

Undergraduate Course Syllabus

ACC 335: Tax Factors for Business Decisions

Center: Online

Course Prerequisites

CE: ACC-202; UC: ACC-202 or ACC-205

Course Description

This course focuses on tax basics that apply to all forms of business organizations. It stresses the importance of tax concepts within the framework of financial reporting and emphasizes differences between tax and financial accounting theory and electronic applications in the tax area. The course covers general concepts, underlying policies, a comparison of tax rules to GAAP, basic compliance obligations, the role of the tax advisor and current tax issues. The Internal Revenue Code, comprehensive research matters of tax law, the computer online service research will be explored.

Course Outcomes

- Understand federal income tax law as it relates to business decision making
- Explain basic tax rules, terminology, and policies underlying the tax law, how the tax law is created, the relationship between GAAP and tax rules, and the role of a tax adviser
- Understand taxes in the business decision-making process, rather than as just a discrete set of rules
 primarily relevant to the process of completing tax forms

Required Materials

Using your learning resources is critical to your success in this course. Please purchase directly through SNHU's online bookstore, MBS Direct, rather than any other vendor. Purchasing directly from the bookstore ensures that you will obtain the correct materials and that the Help Desk, your advisor, and the instructor can provide you with support if you have problems.

Access code for MyAccountingLab, which includes the following eBook:

Prentice Hall's Federal Taxation 2017: Corporations, Partnerships, Estates & Trusts

Anderson, Kenneth E.

Pearson Custom

ISBN: 978-1-323-78306-1

Optional Materials

Prentice Hall's Federal Taxation 2017: Corporations, Partnerships, Estates & Trusts Anderson, Kenneth E.

Pearson

IBSN: 978-0-13-289154-7

Instructor Availability and Response Time

Your class interaction with the instructor and your classmates will take place on a regular, ongoing basis. Your instructor will be actively engaged within the course throughout the week. You will normally communicate with your instructor in the weekly discussions or the General Questions discussion topic so that your questions and the instructor's answers benefit the entire class. You should feel free, however, to communicate with your instructor via SNHU email at any time, particularly when you want to discuss something of a personal or sensitive nature. Your instructor will generally provide a response within 24 hours.

Grade Distribution

Assignment Category	Number of Graded Items	Point Value per Item	Total Points
Discussions	8	40	320
Practice Problems	5	35	175
Short Paper	1	50	50
Clean Ocean Parts Corp. Team Project	1	50	50
Midterm	1	150	150
Final Exam	1	255	255
		•	Total Course Points: 1,000

This course may also contain practice activities. The purpose of these non-graded activities is to assist you in mastering the learning outcomes in the graded activity items listed above.

University Grading System: Undergraduate

Grade	Numerical Equivalent	Points
Α	93–100	4
Α-	90–92	3.67
B+	87–89	3.33
В	83–86	3
B-	80–82	2.67
C+	77–79	2.33
С	73–76	2
C-	70–72	1.67
D+	67–69	1.33
D	60–66	1
F	0–59	0
1	Incomplete	
IF	Incomplete/Failure *	
IP	In Progress (past end	
	of term)	

Grade	Numerical Equivalent	Points
W	Withdrawn	

^{*} Please refer to the <u>policy page</u> for information on the incomplete grade process.

Grading Guides

Specific activity directions, grading guides, posting requirements, and additional deadlines can be found in the Assignment Guidelines and Rubrics section of the course.

Weekly Assignment Schedule

All reading and assignment information can be found within each module of the course. Assignments and discussion posts during the first week of each term are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time. Assignments and discussion posts for the remainder of the term are due by 11:59 p.m. of the student's local time zone.

In addition to the textbook readings that are listed, there may be additional required resources within each module.

Module	Topics and Assignments
1	Tax Consequences
	Prentice Hall's Federal Taxation 2017, Chapters 1 and 2
	1-1 Discussion: BP Oil Spill
	1-2 MyAccountingLab Module One Practice Problems
2	Comparative Forms of Business
	Prentice Hall's Federal Taxation 2017, Chapter 2 (review); Chapters 9 and 11
	2-1 Discussion: Comparing Business Structures
	2-2 MyAccountingLab Module Two Practice Problems
3	Sole Proprietors
	Prentice Hall's Federal Taxation 2017, Chapter 3
	3-1 Discussion: Employees Versus Sole Proprietors
	3-2 Self-Assessment: Self-Employment Income and the Self-Employment Tax
	3-3 Midterm: Begin Work
4	Financial Reporting
	Prentice Hall's Federal Taxation 2017, Review Chapters 2 and 3
	4-1 Discussion: P & J Oyster Company
	4-2 MyAccountingLab Module Four Practice Problems
	4-3 Midterm: Submit
5	Advice for Kevin Costner
	5-1 Discussion: Kevin Costner
	5-2 MyAccountingLab Module Five Practice Problems
6	Clean Ocean Parts Corporation
	6-1 Discussion: Ocean Therapy Solutions
	6-2 Group Discussion: Clean Ocean Parts Corp. Team Project

