Dakota College at Course Syllabus

Course Prefix/Number/Title: ACCT 200 – Elements of Accounting I

Credits: 3

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Textbook(s):

Fundamental Accounting Principles, 21st Edition

Author(s): Wild, John; Shaw, Ken; Chiappetta, Barbara

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Course Description:

This course is a study of accounting, beginning with the basics of the accounting cycle. Students will be working with the double-entry system of accounting to gain the foundation necessary to move to special topics and other business applications.

Course Objectives:

Students will be able to:

- 1. Identify the activities within the following cycles and make appropriate journal entries related to the cycle's financial transactions:
 - a. Revenue
 - b. Expenditures
- 2. Understand the theory of debits and credits and apply accounting theory to business transactions.
- 3. Examine the conceptual framework of accounting under generally accepted accounting principles
- 4. Define the function of accounting.
- 5. Interpret and use information provided by financial accounting systems in making business decisions
- 6. Explain the purpose and use of financial statements and identify users of financial information
- 7. Prepare financial statement for service businesses and communicate financial accounting information
- 8. Evaluate accounting events and transactions and record events utilizing the accounting cycle.
- 9. Prepare and adjust necessary adjusting and closing entries
- 10. Prepare a trail balance
- 11. Prepare financial statements.
- 12. Prepare a post-closing trial balance

- 13. Prepare general and subsidiary ledgers
- 14. Explain internal controls and discuss internal controls in business
- 15. Establish and prepare entries for petty cash accounting an perform bank reconciliations
- 16. Compute and journalize interest on notes receivable
- 17. Apply and evaluate accounting and valuation methods to both periodic and perpetual inventory systems.
- 18. Account for capitalization, depreciations (amortization or depletion), and the disposal of fixed assets.
- 19. Differentiate between revenue and capital expenditures
- 20. Record current liability transactions, including payroll/calculate payroll and payroll deductions
- 21. Record entries for bad debts expense and allowance for doubtful accounts, including adjusting entries and write-off entries
- 22. Prepare income statements by department
- 23. Determine interest calculations and maturity dates on notes receivable and payable
- 24. Discount and record interest bearing notes
- 25. Calculate depreciation using different methods

General Education Goals, Objectives, and skills

- Goal 2: Demonstrates knowledge and application of technology
- Objective 1: Completes an assignment using an appropriate application software
 - Skill 1: Creates, edits, and formats a word processing document
 - Skill 2: Creates, edits, and formats a spreadsheet application
 - Skill 3: Creates edits, and formats a slide show presentation
 - Skill 4: Conducts Internet research
 - Skill 5: Demonstrates the ability to send and receive e-mail
- Objective 2: Uses electronic resources for course related assignments and information
 - Skill 1: Selects appropriate electronic resources
 - Skill 2: Recognizes differences in Internet resources based on address extensions
 - Skill 3: Identifies proper academic library search engines
 - Skill 4: Evaluates quality/value of web-based information
- Objective 3: Selects and uses appropriate instrumentation and understands principles
 - Skill 1: Calibrates instruments
 - Skill 2: Troubleshoots instruments
 - Skill 3: Demonstrates appropriate handling and safety of equipment
 - Skill 4: Follows proper protocol
- Objective 4: Employs problem solving and critical thinking skills in order to solve a variety of different problems
 - Skill 1: Locates, evaluates, and applies research information
 - Skill 2: Analyzes information to determine its validity
 - Skill 3: Draws conclusions from information collected
- Objective 2: Applies practical application of mathematics to everyday life
 - Skill 1: Constructs tables, charts, graphs based on data
- **Goal 3:** Demonstrates the ability to convert, calculate, and analyze a variety of mathematical problems
 - Skill 2: Defines and demonstrates the use of decimals, percentages, and fractions
 - Skill 3: Solves word problems

- Skill 4: Applies mathematical knowledge in personal life, such as keeping track of a checkbook, identifying rates of interest, etc.
- Objective 3: Employs problem solving and critical thinking skills in order to solve a variety of different problems
 - Skill 2: Analyzes materials to determine their validity
 - Skill 3: Draws conclusions from information collected

Goal 4: Demonstrates effective communication

- Objective 2: Reads at a level that allows participation in collegiate studies and chosen careers
 - Skill 5: Assimilates and connects information and ideas from multiple written sources
- Objective 3: Uses information resources effectively
 - Skill 1: Finds, consults, and uses a variety of information resources
 - Skill 2: Evaluates the relevance and reliability of sources
 - Skill 3: Uses information resources ethically and honestly, preserving the meaning of the source and documenting the use of the source in the style appropriate for the student's discipline or field
 - Skill 4: Integrates source material smoothly and clearly into the student's own text

Course Requirements:

*See "Classroom Policies"

Relationship to Campus Theme:

This course uses technology as it relates to accounting with the use of Connect Accounting.

Classroom Policies:

<u>Attendance:</u> You are responsible for regularly logging in to the Moodle site and Connect Accounting to complete assignments and retrieve course information. Any due dates given for assignments will be strictly followed. Late assignments will receive 0 credit unless arrangements have been made with The instructor.

<u>Assignments:</u> Assignments are visible on the Moodle site. Follow the instructions on the Moodle site. For homework assignments, quizzes, and tests, the instructions direct you to the Connect Accounting site. Discussion questions are completed on the Moodle site.

<u>Method of Instruction</u>: Students are expected to follow the instructions on the Moodle site which includes reading the textbook, completing assignments and using the study aids available in Connect Accounting. Example problems will be provided for each chapter. If you need additional help, contact the instructor via email, phone, or Skype.

Grading Procedure:

		Points			
Tests & Quizzes		385	38.5%		
Discussion Questions		65	6.5%		
Homework	_	550	55.0%		
Total Points	<u>-</u>	1,000			
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Extra Credit		110			
			Points		
Biography			10		
Discussion questions 11 @ 5 points each			55		
Homework 11 @ 10 points each			550		
Quizzes 11 @ 10 points each			110		
4 Tests			275		
		<u>-</u>	1,000		
Grading Standards:					
A=100-90%	B=89-80%	C=79-7	0% D:	=69-60%	F=Below 60%

Course Outline:

The following schedule is tentative and may be changed throughout the course. Changes will be communicated through the Moodle site. Please refer to due dates in Connect Accounting.

Chapter 1	8/28/2013 -	9/5/2013
Chapter 2	9/6/2013 -	9/17/2013
Chapter 3	9/18/2013 -	9/26/2013
Chapter 4	9/27/2013 -	10/8/2013
Chapter 5	10/9/2013 -	10/17/2013
Chapter 6	10/18/2013 -	10/29/2013
Chapter 7	10/30/2013 -	11/7/2013
Chapter 8	11/8/2013 -	11/17/2013
Chapter 9	11/18/2013 -	11/26/2013
Chapter 10	11/27/2013 -	12/5/2013
Chapter 11	12/6/2013 -	12/15/2013

Academic Integrity:

There will be zero tolerance of any form of academic dishonesty. If any evidence appears of students not doing their own work, plagiarism, or outright cheating on exams the matter will be investigated. If it is concluded that such dishonesty occurred, the student in question will receive an automatic "F" for the course. The matter will be reported to the appropriate university office and the instructor will participate in any proceeding against the guilty party.

Disabilities and Special Needs:

Any student with special needs should notify the instructor during the first week of class to make the proper arrangement to handle these needs.