

ACCOUNTING 252
Financial Accounting
Fall 2008

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8am – 9am TTh
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Materials:	
Purchases Required:	Financial Accounting (4 th edition), Kimmel, Weygandt, and Kieso Scantron forms 882-ES, one per exam
Other Resources:	Free tutoring and access to the answer book (with completed homework in hand) in the Accounting Tutorial Lab in Guthrie 305A. Hours TBA.

Course Objective: To introduce students to the basic concepts of financial accounting. Financial accounting statements are prepared mainly for investors, creditors and other interested external users. The main emphasis of this course will be on teaching the student to use accounting information. The course will provide enough knowledge of accounting to enable a person to use financial statements to assess a company's financial strengths and weaknesses.

At the end of the course students should be able to

1. List the purpose of the four required financial statements
2. Create a balance sheet, income statement and retained earnings statement .
3. Define assets, liabilities, stockholders' equity, revenues and expenses
4. State the accounting equation and illustrate how changes affect it
5. Explain the difference between cash and accrual bases of accounting
6. Prepare basic journal entries
7. Prepare adjusting entries
8. Compute and analyze basic ratios

Attendance: You can adequately learn the course content **only** if you attend class. Material on tests will emphasis items discussed in class and/or covered on quizzes and homework. You are responsible for all material covered in class, handouts, and all announcements made in your absence. The instructor will not automatically drop anyone attending at least one class prior to the drop date.

Study: The nature of the material covered requires that you study before each class session. Studying the material thoroughly by rereading, taking notes, and working through computations is essential. It is important to relate illustrations to the written material in your book. You should remember that your grade will be based upon your ability to DO accounting rather than on your ability to follow along as someone else does it.

Grading:

Regular Exams (3 @ 100)	300
Final Exam (200 points)	200
Chapter Quizzes (Average for 12)	<u>100</u>
Total Points	600

Grades are guaranteed according to the following scale:

A: 90% and above, B: 80-89%, C: 70-79%, D: 60-69%, F: below 60%

A grade of "C" or better must be earned to qualify as satisfactory performance on an S/U option for undergraduates. Graduate students must earn a grade of "B" or better to qualify as satisfactory performance under an S/U option.

There will be NO extra credit projects available to individual students.

Exams: There will be three regular exams and a final. The exams will be based upon text material, homework assignments and class discussion and will consist of multiple choice questions, matching and problems. Each exam will be worth 100 points. The final will be comprehensive and will be worth 200 points. For regular excused absences, the student has the option of taking a scheduled exam early. An absence can only be considered excused if it meets university guidelines and the student has informed the instructor of his/her absence prior to the exam. For students who are participating in university activities, a letter from the sponsoring department must be provided a week prior to the activity. These students will have the additional option of taking a makeup exam during finals week at an agreed upon time.

Quizzes: A Chapter Quiz will be assigned at the end of coverage of each chapter. There will be 12 chapter quizzes during the semester. Quizzes must be turned in on the due date at the time they are collected by the instructor (typically at the beginning of class). Quizzes not collected by the instructor in class at that time will be considered late **and will not be accepted** for a grade. At the end of the semester your average for the quizzes will be calculated based on 12 quizzes. Not handing in an assigned quiz will hurt your quiz average.

Calculators: Calculators will be provided by the department for test taking purposes. You will not be allowed to use your own calculator when taking tests.

Dishonesty: Cheating on exams, or other serious forms of academic dishonesty will result in a grade of "F" (and a required report to university officials). Anyone taking a copy of a test out of the classroom without permission is subject to a grade of "0" on that exam.

Incomplete ("I" grade): You should be aware of the Incomplete Grade policy. The grade of "I" will only be assigned according to the guidelines in the 2006 Undergraduate Catalog.

Academic Appeals Rules: Details of the rules appear in the 2006 catalog. A student must initiate the academic appeals process by submitting a written appeal to the faculty member within 30 days of the start of the term following the term in which the grievance occurred.

