

COURSE DESCRIPTION AND OUTLINE

Course Inform	nation		
Name	Advanced Accounting		
Code			
Degree	Degree in Management Administration, Law and Business Management		
Year is taught	Fourth E2/E4/E2 Bilingual		
Semester	First		
ECTS credits	5		
Type of course	Elective in the financial curriculum		
Department	Financial Management		
Area	Accounting		
University	Universidad Pontificia Comillas		
Timetable			
Faculty	Francisco Villanueva Pliego		
Descriptor	Advanced Accounting is a course that covers the most important and relevant topics in financial accounting. Financial accounting is regulated by the General Accounting Accepted Principles (GAAP) that are issued by each country. However in recent years two sets of GAAPs have reached relevance as the ones with highest level of quality, the GAAPs issued by the Financial Accounting Standard Board (FASB) and by the International Accounting Standard Board (IASB). This course covers these two sets of regulations. Globalization is a reality in business today and accounting is part of that reality. FASB and IASB are working together to converge these two sets of rules. It is paramount for any individual's success in business to understand the basic concepts used to prepare financial reports. This course provide this knowledge to the student		

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BACKGROUND, GOALS AND SKILLS OF THE COURSE

Course Background

Contribution to the student's profile

The Advanced Accounting class closes the cycle with the purpose to provide a well-rounded financial accounting education.

The course emphasizes financial accounting as an essential tool in the decision making process of the stakeholders of a company. In this regard, the student is introduced to the most complex economical transaction affecting a company and the accounting rules to record those transactions.

Managing financial accounting, either in theory and practice, is fundamental for professional that are related to the business world. Financial accounting is not only a tool in the decision making process but also is known as the business language and not only in financial and accounting circles.

Prerequisites

Introduction to accounting; Financial Accounting; Financial Mathematics and spread sheets.

Skills- Goals

Skills for the course

Operational

- CGI 1: Analysis and synthesis skills
- **CGI 2: Decision making process**
- CGI 8: Acquiring knowledge in computers systems related to the course

Specific skills for the course

By the end of the semester the student should be able to:

Know-how skills

- CEC 01: Explain the theoretical framework that governs financial reporting.
- CEC 02: Explain the basic financial reports: balance sheet, income statement and statement of cash flow.

Practical skills

- CEP 01: Identify, measure and report in the financial statements economic transactions related to assets, liabilities, stockholders' equity and revenue.
- CEP 02: Prepare the basic financial reports: balance sheet, income statement and statement of cash flow.

Professional and ethical skills

CEA 01: Explain the relevance and social role of financial accounting

COURSE CONTENT

Content

Topic 1. Introduction and Background

1. Introduction to Financial Accounting

Overview of Financial Reporting

The Standard-Setting Process

U.S. GAAP and IFRS: Rules versus Principles.

2. Conceptual Framework

Conceptual Framework: IFRS

The Objective of Financial Reporting

The Qualitative Characteristics of Financial Information

Topic 2. Assets and Liabilities

1. Long-term liabilities

Overview of Bonds Payable

Accounting for the Initial and Subsequent Measurement of Bonds Payable

Bond Issue Costs

Early Retirement of Bonds Payable

Convertible Bonds

2. Leasing

Leases: Advantages and Disadvantages

Lease Classification

Accounting for Operating Leases: Lessee and Lessor

Accounting for Capital Leases: Lessee Accounting for Capital Leases: Lessor

3. Accounting for Income Taxes

Introduction

No Differences between Book and Tax Reporting

Permanent Differences between Book and Tax Reporting

Temporary Differences between Book and Tax Reporting

Deferred Tax Assets and Liabilities

4. Accounting for Pensions and Postretirement Benefits

Introduction

Nature of pension plans

Accounting for pensions

Reporting pension plans

5. Investments

Overview of Investments in Debt and Equity

Investments in Debt Securities

Investments in Equity Securities: No Significant Influence Investments in Equity Securities: Significant Influence

Topic 4. Stockholders' equity

1. Stockholders' equity

Overview of Stockholders' Equity

Accounting for Common Stock

Accounting for Share Repurchase Transactions

Accounting for Preferred Stock

Accounting for Retained Earnings

Accounting for Other Comprehensive Income

2. Earnings per Share

Dilutive securities

Computing Earnings per share

Simple capital structure

Complex capital structure

Topic 5. Revenue recognition

Revenue Recognition Overview

Contract Criteria

Overview of Long-Term Contracts

Percentage-of-Completion Method

Completed-Contract Method

Special Issues in Revenue Recognition

Topic 6. Statement of Cash Flow.

Overview of the Statement of Cash Flows

Format of the Cash Flow Statement

Conceptual Model for the Statement of Cash Flows

Operating Cash Flows

The Direct Method

Investing Cash Flows

Financing Cash Flows

TEACHING METHODS AND STRUCTURE

Teaching methods for the class				
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In class methodology and activities	Skills			
The student has to submit a summary handwrite summary, three pages both sides maximum, for each chapter assigned. The summary has to be submitted at the beginning of the class.	Analytical and synthesis skills.			
At the beginning of the class the professor will address the questions students may have on the chapter and highlight the most important topics in each chapter.				
The rest of the class is allocated to solve problems and exercises related to the chapter assigned to the class.				
	Decision making skills.			
Teaching methods and activities outside the classroom sessions	Competences			
The student has to read each chapter before the class the chapter is assigned.	Analytical and synthesis skills.			
Homework are going to be assigned that the student has to submit at the beginning of the class of the day they are due.	Decision making skills.			

ASSESSMENT AND EVALUATION CRITERIA

Activities assessed	Rubric	Weight
Final Exam	Right 60%	
	answers	
Homework	Submission	20%
Quizzes	Right	20%
	answer	

The score for homework, quizzes and summaries is going to be computed as the average of all the chores assigned during the semester.

The continuous evaluation won't be counted toward the extraordinary exam in June. The grade from the June's exam will be the final grade for the course.

Exchange students and those students that are not required to attend (e.g. students taking the course for the second time) will be evaluated with the grade from the final exam only. For students in this case, grades from previous courses are not taking in consideration

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You have to see the schedule of the exams in the website of the class. (Moodle)

SUMMARY OF STUDENT EXPECTED WORKING HOURS

Hours in classroom

Lessons	Practical classes	Case study and problem solving sessions	Assessment			
14	15	20	6			
Hours outside the classroom						
Individual work on theoretical knowledge	Individual work on practical knowledge	Group work	Study			
15	30	0	25			

BIBLIOGRAPHY AND ADDITIONAL SUPPORTING MATERIAL

Bibliography Textbooks

Intermediate Accounting

Kieso, Weygandt and Warfield Fifteenth Edition, 2014

Wiley

Web pages

Resources in the website of ICADE

http://www.icac.meh.es/