



DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND OFFICE ADMINISTRATION

COURSE OUTLINE – FALL 2020

BA1120 A2: Principles of Accounting – 3 (3-0-2) 75 Hours for 15 Weeks

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CALENDAR DESCRIPTION:

The course provides further examination of accounting procedures and their underlying concepts and principles. Additional standards and problems of valuation, income measurement, and disclosure in financial statements are introduced.

PREREQUISITE(S)/COREQUISITE:

BA 1110 or equivalent.

REQUIRED TEXT/RESOURCE MATERIALS:

Larson, K.; Jensen, T., Dieckmann, H., **Fundamental Accounting Principles, Volume 2**, Sixteenth Canadian Edition, McGraw-Hill Ryerson, 2019. ISBN10: 126030583X | ISBN13: 9781260305838. This ISBN includes the **Connect** online learning system. The Connect online learning system is a **requirement** for this course. **The text will be used extensively in each class for this course.**

DELIVERY MODE(S):

Remote Delivery. This course is delivered remotely. Remote delivery is synchronous and follows the published timetable. There are no face-to-face or onsite requirements. Students must have a computer with a webcam and reliable internet connection. Technological support is available through helpdesk@gprc.ab.ca.

For each topic listed, there will be a Zoom lecture/discussion and a demonstration of related accounting procedures. I will assign relevant textbook readings and problems and test your knowledge, understanding and application of the material. This is a 3 credit course with 3 lecture hours and 2 lab hours per week. The allocation is at the instructor's sole discretion, i.e., Thursday will not be solely lab time. You will supplement your studying with Connect. Assignments will be completed on Connect. Important information, announcements and grades will be posted on myClass. The grades posted on myClass are not final. Check your GPRC account for your final term grade.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

The following objectives will be covered in this course:

- Current Liabilities
- Partnerships
- Organization and Operation of Corporations
- Corporate Reporting: Profit, Earnings per share, and Retained Earnings
- Bonds and Long-term notes payable
- Accounting for Debt and Share Investments
- Reporting and Analyzing Cash Flows
- Analyzing Financial Statements
- Payroll Liabilities

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Upon completion of this course the student will be able to:

- Describe the characteristics of liabilities and contrast current and long-term liabilities.
- Prepare entries to account for known and estimated liabilities.
- Identify the characteristics of partnerships. Prepare entries for the formation of a partnership, the allocation of partnership income or loss, the admission or withdrawal of a partner, and the liquidation of a partnership.
- Identify the characteristics of corporations. Describe and contrast the specialized components of corporate financial statements. Account for the organization and operations of corporations including recording the issuance of shares, cash and share dividends, share splits and retirement of shares.
- Explain the form and content of a corporate income statement with continuing and discontinued operations, comprehensive income and earnings per share.
- Prepare entries for long-term notes payable and the issuance and retirement of bonds payable.
- Identify and describe the investment classifications. Account for and report non-strategic investments and investments in associates.
- Describe and prepare a statement of cash flows using the indirect method.
- Explain and apply methods of financial statement analysis including horizontal, vertical and ratio analysis.
- Make calculations necessary to prepare a Payroll Register and prepare entries to record and pay payroll. Calculate payroll costs levied on employers and prepare the entries to record the accrual and payment of these amounts.

TRANSFERABILITY:

Athabasca University

MacEwan University

SAIT

University of Alberta

University of Lethbridge

Other (transfers in combination with other courses or to other institutions)

***Warning:** Although we strive to make the transferability information in this document up-to-date and accurate, **the student has the final responsibility for ensuring the transferability of this course to Alberta Colleges and Universities.** Please consult the Alberta Transfer Guide for more information. You may check to ensure the transferability of this course at Alberta Transfer Guide main page <http://www.transferralberta.ca> or, if you do not want to navigate through few links, at <http://alis.alberta.ca/ps/tsp/ta/tbi/onlineSearch.html?SearchMode=S&step=2>

** Note that, in many cases, BA1110 and BA1120 **together** are required for transferability. Grade of D or D+ may not be acceptable for transfer to other post-secondary institutions. **Students are cautioned that it is their responsibility to contact the receiving institutions to ensure transferability.**

EVALUATIONS:

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| Assignments | 15% |
| Quizzes (2 at 5% each) | 10% |
| Term Test #1 | 20% |
| Term Test #2 | 20% |
| Final Exam | <u>35%</u> |
| Total | <u>100%</u> |

ASSIGNMENT, QUIZ, TEST AND EXAM POLICIES:

- Assignments must be submitted by the due date. Late assignments will not be accepted and will receive a grade of zero.
- Quizzes will be given throughout the semester. It is anticipated that there will be two quizzes, however; this may change at the discretion of the instructor. Scheduling for quizzes will take place as the course progresses and you will be given ample, advanced notice of these dates.
- Major tests will be given throughout the semester and are tentatively scheduled for October 1 and October 29, 2020. Unexcused absences during a test will earn a grade of zero. For excused absences, the weighting of the test may be transferred to the final exam at the instructor's discretion. No re-writes will be granted for missed exams or unsuccessful attempts.
- Calculators and approved translation devices are the only electronic devices allowed during quizzes, major tests or the final exam. **Cell phone calculators may not be used in examinations.**

- Final exams will be written as scheduled by the Registrar during the exam period from December 11-19, 2020. **Do not plan activities or trips during this period.** Re-writes for the final exam will not be granted, and any unexcused absences will earn a grade of zero.

