ACCT 2010 Financial Accounting
Wednesday BLB 070: 6:30-9:20 p.m.
Spring 2012

Instructor: Jay Baker, MS, MBA, CPA
Office: BLB 387C
Phone: (940) 565-7047 (Only monitored during office hours)
E-mail: Keith.Baker@UNT.edu
Office Hours: Wednesday 5:15 to 6:15 pm
Use this email; do not email me via Blackboard Vista

Required Textbook/Online-Materials:
Financial Accounting, 8th Edition; by Harrison, Horngren, and Thomas AND

Catalog Description: External uses of accounting information; interpretation of accounting data; analysis of financial statements; income and cash flow analysis; nature of assets and liabilities; understanding accounting reporting process.

PLEASE NOTE: that this course may not be taken more than twice at UNT. Students may not retake this course once they have completed (with a C or better) a course for which this is a prerequisite.

ACCT 2010 IS A PREREQUISITE OF ACCT 2020. YOU CANNOT BE ENROLLED IN BOTH.

Course Objectives: This course is the first course in Accounting, and it focuses on Financial Accounting. It is designed to teach the concepts and procedures underlying the measurement and reporting of financial information. This course is central to the education of any student aspiring to a career as a professional accountant. In addition, this course provides valuable information for students whose career goals are in other business fields that are dependent on financial accounting and reporting as an important source of data.

COURSE POINT DISTRIBUTION:
Course grades will be assigned based on the total number of points earned during the semester. Points are allocated according to the following:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Component</th>
<th>Points</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Quizzes</td>
<td>100</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MAL Homework</td>
<td>100</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EXAM I-4</td>
<td>400</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Comprehensive Final</td>
<td>100</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total Points</td>
<td>700</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

As a general rule the percentage of points to achieve a certain letter grade will be as follows:
90% or more = A, 80%-89% = B, 70%-79% = C, 60%-69% = D, less than 60% = F

GRADING NOTES:
a. No other work can be substituted for the required work.
b. During the class meeting following each examination will be a short review of the exam. If you wish to discuss other problems on your exam, please see me during my office hours or contact me via email. If you are not in attendance at a class meeting during which an Exam is returned for your review, it is your responsibility to see me during office hours should you wish to review your exam.
c. For each exam during the semester and for the Final Exam, I will post your exam scores on Blackboard at my earliest possible convenience. I will post quiz scores and homework scores as time permits. Please do not call or email to talk about your exams prior to the exam being returned to you. When your exam is returned to you, should you find an error in its grading or should you have a question concerning how a particular question was graded, you should bring the question to my attention immediately. If your exam has been graded incorrectly or should you be due points, I will do...
so if you have brought the question to my attention within one week of our in-class review. After that time I will not alter your recorded exam score. I cannot discuss your exam scores on the phone therefore; you must see me in person to discuss your exams.

EXAMS:
Five exams will be administered during the semester as per the attached course schedule. Exams I thru IV will cover material from specific chapters as noted on the class schedule. The fifth exam will be a departmental comprehensive Final Exam. The best preparation for all of the exams will be: 1) careful reading of the text material, 2) use of the text website resource material (videos, narrated power points, quizzes, additional problems, etc.), 3) working all assigned problems, 4) extensive practice time with My Accounting Lab (MAL) problems, and 5) practice with any supplemental problems and materials provided by me. Additionally, review of the glossary and the chapter review problem provided at the end of each chapter of the textbook.

Please note the following:

a. It is required that you take each of the Exams in this course.
b. When you take an Exam, the grade will be recorded and CANNOT be dropped.
c. If you miss an Exam a zero will be recorded.
d. If you miss an Exam and have an excused absence, your score on the Comprehensive Final Exam will replace the previously recorded zero. This substitution can occur for only one missed exam. Any other missed exam (regardless of the reason for missing the exam) will retain the recorded score of zero. Make-up exams are not given.
e. The exam dates are listed on the attached Class Schedule. Please be advised that the dates are subject to change. Any change will be announced in class as well as via an Announcement on My Accounting Lab.

f. Should you have to miss an exam, it is your responsibility to notify me BEFORE the exam takes place if possible. For an absence to be considered excused, it must be the result of unavoidable, serious circumstances (generally related to your illness, death in the family, accident, or work (in some cases)) and must be supported by documentation. A flat tire, car trouble, no baby sitter, tired, I went out of town and my car broke down, etc. are not eligible for “excused absence” status. Excused absences due to attendance at sanctioned university activities qualify for the application of this policy PROVIDED you have apprised me in advance of the class meeting to be missed.

