

# Karatina University

School of Business

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## **BBM 450: PRACTICAL ACCOUNTING DATA PROCESSING**

### **COURSE PURPOSE**

To introduce students to methods for finding, transferring and processing existing data sources. The course emphasizes practical approaches to pre-statistical data processing and analysis with statistical software on a PC with a MS Windows operating system, work very similarly.

### **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

- i. Convert a raw data set to an analytic data set.
- ii. Manipulate variety of existing data resources potentially useful in accounting systems
- iii. Use existing data conversion in software.
- iv. Utilize complex sampling and data processing designs.

### **COURSE CONTENT**

1. Introduction to accounting information processing concepts.
2. Accounting information systems development and management.
3. Application of information systems in accounting reports.
4. Accounting software and end-user software.
5. Practical with latest Accounting packages.
  - Ms Excel- Beginner to Advanced.
  - Quick books (supplemented by GNU Cash).

### **MODE OF DELIVERY OF THE COURSE**

The course will be delivered using physical and on-line lectures and discussions based on case studies and presentations by students.

### **INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS/ EQUIPMENT**

- Audio-visual devices.
- Ms Excel Software.
- GNU Cash Software.
- computers/internet services.
- journals, newspapers.
- chalk/pens and white boards.
- flip charts.

## About GNU Cash

GNU cash is an open source accounting software. Please search on the internet if you need to install the software. It is available for free.

## COURSE ASSESSMENT

The course will be assessed using 3 practical continuous assessment tests, 1 project-based class assignment and 1 final exam, as shown in Table 1 below. Note that all assessments will be practical. I will especially put emphasis on Ms Excel as it is a core tool for accountants

useful texts for the course include Proctor (2004), Mayes (2020), Hall (2015), as well as the numerous resources available for free online.

Table 1: Course Evaluation

Assessment	Contribution
CAT 1: Practical	5%
CAT 2: Practical	5%
CAT 3: Sit in: Practical	10%
CAT 4: Group Presentations	10%
Final Practical Examination	70%
TOTAL	100%

## Class Times

We shall hold the class between 8.00 am and 11.00 am in the business school computer lab.

## Contacts

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## References

- Hall, James A. 2015. *Accounting Information Systems*. Cengage Learning.
- Mayes, Timothy R. 2020. *Financial Analysis with Microsoft Excel*. Cengage Learning.
- Proctor, K Scott. 2004. *Building Financial Models with Microsoft Excel: A Guide for Business Professionals*. Vol. 269. John Wiley & Sons.