# Exercise 5: Create a Primary Cost Element

In S/4HANA, cost elements (used in Controlling) are created using the same transaction used to create G/L accounts (used in Financial Accounting). In fact, the two are saved in the same tables in the database.

Follow this menu path:

**Accounting → Financial Accounting → General Ledger → Master Records → G/L Accounts → Individual Processing → Centrally**

Enter the following data:

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| G/L Account | 7043## |
| Company Code | US00 |

Click Create .

Enter the following data:

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| Type/Description Tab | |
| G/L Account Type | Primary Costs or Revenue |
| Account Group | Profit and loss |
| Short Text | Expenses learn-## |
| G/L Acct Long Text | Expenses learn-## |
| Control Data Tab | |
| Account Currency | USD |
| CElem category | Primary costs/cost-reducing revenues |
| Create/bank/interest Tab | |
| Field status group | Expense Accounts |

Click Save.