GRADING CRITERIA:

Please note that most universities will not accept your course for transfer credit **IF** your grade is **less than C-**.

| Alpha Grade | 4-point Equivalent | Percentage Guidelines | | Alpha Grade | 4-point Equivalent | Percentage Guidelines |
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| A+ | 4.0 | 90-100 | | C+ | 2.3 | 67-69 |
| A | 4.0 | 85-89 | | C | 2.0 | 63-66 |
| A- | 3.7 | 80-84 | | C- | 1.7 | 60-62 |
| B+ | 3.3 | 77-79 | | D+ | 1.3 | 55-59 |
| B | 3.0 | 73-76 | | D | 1.0 | 50-54 |
| B- | 2.7 | 70-72 | | F | 0.0 | 00-49 |

COURSE SCHEDULE/TENTATIVE TIMELINE:

| Week Beginning | Topic | Required Reading |
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| August 31 | Current Liabilities | Chapter 10 |
| September 7 | Partnerships | Chapter 11 |
| September 14 | Organizing Corporations | Chapter 12 |
| September 21 | Corporate Reporting | Chapter 13 |
| September 28 | Corporate Reporting | Chapter 13 |
| October 1 | Term Test #1 (20%) | Chapter 10 - 13 |
| October 5 | Bonds and Long-Term Notes | Chapter 14 |
| October 12 | <i>Fall Break</i> | |
| October 19 | Accounting for Debt and Share Investments | Chapter 15 |
| October 26 | Accounting for Debt and Share Investments | Chapter 15 |
| October 29 | Term Test #2 (20%) | Chapter 14 - 15 |
| November 2 | Reporting and Analyzing Cash Flows | Chapter 16 |
| November 9 | Reporting and Analyzing Cash Flows | Chapter 16 |
| November 16 | Analyzing Financial Statements | Chapter 17 |
| November 23 | Analyzing Financial Statements | Chapter 17 |
| November 30 | Payroll Liabilities | Appendix 1 |
| December 7 | Payroll Liabilities | Appendix 1 |
| December 11 – 19 | COMPREHENSIVE FINAL EXAM | Chapters 10 – 17 & Appendix 1 |

*Course schedule is tentative and may vary slightly at the discretion of the instructor.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

Attendance:

Students are expected to attend all virtual lectures, arrive on time, and remain for the duration of the activities. Students with absences in excess of 6 classes may be refused permission to write the final exam. For more information, please refer to the Academic Regulations on Debarred from Exams at <https://www.gprc.ab.ca/programs/grading-systems.html>.

Time Management:

The expectation for this course is that students read the material and attempt the exercises prior to class. Adopting and adhering to effective learning habits in this course will likely take up a great deal of time so students are encouraged to plan their schedule accordingly. It is difficult for students to catch up once they fall behind schedule.

Recording:

Recording lectures or taking screen shots in class is prohibited unless advance permission is obtained from the instructor and any guest presenter(s). In the event permission is granted, such recordings may only be used for individual study, and may not be reproduced, transferred, distributed or displayed in any public manner.

STATEMENT ON PLAGIARISM AND CHEATING:

Cheating and plagiarism will not be tolerated and there will be penalties. For a more precise definition of plagiarism and its consequences, refer to the Student Conduct section of the College Admission Guide at <http://www.gprc.ab.ca/programs/calendar/> or the College Policy on Student Misconduct: Plagiarism and Cheating at <http://www.gprc.ab.ca/about/administration/policies/>

****Note:** all Academic and Administrative policies are available on the same page.

Plagiarism:

Plagiarism means submitting work (words, ideas, images, or data) in a course as if it were their own work done expressly for that particular course when, in fact, it is not. Most commonly, plagiarism exists when:

- the work submitted or presented was done, in whole or in part, by an individual other than the student (this includes having another person impersonate the student or otherwise substitute the work of another for their own in an assignment, examination, or test)
- Parts of a student's work are taken from another source without reference to the original author. This includes ideas, words, and images appearing in print, digital, graphical, internet, audio and video formats
- students submit or present the work in one course which has also been submitted in another course (although it may be completely original with the student) without the prior agreement of the instructor
- Clinical or laboratory reports are falsified or fabricated.

While it is recognized that academic work often involves reference to ideas, data and conclusions of others, intellectual honesty requires that such references be explicitly and clearly noted.

Instructors may choose to use online plagiarism detection services. When students submit a paper, it is understood that they are consenting to such a procedure and that they cannot claim any copyright violation should such paper be uploaded to an online plagiarism detection database.

Cheating:

Cheating on tests or examinations includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- dishonest or attempted dishonest conduct such as **speaking to other students or communicating with them under any circumstances whatsoever**
- bringing into the examination room a textbook, notebook, memorandum, other written material or mechanical or electronic device not authorized by the examiner or instructor
- writing an examination, or part of it, outside the confines of the examination room without permission to do so
- consulting any person or materials outside the confines of the examination room without permission to do so
- leaving answer papers exposed to view, or any attempts to read other students' examination papers
- tampering or attempts to tamper with examination scripts, class work, grades and/or class records; the acquisition, attempted acquisition, possession, and/or distribution of examination materials or information not authorized by the instructor
- Impersonation of another student in an examination or other class assignment.
- **Absolutely no examination materials may be removed from the examination room.** All papers, answer forms and examination question sheets must be returned to the instructor. If students leave the examination room for any reason unacceptable to the instructor, they must hand in all examination materials and it will be assumed that the examination is completed.

If students voluntarily and consciously aid another student in the commission of one of these offenses, they are also guilty of misconduct. Any attempt to commit academic misconduct will bear the same consequences as if the act occurred. A student who assists another student in an act or attempted act of misconduct will also be considered to have committed an offense.

Please note, working in study groups is an efficient and effective way for students to learn, however; each student must submit his/her own original work. Duplication of one assignment for the whole group is considered plagiarism and will result in a grade of zero for all students involved.