



# SDSU Student Accounting Society

## Meeting Minutes: BDO “Public Accounting and Advisory Services”

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### **Presenters:**

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### **Presentation:**

#### **Private or Public:**

- Flex work hours
- Career opportunities in both sectors of work
- Typical work day
  - Private - day-to-day activities, occasional special projects
  - Public - different clients, different activities, different location, dependent upon client

#### **Public Accounting Hierarchy**

- Years 1-3: Learn the work/ do the work
- Years 3-5: manage the work
- Years 5-10: Manage the client/ review work
- Years 10+: sell the work/ review the work

#### **Career Development/ Advancement**

- Mentoring (buddy system)
- Career advising
- Performance development
- My career experience
- Secondment opportunities

#### **BDO Advisory Business Lines**

- Service lines → RAS, BSO, TAS
  - Advisory services are a value added service that can help save money to their clients. SOX testing.
  - Forensic accounting, revenue retrieval

#### **Contract Compliance Overview**

- Royalty audits
- Joint venture audits
- Vendor and suppliers audits
- Construction audits
- External factors and triggers driving interest in contract compliance audits
- Prospect roadblocks questions

## What we're looking for... the next step

### Questions:

When you graduated from SDSU were you accounting?

- Yes

Main difference between working at KPMG and BDO?

- Culture, long hours for both, extremely difficult for both
- The people that I worked with were so important, did not become fun for me anymore and at BDO we tend to work together not amongst each other!

Size of the office in SD?

- 100 people
- Office is in Carmel Valley Valley

Being in Advisory, do you associate with a lot of people from Audit and Tax?

- Yes! Depends on how much interaction you want to have

Other certification for Advisory?

- Yes and No, some need to be CPA but there are different roads and a certain amounts of credits needed (IT auditors).