

Texas A & M University-Commerce
College of Business and Entrepreneurship
Department of Accounting
Class Policies, Objectives, and Schedule for the Second Summer Term, 2014
ACCT 501 – 01W (50629)
Accounting for Managers

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Welcome to ACCT 501, Accounting for Managers, where we will learn to use accounting methods to help managers make decisions and control others. Please read and understand our class policies, objectives, and schedule, and call or email with questions.

Office Hours: Monday through Thursday from 10 am to noon at BA 123, Saturday by appointment at UCD 301, and other times by appointment. Please visit, call or email with questions, comments, or concerns.

Class times: Our class will meet online, in eCollege, from July 7 to August 7, 2014. We will meet in eCollege “ClassLive” on Wednesday nights at 9 pm on July 9, July 16, July 23, July 30, and August 6. Classes will be recorded. Attendance is not a factor in your grade. “ClassLive” may be found in the “Tools” menu at the top of our eCollege page.

Textbook: Accounting for Managers: ACCT 501, ISBN: 9781305283008. The textbook is a customized version (15 chapters) of following book: Cornerstones of Financial and Managerial Accounting, 2nd Edition Jay Rich; Jeff Jones; Dan L. Heitger; Maryanne Mowen; Don Hansen ISBN-10: 0-538-47348-7 ISBN-13: 978-0-538-47348-4.

Access Code and Textbook: Access (using CengageNOW access code) to CengageBrain.com is required since homework, which determines part of your grade, is managed on CengageBrain.com. On the Cengage page: our course name is Accounting for Managers; our course number is ACCT 501 – 01W (50269); and the course key is E-TWQN2H9J94PKZ.

Course Description: ACCT 501 is a study of the accounting concepts and procedures used by managers in making decisions. The focus in the course will be on users, not preparers, of accounting and management information.

Course Embedded Assessment Objectives: After taking this class, you should be able to: (1) understand the role of accountants and auditors in corporate governance and decision making; (2) provide information to outsiders of corporations to help them make decisions; and, (3) provide information to managers of corporations to help them make decisions and control other managers and employees.

Grading Policy: Course grades will be based upon five tests (100 points each) and four homework assignments (25 points each). Grades will be determined by converting each student’s points out of a

possible 500 into a percentage and then applying the following ranges: A: 90% or above; B: 80% to 89%; C: 70% to 79%; D: 60% to 69%; and F: below 60%.

Student Responsibilities: You are required to: (1) Check eCollege frequently for announcements and other information.; (2) Read assigned material listed on the course schedule, and work additional problems to gain mastery over the material and prepare for exams.; (3) Prepare for, and take, scheduled quizzes and exams; and, (4) Contact me about any questions or issues *when they arise*. It's much easier to help and work out a solution early-on, than later when it may be too late. Please visit, call, or email with questions, comments, or concerns.

Email and Phone Policy: Please include the course number and section number in the subject line of the email message. If you need to contact me, email is the best method as it is the "preferred method of communication" of our university. Do not hesitate to call with questions, and leave a message if I do not answer. Our class only last five weeks: you do not have time to be shy.

Student with disabilities: If you have a disability requiring an accommodation, please contact the Office of Student Disability Resources and Services, Gee Library 132, Phone (903) 886-5150 or (903) 886-5835 Fax (903) 468-8148. Their email address is StudentDisabilityServices@tamuc.edu.

Student Conduct: All students enrolled at the University shall follow the tenets of common decency and acceptable behavior conducive to a positive learning environment. (See Code of Student Conduct from Student Guide Handbook). Integrity is the hallmark of the accounting profession and will be stressed throughout the course. Any type of student breach of ethics, including but not limited to: illegal activity, dishonest conduct, cheating, plagiarism, or collusion, will result in failure of assignment or exam (F) and/or further academic sanction (i.e. failure of course (F), dismissal from class and/or referral to Dean of the College of Business and Technology).

ACADEMIC HONESTY POLICY: The College of Business and Entrepreneurship at Texas A & M University-Commerce will strive to be recognized as a community with legal, ethical, and moral principles and to practice professionalism in all that we do. Failure to abide by these principles will result in sanctions up to and including dismissal. Activities that will bring sanctions include: (1) Illegal activity – Violation of any local, state, or federal laws that prohibit the offender from performance of his or her duty; (2) Dishonest Conduct: Seeking or obtaining unfair advantage by stealing or receiving copies of tests or intentionally preventing others from completing their work. In addition, falsifying of records to enter or complete a program will also be considered dishonest conduct.; (3) Cheating: The unauthorized use of another's work and reporting it as your own.; (4) Plagiarism: Using someone else's ideas and not giving proper credit.; and, (5) Collusion: Acting with others to perpetrate any of the above actions regardless of personal gain.

Dropping or Withdrawing from the course: University policy will be followed in regards to all withdrawals during the semester. If you are getting financial aid (grants, scholarships, loans, etc.), check with the financial aid office to be sure that dropping or withdrawing from the course does not adversely affect your financial aid. It is the student's responsibility to assess all consequences of dropping or withdrawing from the course. (<http://www.tamuc.edu/home/finAid/default.asp> or <http://www.tamuc.edu/scholarship/>)

Schedule of class meetings, homework due dates, and test dates

Wednesday, July 9

Class meets in eCollege LivePro at 9 pm.

Monday, July 14	Homework One on Chapters One, Two, and Three
Tuesday, July 15	Test One on Chapters One, Two, and Three
Wednesday, July 16	Class meets in eCollege LivePro at 9 pm.
Monday, July 21	Homework Two on Chapters Five, Six, and Seven
Tuesday, July 22	Test Two on Chapters Five, Six, and Seven
Wednesday, July 23	Class meets in eCollege LivePro at 9 pm.
Monday, July 28	Homework Three on Chapters Eight, Nine, Ten, and Eleven
Tuesday, July 29	Test Three on Chapters Eight, Nine, Ten, and Eleven
Wednesday, July 30	Class meets in eCollege at 9 pm.
Monday, August 4	Homework Four on Chapters Thirteen, Fourteen, and Fifteen
Tuesday, August 5	Test Four on Chapters Thirteen, Fourteen, and Fifteen
Wednesday, August 6	Class meets in eCollege LivePro at 9 pm.
Thursday, August 7	Comprehensive Final Test

Homework answers are submitted to the Cengage website, and are due before midnight on the due dates.

Tests are taken in eCollege, and will appear on test dates in the “Course Home” menu on the left margin of our eCollege page. Tests are open from 12:01 am to 11:59 pm on test dates.

Thank you for your interest in accounting, and your willingness to spend a lot of time on this class during the next five weeks.

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