

Program Advising and Student Success

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ACC 100 Midterm Tip Sheet

Business: any company that exchanges a service/good for money

Sectors

Primary: dealing with raw materials (ex: farmer)

Secondary: using raw materials to create something (ex: manufacturer)

Tertiary: dealing with end consumers (ex: professor)

Stakeholder: anyone that cares about a business

Internal: direct relationship: employees, manager, owner External: indirect relationship: government, creditors, suppliers

Ouality Characteristics:

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| Faithful | Truthful, unbiased, free of errors. | |
| Relevant | Applicable to decision making. Confirms past decisions or helps to | |
| | make new ones. | |
| Timely | Information is provided quickly and within the appropriate time | |
| | frame. | |
| Understandable | Present information in a clear and concise manner. | |
| Verifiable | Any reasonable person would come to the same conclusion as | |
| | another. | |
| Comparable | Comparable with other businesses in the same industry or one | |
| | business over periods. | |

Week 1

Assumptions:

| Separate Entity | Business affairs are kept separate from personal affairs. | |
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| Unit of Measure | All transactions are recorded in the same monetary value. | |
| Going Concern | Businesses will operate into the future. | |
| Historic Cost | All transactions must be recorded at the price that occurred at that | |
| *few exceptions | time. | |
| Time Period | Information must follow the same procedure for every artificial | |
| | period it is broken into. | |
| Full disclosure | All significant information must be reported especially if it will | |
| | impact a stakeholder. | |

Week 2

Financial reporting elements: Assets, Liabilities, Equity, Revenue, Expenses

Simple accounting equation: Assets = liabilities + equity

(read bottom to top)



Expanded accounting equation (illustrates detailed equity)

Assets = Liabilities + Owner's Capital + Revenue - Expenses - Dividends

Dividends: portion of profit paid to owners for investing.

Note: when given 2 of 3 elements, you can always find the unknown by rearranging!

Week 3

Accounts: subgroups of the 5 financial reporting elements. The following are common across businesses. Some vary depending on the type of business. For example, a bakery may have "ingredients expense" but a lawn service business will not, instead they may have "gas expense".

Examples of accounts:

Assets: cash, accounts receivable, inventory, office supplies Liabilities: accounts payable, bank loan payable, salaries payable

Equity: owner's capital, retained earnings

Revenue: service revenue, fees earned (in some cases: interest earned)

Expenses: utilities, salaries expense, telephone expense

Tricky accounts:

prepaid expense (ex: rent or insurance)

deferred/unearned revenue

note 1: payables tend to be liabilities as they are obligations you owe! note 2: not all accounts that say "expense" in their name are expenses!

Note 3: left side of accounting equation (assets) should always match the right side

(liabilities + equity)

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Week 4

note 1: By now, we know equity is broken into several components. In week 4, we're introduced to sub-components of assets and liability.

Assets (current and long-term (intangible))

Liabilities (short and long-term)

Note: bank loan payable can be both short-term (the portion of the loan due within the year) and long-term (the remainder of the loan)

activity: operating, investing, or financing (debt or equity)

operating: day-to-day operations aligned with the business's goals

investing: buying things to run the business (cash-, asset+) **financing-debt**: taking on a loan for money (cash+, loan+)

financing-equity: selling a portion of the business for cash (cash+)

note 2: descriptions describing an act tend to be activities!

note 3: short descriptions tend to be accounts!

note 4: think of shark tank or dragon's den for equity financing!

1)Income statement – profit/loss is carried to the following statement

2)Statement of retained earnings – closing retained earnings balance is carried over to the balance sheet under equity

3)Balance sheet – the amount in cash is the same amount in the following statement

4)statement of cash flows – illustrates exactly where cash is coming from and where it is going

 $Cash\ inflow-provided$

Cash outflow – used

Listed in reverse alphabetical order

Heading: 1) business name 2) name of statement 3) period ending...

note 5: for the balance sheet, only provide the date!

Week 5

Merchandising businesses: businesses that sell physical/tangible products. Service businesses: companies that perform intangible services.

Periodic system: inventory checks are done at intervals. There needs to be a physical count of what inventory remains. Example: a small convenience store

Perpetual system: inventory is constantly changing (when sales and purchases happen). Only need to count at the end to see what has been damaged or stolen. Example: Walmart or

Costco

Credit terms: example: 2/10 n/30: 2% discount if paid in 10 days, otherwise due in 30 days.

FOB shipping point: buyer owns the inventory and buyer pays for the shipping **FOB destination:** seller owns the inventory and the seller pays for the shipping

Other Tips

There is never a single entry! Always 2 or more that either impact 1 side or both sides of the equation!

Always ask yourself, is it an event or a transaction? Events are NOT recorded!

If you're confused about recording transactions, ask yourself the critical questions. Still confused? Ask yourself the enhancing questions!

| Critical Questions | Enhancing Questions |
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| 1. What did the business get? | 1. What did the business earn? |
| 2. What did the business give away? | 2. What did the business use, consume, or incur? |
| | 3. What does the business owe? |