EXAM RULES:
a. Phones and Beepers: When you are in my class, your cellular phones, I-phones, Blackberries, etc. are to be turned off put away. Should a student persist in using a cell phone during class time, I will take the phone and retain it until the conclusion of the semester. Texting during class is unacceptable. On exam days, please have cellular phones and/or beepers turned off and removed from the work surface. Please remove all phone ear pieces and/or Blue-Tooth devices. You may not use your wireless phone as a calculator or as a time piece on exam days. I have a zero tolerance policy regarding cellular phones ringing on exam day….if your phone rings or buzzes, I will take up your exam and you will receive the grade you have earned on the work completed to that point. I will appreciate your observance of these cellular phone rules. If you believe you need an exception to this policy, please discuss it with me.
b. Calculators: You will be provided a department calculator to use on all exams.
c. No books or notes may be used during exams. All material you bring to class with you must be placed on the floor.
d. I will supply all “scratch” paper.
e. I reserve the right to seat and/or re-seat any student before or during an exam.
f. Please come to class ten (10) minutes early on exam days.
g. On exam days, please bring a picture ID to class. When you turn in your exam, I will ask to see your picture ID.
h. At the end of exams when I call “Time” I will collect all outstanding exams and leave the room. If you do not relinquish your exam upon my request and prior to my departure from the room, a zero will be recorded for your exam grade.

CLASS PREPARATION:
When we begin the discussion of a new chapter, I will briefly discuss the concepts contained therein but by no means will my lectures be comprehensive over all of the subjects or concepts covered in each chapter. Please come to class prepared to ask questions regarding any concepts from the chapter that you do not understand. Rather than spend class time lecturing about all of the concepts from each chapter, my expectation will be that you have carefully read the text material so that class time can be spent solving exercises and problems, applying the concepts about which you have read in the text. The exercises and problems listed in the Class Schedule are those which we will discuss and work in class and I expect you to have attempted to solve those problems prior to class. The problems listed as Class Discussion Problems on the Class Schedule will not be graded but I expect your participation as we discuss the solutions to these exercises in class. Therefore, you should attempt to work the Class Discussion exercises prior to class. You will not be successful in this class by working none or only a minimum number of the problems assigned.

UNANNOUNCED QUIZZES:
On a random basis during the semester, quizzes will be given during class meetings. Quizzes may be given at the beginning of the class period or at the end of the class meeting. If you are not in your seat in the classroom when the quiz begins, you will not be allowed to take the quiz. Quizzes WILL NOT be made up...no exceptions.

PEARSON PRENTICE HALL MY ACCOUNTING LAB:
Along with your course textbook you will need to purchase access to Pearson Prentice Hall’s online package called My Accounting Lab (MAL). All end of chapter exercises and problems are found on MAL. We will be referring to the textbook often during class therefore, I will expect that you come to class with your textbook (you cannot bring an e-book to class without your laptop.....I prefer that you not have your laptop operating during class. MAL provides you with a large set of problems with which to practice the concepts we will discuss in this course. Practice is the key to success in accounting. Consistent use of the features of MAL provides you with a superior tool with which to work for success in this course. I urge you to make use of the system to the fullest extent possible!

DISCUSSION PROBLEMS:
The Exercises, and Problems, listed on the right side of the Class Schedule should be worked as preparation for each class meeting. No grade will be recorded for the Class Discussion Problems. You will find the class discussion problems at the end of the chapter being discussed. You should come to class with questions about the problems you attempt and with which you have difficulty. If it is your intention to do well in this course, it is essential that you work not only the Class Discussion Problems but as many other related problems as you can (see the Practice & Review assignments in MAL). The concepts we are to study can be learned and understood only by working problems. Please be advised that I will ask students, on a random basis, to assist me in solving the problems as we work them in class. Or if the problem calls for a verbal explanation and discussion of a result, I will ask individuals to respond. I do not expect you to come to class and simply copy my work having done no advance preparation on the exercises. It is not likely that you will always be able to give me a correct answer….after all this is called a “learning process”. BUT I do expect you to respond. Better to respond with an incorrect answer demonstrating that you attempted the work than to have no answer, which assures me that you have done nothing at all.

HOMEWORK PROBLEMS: MAL also contains an assignment for each chapter called Homework Problems. You will be required to complete the Homework Problems and you will receive a grade. The homework assignment for each chapter must be completed by 11:55PM (Central Standard Time) on the dates indicated on the Homework Manager site. Generally the Homework due date is two weeks after the chapter is presented. However, that may not be the case for all chapters.

MAL will allow you to continue to attempt to complete each problem until you are able to get it right or until the window of opportunity for that chapter’s assignment closes, whichever comes first.