Students With Disabilities: If you have or believe you have a disability and would benefit from any accommodations, you may wish to self-identify by contacting the Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD) Office located in Garcia Annex (phone: 646-6840). If you have already

registered, please make sure that your instructor receives a copy of the accommodation memorandum from SSD within the first two weeks of classes. It is your responsibility to inform either your instructor or SSD representative in a timely manner if services/accommodations provided are not meeting your needs.

Feel free to call Jerry Nevarez, Director of Institutional Equity, at 505-646-3635 with any questions you may have about NMSU's Non-Discrimination Policy and complaints of discrimination, including sexual harassment.

Feel free to call Michael Armendariz, Coordinator of Services for Students with Disabilities, at 505-646-6840 with any questions you may have on student issues related to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and/or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. All medical information will be treated confidentially.

Reminders: The last day to drop a course with a “W” is October 15. The last day to withdraw from the University is November 14.

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Tentative Assignment Schedule

DAY	DATE	READING	HW SO	TOPIC	HOMEWORK
TH	8/21			Introduction	
T	8/26	CH 1	1-5	Intro to Fin Stmts	E1-3, E1-4, E1-6, E1-10, E1-11
TH	8/28		6	Intro to Fin Stmts	E1-8, E1-14, BYP 1-2
T	9/2	CH 2	1-3	Further Look at Fin Stmts	BE2-3, BE2-4, BE 2-5, E2-1
TH	9/4		4-7	Further Look at Fin Stmts	E2-3, E2-4, P2-6A, BYP 2-1, BYP 2-2
T	9/9	CH 3	1-5	Acct Info Systems	E3-1, E3-3, E3-4, E3-5, E3-7, P3-1A
TH	9/11		6-8	Acct Info Systems	E3-8, E3-9, E3-11, P3-2A, P3-4A
T	9/16			No class	
TH	9/18				
T	9/23			TEST I	
TH	9/25	CH 4	1-5	Accrual Acct Concepts	E4-2, E4-5, E4-9, E4-10
T	9/30		6-8	Accrual Acct Concepts	E4-15, E4-16, P4-3A, BYP 4-1
TH	10/2	CH 5	1-3	Merchandising	E5-2, E5-3
T	10/7		4-6	Merchandising	E5-4, E5-8, E5-10, P5-6A
TH	10/9	CH 6	1,2	Inventory	E6-2, E6-4, E6-6
T	10/14		3-6	Inventory	E6-7, E6-8, P6-2A

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DAY	DATE	READING	HW SO	TOPIC	HOMEWORK	QUIZ
TH	10/16	CH 7	1-6	Internal Control and Cash	E7-2, E7-3, E7-7, E7-8	CH 7
T	10/21			TEST II		
TH	10/23	CH 8	1-3	Receivables	E8-1, E8-6, BYP 8-9	CH 8
T	10/28		4-8	Receivables	E8-8, P8-2A, P8-3A	
TH	10/30	CH 9	1-4	Long-Lived Assets	E9-1, E9-2, E9-3, E9-4, P9-1A	CH 9
T	11/4		5-8	Long-Lived Assets	E9-6, P9-4A, P9-6A, BYP 9-1	
TH	11/6	CH 10	1-5	Liabilities	E10-1, E10-6	CH 10
T	11/11		6,7	Liabilities	E10-9, E10-11, E10-15, P10-1A	
TH	11/13			TEST III		
T	11/18	CH 11	1-5	Stockholders' Equity	E11-1, E11-5, E11-6	CH 11
TH	11/20		6-8	Stockholders' Equity	E11-4, E11-10, P11-4A	
T	11/25			THANKSGIVING		
TH	11/27			THANKSGIVING		
T	12/2	CH 12	1,2,5	Statement of Cash Flows	E12-1, E12-2, BYP12-1 (a-c, e-g)	CH 13
TH	12/4	CH 13	1-5	Financial Analysis	E13-1, E13-5	
				FINAL EXAM	TUESDAY, DEC 9th 3:30-5:30pm Location TBA	