

Course #: ACCT 4100-01	Instructor: Todd R. Hess, CPA, MAcc
Course Title: Auditing I - 23641	Office: Room 133, Udvar-Hazy Bldg.
Credit Hours: 3 semester hours	Phone: 435-879-4343 / 435-231-4403 (cell)
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Term: Spring 2012	and by appointment

REQUIRED TEXT:

Auditing and Assurance Services – 14th Edition – Arens/Elder/Beasley

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Study of auditing standards, internal accounting, control systems, compliance and substantive audit procedures applied to accounts and transaction cycles, and audit reports. Review of the auditing concepts of materiality and risk, types of evidence and documentation, and an introduction to the ethical and legal responsibilities of the Certified Public Accountant.

Prerequisites: ACCT 3020 and advanced standing in the business baccalaureate program. For those students pursuing a MAcc degree, Auditing II is a course requirement for most graduate programs.

COURSE OBJECTIVES: *Students successfully completing this course will be able to:*

- (1) Describe auditing and assurance services and distinguish audit services from other assurance and non-assurance services provided by CPA's.
- (2) Describe the nature of CPA firms and the role of the PCAOB and SEC, along with the effects of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act on the CPA profession.
- (3) Describe the parts of the standard unqualified audit report and the conditions required to issue the standard unqualified audit report. Identify the types of audit reports that can be issued when an unqualified opinion is not justified.
- (4) Explain the importance of ethical conduct in the accounting profession. Distinguish ethical from unethical behavior in personal and professional contexts. Describe the enforcement mechanisms.
- (5) Understand the litigious environment in which CPA's practice. Describe what the profession and the individual CPA can do, and what is being done to reduce the threat of litigation.
- (6) Explain the objectives of conducting an audit. Distinguish management's responsibility for the financial statements and internal control from the auditor's responsibility for verifying the financial statements and effectiveness of internal control.
- (7) Contrast audit evidence with evidence used by other professions. Understand the purposes of audit documentation and describe how technology affects audit evidence and audit documentation.
- (8) Assess client business risk and discuss why adequate audit planning is essential. Understand the purposes of analytical procedures and the timing of each purpose.
- (9) Discuss how materiality and risk are related and integrated into the audit process.
- (10) Describe the three primary objectives of effective internal control. Understand the process of evaluating, designing, performing and reporting tests of internal control.
- (11) Design and perform the steps in the evidence-accumulation segment of the audit, and integrate the audit evidence gathered and evaluate the overall audit results.
- (12) Understand the level of assurance and evidence requirements for review and compilation services.

TEXT READING:

Reading the text is crucial for understanding the concepts presented in this course. You are expected to read the chapters that will be discussed in class **prior** to the lecture. I present the lectures under the assumption that you have already read the assigned material. **Exam questions will be taken from a test bank of questions related to the material covered in the text.**

LECTURES/DISCUSSIONS:

Lectures and discussions will be offered for each chapter assigned in the “Schedule & Assignments” section of the syllabus. The lectures and discussions serve to review the subject matter briefly and to bring real-time application and experience into the class. The goal is to extend the class beyond the reading and into the current profession. **Lectures will evolve into discussions and your participation is expected!**

QUIZZES:

As listed in the “Schedule & Assignments” section of the syllabus, quizzes consisting of CPA exam questions will be administered throughout the semester. These multiple choice questions are compiled from actual previous CPA exams. The questions for each quiz will be given to you at least one class session in advance of the quiz. As such, students may use whatever research means necessary (in addition to the text) to study for each quiz. Quizzes will be closed book and individual effort. Quizzes will be graded and discussed in class as part of that day’s lecture. **The two lowest quiz scores will be dropped from your final grade.**

CASE AND GROUP ASSIGNMENTS:

In addition to performing the required reading and CPA exam questions, cases are an effective means of keeping you sharp, giving you real-world application skills and preparing you for the upcoming exams. There will be cases assigned during the semester, three of which must be completed in teams. Team assignments will be made randomly. Additional instructions for the case may be provided at the time each case is assigned. Only one copy of the case responses or work papers will need to be handed in. All cases must be presented in a professional type-written manner; format, organization, accuracy, and completeness are all considered during the grading process. **Late case assignments and hand-written assignments will NOT be accepted!** Case scores will consist of instructor, team, and self evaluations (see teamwork rubric).