Module	Topics and Assignments
7	Multijurisdictional Taxation
	Prentice Hall's Federal Taxation 2017, Chapter 16
	7-1 Discussion: Multijurisdictional Taxation
	7-2 MyAccountingLab Module Seven Practice Problems
	7-3 Short Paper: Corporate Tax Return
8	Wrapping Up
	Prentice Hall's Federal Taxation 2017, Review Chapters 1, 2, 3, 9, 11, and 16
	8-1 Discussion: Course Outcomes
	8-2 Assignment: Final Examination Prep: MyAccountingLab
	8-3 MyAccountingLab Final Exam

Attendance Policy

Online students are required to submit a graded assignment/discussion during the first week of class. If a student does not submit a posting to the graded assignment/discussion during the first week of class, the student is automatically withdrawn from the course for non-participation. Review the full attendance policy.

Late Assignments Policy

Meeting assigned due dates is critical for demonstrating progress and ensuring appropriate time for instructor feedback on assignments. Students are expected to submit their assignments on or before the due date. Review the full late assignment policy.

SNHU Student Handbook

Review the student handbook.

ADA/504 Compliance Statement

In accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title III of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, and the Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act (ADAAA) of 2008, Southern New Hampshire University does not discriminate on the basis of disability, including intellectual disability, in admission, treatment, or access to its programs or activities, nor does it discriminate in employment in its programs or activities.

The university prohibits unlawful discrimination on the basis of disability and takes action to prevent such discrimination by providing reasonable accommodations to eligible individuals with disabilities. A disability is a condition or impairment that impacts a "major life activity" or "major bodily function."

- Major life activities include, but are not limited to, caring for oneself, performing manual tasks, seeing, hearing, eating, sleeping, walking, standing, lifting, bending, speaking, breathing, learning, reading, concentrating, thinking, communicating, and working.
- Major bodily functions include, but are not limited to, functions of the immune system, normal cell growth, and digestive, bowel, bladder, neurological, brain, respiratory, circulatory, endocrine, and reproductive functions. Disabilities include physical, medical (including pregnancy), mental health, and learning needs.

At the beginning of each term, or as soon as you become aware of a disability or accessibility concern, we encourage you to contact the Online Accessibility Center (OAC) to discuss accommodations for which you may be qualified. Reasonable accommodations are established through an interactive process between the student and the OAC.

Note that accommodations are not retroactive and that disability accommodations are not provided until acceptable documentation of a disability and its impact is received and an accommodation letter has been processed. If you are unsure whether your condition qualifies as a disability or accessibility concern, please contact the OAC for determination.

Contact Information:

Online Accessibility Center

Phone: 866-305-9430 Email: oac@snhu.edu

For questions concerning support services, documentation guidelines, or general disability issues, please visit the <u>Online Accessibility Center</u> website.

If you feel you have been denied appropriate disability-related accommodations, including appropriate auxiliary aids and services, you may file a grievance as described in the ADA/504 Grievance Policy found on the <u>Disability</u> and Accessibility Services website.

Academic Honesty Policy

Southern New Hampshire University requires all students to adhere to high standards of integrity in their academic work. Activities such as plagiarism and cheating are not condoned by the university. Review the <u>full academic honesty policy</u>.

Copyright Policy

Southern New Hampshire University abides by the provisions of United States Copyright Act (Title 17 of the United States Code). Any person who infringes the copyright law is liable. Review the <u>full copyright policy</u>.

SNHU Withdrawal Policy

Review the full withdrawal policy.

Southern New Hampshire University Policies

More information about SNHU policies can be found on the policy page.

Student Work Samples

For the purpose of continuous improvement of our educational training, Southern New Hampshire University may, on occasion, utilize anonymous student work samples for internal professional development and staff training. If you would like to withdraw permission for use of your work, please complete the <u>Student Work Sample Survey</u>.