

# ACCT10002 Introductory Financial Accounting

<b>Credit Points:</b>	12.50						
<b>Level:</b>	1 (Undergraduate)						
<b>Dates &amp; Locations:</b>	This subject is not offered in 2013.						
<b>Time Commitment:</b>	Contact Hours: One 2-hour lecture and a 1-hour tutorial Total Time Commitment: Not available						
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	<p>The following:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Subject</th> <th>Study Period Commencement:</th> <th>Credit Points:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>ACCT10001 Accounting Reports and Analysis</td> <td>Not offered 2013</td> <td>12.50</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:	ACCT10001 Accounting Reports and Analysis	Not offered 2013	12.50
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<b>Corequisites:</b>	None						
<b>Recommended Background Knowledge:</b>	Please refer to Prerequisites and Corequisites.						
<b>Non Allowed Subjects:</b>	None						
<b>Core Participation Requirements:</b>	For the purposes of considering requests for Reasonable Adjustments under the Disability Standards for Education (Cwth 2005), and Students Experiencing Academic Disadvantage Policy, academic requirements for this subject are articulated in the Subject Description, Subject Objectives, Generic Skills and Assessment Requirements for this entry. The University is dedicated to provide support to those with special requirements. Further details on the disability support scheme can be found at the Disability Liaison Unit website: <a href="http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/disability/">http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/disability/</a>						
<b>Contact:</b>	<b><a href="mailto:gjcusack@unimelb.edu.au">gjcusack@unimelb.edu.au</a> ( )</b>						
<b>Subject Overview:</b>	<p>Summer Semester:</p> <p>This subject introduces students to the nature of accounting and its role in business from the perspective of a preparer of financial reports. Topics covered include the recording of business transactions and adjustments associated with receivables, inventory, property, plant and equipment, debt instruments, share issues, business combinations and manufacturing activities; preparation of consolidated financial statements; preparation of a cash flow statement by account reconstruction; selected topics on recognition and measurement of certain elements of the financial statements; and financial statement analysis.</p> <p>Semester 1 and Semester 2:</p> <p>This subject focuses on the nature of accounting from the perspective of a preparer of financial reports. The method of recording and reporting transactions in an accounting system to ultimately provide the foundation for judgements and decisions in preparation of financial reports will be covered. The importance of accounting within the Australian external reporting environment is explained as well as an introduction to the Conceptual Framework for accounting that provides a theoretical underpinning of accounting standards and reporting.</p>						
<b>Objectives:</b>	<p>Summer Semester:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Describe the nature and objectives of General Purpose Financial Reporting</li> <li># Explain the nature of internal reports based on information generated from the accounting system for use in management decision-making</li> <li># Analyse the inter-relationship between management accounting and financial accounting</li> <li># Explain the nature of company formation</li> <li># Explain the relationship between financial accounting information and share prices</li> <li># Describe the nature of company transactions and account for various capital transactions (share issues) and profit distributions</li> <li># Describe and construct Company Financial Statements (Income Statement and Balance Sheet) and disclosures (Notes)</li> </ul>						

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Construct and analyse a Cash Flow Statement</li> <li># Explain the financial reporting issues for group structures and prepare financial reports for corporate groups</li> <li># Analyse and interpret company financial information contained in an annual report and explain the limitations of financial statement analysis</li> <li># Explain the meaning and implications of cost concepts and classify costs</li> <li># Record and report transactions for manufacturing activities applying actual, normal and job costing</li> <li># Discuss the role of budgets in the planning and control process</li> <li># Prepare flexible budgets and identify static, volume and flexible variances</li> </ul> <p>Semester 1 and Semester 2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Identify the principal regulatory authorities that influence the framework for external financial reporting in Australia and explain their roles and functions in this process.</li> <li># Describe the nature and objectives of General Purpose Financial Reporting</li> <li># Explain the key components of the Conceptual Framework for accounting as it applies to the preparation of general purpose financial statements.</li> <li># Record accounting transactions and prepare the Balance Sheet and the Income Statement.</li> <li># Explain the main issues to be considered in relation to reporting of key transactions and balances reported in the Balance Sheet and Income Statement.</li> <li># Describe the nature of company transactions and account for various capital transactions and profit distribution.</li> <li># Construct and analyse a Cash Flow Statement.</li> </ul>
<b>Assessment:</b>	A 3-hour end-of-semester examination (70%), assignments totalling not more than 2000 words, or equivalent, due at regular intervals during the semester (20%), and tutorial assessment (10%). Successful completion of this subject requires a minimum 50% pass in the end-of-semester examination.
<b>Prescribed Texts:</b>	You will be advised of prescribed texts by your lecturer.
<b>Breadth Options:</b>	<p>This subject potentially can be taken as a breadth subject component for the following courses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># <b>Bachelor of Arts</b> (<a href="https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2013/B-ARTS">https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2013/B-ARTS</a>)</li> <li># <b>Bachelor of Biomedicine</b> (<a href="https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2013/B-BMED">https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2013/B-BMED</a>)</li> <li># <b>Bachelor of Environments</b> (<a href="https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2013/B-ENVS">https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2013/B-ENVS</a>)</li> <li># <b>Bachelor of Music</b> (<a href="https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2013/B-MUS">https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2013/B-MUS</a>)</li> <li># <b>Bachelor of Science</b> (<a href="https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2013/B-SCI">https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2013/B-SCI</a>)</li> <li># <b>Bachelor of Engineering</b> (<a href="https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2013/B-ENG">https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2013/B-ENG</a>)</li> </ul> <p>You should visit <b>learn more about breadth subjects</b> (<a href="http://breadth.unimelb.edu.au/breadth/info/index.html">http://breadth.unimelb.edu.au/breadth/info/index.html</a>) and read the breadth requirements for your degree, and should discuss your choice with your student adviser, before deciding on your subjects.</p>
<b>Fees Information:</b>	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, <a href="http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees">http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees</a>
<b>Generic Skills:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># High level of development: problem solving; use of computer software.</li> <li># Moderate level of development: written communication; collaborative learning; team work; application of theory to practice; interpretation and analysis; critical thinking; synthesis of data and other information; evaluation of data and other information; accessing data and other information from a range of sources; receptiveness to alternative ideas.</li> <li># Some level of development: oral communication; statistical reasoning.</li> </ul>
<b>Notes:</b>	<p>Important:</p> <p>ACCT10002 was formerly known as Accounting Transactions and Analysis. In Summer Semester 2013, the curriculum for ACCT10002 Introductory Financial Accounting will be the same as for ACCT10002 Accounting Transactions and Analysis. Curriculum changes will take effect in Semester 1 2013, as reflected in the differing overview and objectives above.</p>

**Students who undertake ACCT10001 Accounting Reports and Analysis in Semester 2 2012 and wish to continue their accounting studies are advised not to enrol in ACCT10002 Introductory Financial Accounting in Summer 2013.**

It is acceptable for students who completed ACCT10001 Accounting Reports and Analysis in Semester 1 2012 or earlier to take ACCT10002 Introductory Financial Accounting in Summer Semester 2013, if they wish.

**Related Breadth Track(s):** Forensic Accounting