ACCT 1503 - Essentials of Accounting

Fall 2026 Syllabus, Section A01, CRN 43247,

Credit hours: 3

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Course Description

1503. Essentials of Accounting. Terminology, concepts and principles of basic financial and managerial accounting from a user perspective. Internal controls, cash controls, and payroll accounting are covered. Does not fulfill WCBA requirements and cannot substitute for ACCT 2602. 3 s.h.

Course Readings

Group	Title	Author	ISBN
Required	McGraw-Hill CONNECT materials	Edmond and Olds	9781264442973

The course readings are subject to change in the event of extenuating circumstances, research developments, current events, and/or to ensure better learning.

Schedule of Topics and Assignments

Week of	Reading(s)	Proposed Topic	Due/To Prepare for Class
10/19	Chapter 1: An Introduction to Accounting Chapter 2: Accounting for Accruals and Deferrals	The Language of Business	Homework for Chapters 1/2
10/26	Chapter 3: Accounting for Merchandising Businesses Chapter 4: Internal Controls, Accounting for Cash, and Ethics	Selling Inventory and Minimizing Fraud	Homework for Chapters 3/4
11/2	Chapter 5: Accounting for Receivables and Inventory Cost Flow Chapter 6: Accounting for Long-Term Operational Assets	Short and Long-Lived Assets	Homework for Chapters 5/6
11/9	Chapter 7: Accounting for Liabilities Chapter 8: Proprietorships, Partnerships, and Corporations	The RIGHT Thing!	Exam 1: Chapters 1-8 Homework for Chapters 7/8
11/16	Chapter 9: Financial Statement Analysis Chapter 10: An Introduction to Management Accounting	Let's Analyze and Plan for the Future!	Homework for Chapters 9/10
11/23	Chapter 11: Cost Behavior, Operating Leverage, and Profitability Analysis Chapter 14: Planning for Profit and Cost Control	Behaviors and Budgets	Homework: Chapters 11/14

11/30	No Chapters/All materials are provided by Instructor	Payroll Review	Exam 2: Chapters 9-11 and 14; Payroll

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