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With its anticipated inclusion on the 2012 CPA exam, the upcoming convergence of U.S. GAAP (Generally Accepted Accounting Principles) and IFRS (International Financial Reporting Standards) poses a major challenge for accounting instructors. The Wiley Faculty Network (WFN), which has been facilitating virtual peer-to-peer collaboration in the use of Wiley technology products and educational best practices since 2001, was invited by the American Accounting Association to help prepare educators for the convergence, because of both the WFN’s outstanding reputation and the strength of Wiley’s accounting program. The first Wiley Accounting IFRS “Boot Camp” was held in February and April, featuring academic experts’ presentations on key topics and drawing more than 500 virtual attendees from institutions across the U.S.