BCLC Alumni Highlight
Matt Bradford ’16, ’17 MSA

Recognized as the Elijah Watt Sells Award Recipient For Outstanding Achievement on the CPA Exam & Earned the Top Score out of all Connecticut Candidates

Bradford is one of only 58 CPA candidates, out of 95,800 test takers, who obtained a cumulative score above 95.5 across all four sections of the CPA exam in the national test.

He also earned the top score among the 1,200 CPA candidates in Connecticut, according to the American Institute of CPAs, which just released the results. Bradford received the Institute’s Elijah Watt Sells Award for outstanding performance.

Bradford, who is an assurance associate for PricewaterhouseCoopers in Hartford, is low-key about the recognition, saying he was happy to share the news with his family and co-workers. When he started to study for the CPA exam, he realized how well UConn had prepared him.

“The accounting faculty is great. I couldn’t have done it without them. Every class offered something that was on the CPA exam,” said Bradford, who had a perfect GPA both during his undergraduate and graduate years.

When asked how he achieved that distinction, he was modest. “I don’t really know,” he said. “A combination of luck and some hard work.”

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