EXAMS:

Four exams are scheduled during this semester. Each exam will consist of two parts: 1. a multiple choice and true or false portion that will be taken in the testing center or in class as shown on the “Schedule & Assignments” page; 2. a take-home portion consisting of written problems and simulation questions that must be completed and submitted via Canvas as shown on the “Schedule & Assignments” page. You will be required to provide your own scantron during testing. The multiple choice and true or false portion of the final exam will be taken in the classroom and will be timed. **All exams will be open book, open notes BUT individual effort.** Any form of cheating may result in a Failing grade for the course. If you will be unable to take an exam during the scheduled time, please make arrangements to take the exam at an **earlier** date. **No Late Exams will be allowed!**

PARTICIPATION/PROFESSIONALISM/CLASS ATTENDANCE:

This is your education. Take ownership of your investment by contributing in a positive manner in class discussions and lectures. Participation shows the instructor your concern for the subject matter and will directly affect your overall grade in this class. Disruptive or disrespectful behavior will cause students to lose all participation points. If a student does not show respect, maturity and professionalism in the classroom environment, he or she will most likely struggle in a post-academic environment. In addition, students who are tardy, inattentive or experience excessive absences will not receive full credit in this area.

Problems and cases may be used from time to time to enhance learning in the classroom and provide real-world experience with various audit issues. Your participation in and completion of the problems and cases will affect the number of participation points earned for that day.

GRADING:

Grading is not on a curve. Your grade will be based on the percentage of total points you earn. **There are NO grade improvement projects available in this class!**

Exams	500 Points	A	95.0 - 100%	C	73.0 - 76.9%
Quizzes	100 Points	A-	90.0 - 94.9%	C-	70.0 - 72.9%
Cases and Assignments	350 Points	B+	87.0 - 89.9%	D+	67.0 - 69.9%
Participation/Professionalism, etc.	<u>50 Points</u>	B	83.0 - 86.9%	D	63.0 - 66.9%
Total Points	1000 Points	B-	80.0 - 82.9%	D-	60.0 - 62.9%
		C+	77.0 - 79.9%	F	below 60.0%

Note: All points are approximate and may change at the discretion of the instructor!

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY:

The Accounting profession is well known for a reputation of honesty, integrity, and high ethical standards. As a result, scholastic dishonesty will not be tolerated and will be prosecuted to the fullest extent. Students are expected to have read and understand the current issue of the student handbook (published by Student Services) regarding student responsibilities and rights, and the intellectual property policy, for information and procedures about what constitutes acceptable on-campus behavior (See DSC Policy Links listed below).

DISABILITY STATEMENT:

Students with medical, psychological, learning or other disabilities desiring reasonable academic adjustment, accommodations, or auxiliary aids to be successful in this class will need to contact the DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER Coordinator (Baako Wahabu) for eligibility determination. Proper documentation of impairment is required in order to receive services or accommodations. DRC is located at the ground floor of the Financial Aid Office. Visit or call 652-7516 to schedule appointment to discuss the process. DRC Coordinator determines eligibility for and authorizes the provision of services.

Dmail NOTICE:

You are required to frequently check your dmail account. Important class and college information will be sent to your dmail account, including DSC bills, financial aid/scholarship notices, notices of cancelled classes, reminders of important dates and deadlines, and other information critical to your success at DSC and in your courses. If you do not know how to access your dmail account, go to www.dixie.edu and click on "Log in to student services".

DSC POLICY LINKS:

Reference to "Policy for Absences Related to College Functions":

<http://www.dixie.edu/humanres/policy/sec5/523.html>

Disruptive behavior policy / classroom expectations:

<http://www.dixie.edu/humanres/policy/sec3/334.html>

Academic dishonesty / Academic integrity policy:

<http://www.dixie.edu/humanres/policy/sec3/334.html>

RESOURCES:

Available Resources: Library, Computer Lab, Writing Center, Testing Center, and Tutoring Center statements and links (as appropriate)

Library – <http://library.dixie.edu>

Computer Labs – located in the basement of the library. The Smith Computer Center, and the Hazy Building room 200.

Writing Center – http://new.dixie.edu/english/dsc_writing_center.php

Testing Center – <http://new.dixie.edu/testing>

Tutoring Center – <http://dsc.dixie.edu/tutoring/>



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