CLASS ATTENDANCE: Regular attendance and quality class preparation are essential elements for your success in this course. The subject matter in this course is not extremely difficult but may be new to most students. Therefore, to fully understand this material you should avail yourself of all of the text resources, as well as class discussions. My lectures will be limited to the material from the text that I believe needs additional clarification and material that you have asked to be clarified. We will spend a great deal of class time working problems and analyzing supplemental materials. Working problems in class is designed not simply to provide you with solutions to problems but with the logic and thought processes you need to develop in order to correctly solve a problem or answer a question. Therefore, your regular class attendance will contribute to your success on course examinations. Past experience suggests that your course grade is highly correlated with the level of your class attendance.

ABSENCES BASED ON RELIGIOUS BELIEFS: A student who misses an examination or other assignment due to the observance of a religious holy day will be given the opportunity to complete the work missed. To be eligible for this opportunity, the student must notify me in writing of exams scheduled on dates he or she will be absent to observe a religious holy day. Notification must be made within the first fifteen (15) calendar days of the semester by written correspondence, delivered to me, and acknowledged as received by me.

CHEATING: Honesty and integrity are very important characteristics of an accountant or any business person. Failure to perform within the bounds of accepted ethical standards is sufficient grounds for your discontinuance in this course with a grade of F and could lead to expulsion from the University. Failure to abide by the university’s rules regarding academic dishonesty will not be tolerated in this course. University policy regarding this matter is a part of the UNT Code of Student Conduct and Discipline and can be found in the UNT Policy Manual, Vol. III, No. 18.1.11, and in the Student Handbook. The university’s recently revised academic integrity policy can be found at http://vpaa.unt.edu/academic-integrity.htm.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA): If you are a student who requires accommodations in compliance with the ADA, please consult with me during the first week of the semester. As a faculty member, I will provide “reasonable accommodation” to any student with a disability, so as not to discriminate on the basis of that disability. It is your responsibility to inform me of the disability at the beginning of the semester and provide me with documentation authorizing the specific accommodation. UNT’s Office of Disability Accommodation (ODA), is responsible for verifying and implementing accommodations to ensure equal opportunity in all programs and activities. You must contact ODA who will
instruct you how to proceed. I recognize that any disclosure by a student of their need for accommodation is extremely sensitive. I assure you that all conversations and other communications will be kept protected and confidential and disclosed only on a need-to-know basis.

**WITHDRAWALS:** University policy relative to withdrawals will be followed. **Friday, February 24, 2012,** is the last date for students to drop with an automatic grade of W. Otherwise the student will receive a grade of WF. Students may not drop a course after **Friday, April 20, 2012** unless they are withdrawing from the University. You should consult with your academic advisor prior to the above dates if you are considering dropping this course.

**COMMUNICATING WITH THE INSTRUCTOR:** When I interact with you, I want to be responsive. If you will adopt the following suggestions, I will have a better chance of helping you in an effective and timely manner.

a. Email is the best way to contact me. If you email me, do not assume that I received your email unless I confirm receipt.

b. When you see me in my office, it will be helpful for you to remind me of your name and the section you are in.

**STUDENT EVALUATION OF TEACHING EFFECTIVENESS (SETE):** The Student Evaluation of Teaching Effectiveness (SETE) is a requirement for all organized classes at UNT. This short survey will be made available to you at the end of the semester, providing you a chance to comment on how this class is taught. I am very interested in the feedback I get from students, as I work to continually improve my teaching. I consider the SETE to be an important part of your participation in this class.

**ACCEPTABLE STUDENT BEHAVIOR:** Student behavior that interferes with an instructor’s ability to conduct a class or other students’ opportunity to learn is unacceptable and disruptive and will not be tolerated in any instructional forum at UNT. Students engaging in unacceptable behavior will be directed to leave the classroom and the instructor may refer the student to the Center for Student Rights and Responsibilities to consider whether the student's conduct violated the Code of Student Conduct. The university's expectations for student conduct apply to all instructional forums, including university and electronic classroom, labs, discussion groups, field trips, etc. The Code of Student Conduct can be found at [www.unt.edu/csrr](http://www.unt.edu/csrr) Please be on time for each class. Your late arrival is a distraction to me as well as to your classmates. Please show everyone the courtesy of arriving timely. Likewise, your departure from class should be at the same time as your classmates. I am very offended when a student, in the middle of class, simply gathers his or her things and departs. That is rude and is a distraction to your classmates. If you must leave class early for a meeting or appointment, etc., please do me the courtesy of informing me at the beginning of class.

