

COURSE OUTLINE

ACCT-221

Advanced Accounting

3 Credits

HOWARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Description

Students will study business combinations including methods of consolidating affiliated firms into a consolidated set of financial statements. How to account for transactions involving different currencies and the use of hedging strategies are studied. Translating a foreign entity's financial statements from a foreign currency into a domestic currency is covered. U.S. GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) are discussed and differences highlighted. Interim and Segment reporting are covered. Study includes partnership characteristics, formation, accounting for activities, ownership changes, and liquidation. This course is to prepare students for business decisions in accounting and for the Financial Accounting and Reporting (FAR) section of the Certified Public Accountant (CPA) exam. Prerequisite: ACCT-212. (3 hours weekly)

Overall Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:

1. Prepare consolidated financial statements from separate financial statements of an affiliated group.
2. Analyze accounting requirements for recording economic transactions involving foreign currencies.
3. Explain derivatives and hedge accounting.
4. Translate a foreign entity's financial statements into the domestic currency of the investor.
5. Distinguish similarities and differences of U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and International Financial Reporting Standards.
6. Construct Interim financial reports.
7. Evaluate criteria and disclosures for reportable Segments.
8. Analyze accounting requirements for partnership formation, activities, ownership changes, and liquidation.

Major Topics

- I. Business Combinations
- II. Consolidated Statements
- III. Foreign Currency Transactions
- IV. Derivatives and Hedge Accounting
- V. Translation of a Foreign Entity's Financial Statements
- VI. U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and International Accounting Standards
- VII. Interim Financial Reporting
- VIII. Criteria and Disclosures on Segments of an Entity
- IX. Partnerships: Characteristics, Formation, and Accounting for Activities
- X. Partnerships: Ownership Changes and Liquidations

Course Requirements

Grading/Exams: Grading procedures will be determined by the individual faculty member but will include the following:

- **Exams**: Three to four exams

Other Course Information

This course is a Business Elective.