**SEATING and CLASSROOM BEHAVIOR:** I do my best to get to know each of my students during the semester. It is helpful to my efforts in this regard if you are in the same seat each class meeting. Beginning with our second class meeting, I will expect you to sit in the seat in which you will remain for the duration of the course. On exam days, I reserve the right to re-assign seats. Re-assigned seating will apply to that exam day only. On the next class day, you will return to your customary seat.

**CANCELLATION OF CLASSES:** In the event that weather or other conditions are such that normal campus operations could be impeded, the administration of the University will determine whether classes will be canceled or delayed. Such information will be provided to the local broadcast media and posted on the UNT homepage. If the campus has not been closed, I will hold class. You must use your own judgment with regard to your personal safety in coming to campus.

**WEBSITES OF INTEREST:**

- [www.tsbpa.state.tx.us/](http://www.tsbpa.state.tx.us/)
- [www.rutgers.edu/Accounting/raw/fasb/](http://www.rutgers.edu/Accounting/raw/fasb/)
- [www.sec.gov/](http://www.sec.gov/)
- [www.imanet.org](http://www.imanet.org) (Institute of Management Accountants)
- [www.pearsonhighered.com/braun](http://www.pearsonhighered.com/braun) (textbook website)
- [www.aicpa.org](http://www.aicpa.org) (American Institute of CPA’s)
- [www.fasb.org](http://www.fasb.org)
- [www.austincc.edu/accting/toolbox/](http://www.austincc.edu/accting/toolbox/) (Accounting Toolbox)
- [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com) (Search: Susan Crosson)
### Table of Schedule

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Chapter/Topic</th>
<th>TO Be Covered In Class</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>W 1/18</td>
<td>Course Introduction / My Accounting Lab training</td>
<td>1: Financial Statements S1-1, S1-6, S1-8, S1-10, S1-11, S1-12, E1-18A</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>W 1/25</td>
<td>2: Transaction Analysis</td>
<td>S2-1 through 4, S2-6, S2-7, S2-9,</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>W 2/1</td>
<td>2 continued &amp;</td>
<td>S2-13, E2-18A, E2-19A</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>W 2/8</td>
<td>3: Accrual Accounting and Income</td>
<td>S3-1, S3-7, S3-8, S3-10, S3-11, S3-14, S3-16, E3-20A, E3-24A, E3-25A</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>W 2/15</td>
<td>Exam I: Chap 1 and 2 and 3 Start Chapter 4 after Exam # 1 Internal Control and Cash</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>W 2/22</td>
<td>Go over Exam I &amp; 4d continued &amp;</td>
<td>S4-3, S4-8, S4-9, E4-21A, E4-22A</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>W 2/29</td>
<td>5: Short-term Investments and Receivables</td>
<td>S5-1, S5-2, S5-7 through 10</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>W 3/5</td>
<td>5 continued &amp;</td>
<td>S5-12, S5-14, S5-16, E5-20A</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>M 3/7</td>
<td>6: Inventory and COGS</td>
<td>S6-1 through 3, S6-7, S6-12, S6-13</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>W 3/14</td>
<td>Exam II: Chapters 4 and 5 and 6</td>
<td>E6-26A</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>W 3/28</td>
<td>Go over Exam II</td>
<td>S7-3, S7-5 (skip DDB), S7-7, S7-10</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>W 3/7</td>
<td>7: Plan Assets and Intangibles</td>
<td>S7-12, E7-15A, E7-17A, E7- 18A, E7-22A, E7-27A</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>W 3/14</td>
<td>8: Liabilities</td>
<td>S8-1, S8-3, S8-6 through 8, S8-12, E8-18A</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>W 4/4</td>
<td>9: Stockholder’s Equity</td>
<td>S9-6, S9-7, S9-8, S9-10, S9-12, S9-14, E9-25A, E9-29A, E9-30A</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**SPRING BREAK MARCH 19-25**

| W 4/4 | Go over Exam III & | |
| W 4/1112 | Income statement & the | S11-3 through 5, S11-9, S11-10 |
| W 4/1112 | Statement of Stockholder’s Equity | E11-16A |
| W 4/18 | Statement of Cash Flows | S12-5 through 8, S12-13 |
| W 5/2 | Go over Exam IV & Discussion of any open concepts | |
| W 5/2 | 13: Financial Statement Analysis | S13-7 S13-1 through 3, S13-8, S13-10, S13-14, E13-21A |
| M 5/7 | Review for Final Exam | |
| M 5/7 | Time/location to be announced | Final Exam: Comprehensive Exam, including Chapter 13 |

NOTE: THIS SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE.