

School of Accounting and Finance
AFM 291: Intermediate Financial Accounting 1
Fall 2017
Course Syllabus

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Course Description:

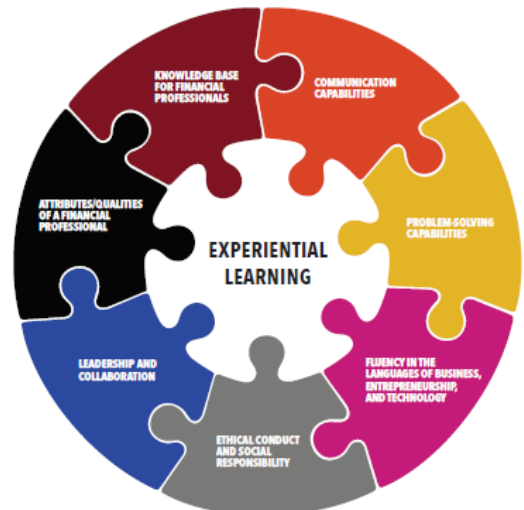
AFM 291 is the first course in intermediate accounting dealing with the theory and practice of financial statement preparation and reporting. The emphasis will be on accounting for assets and the related impact on income measurement.

Lecture Schedule:

Section	Days of the week	Time	Room	Instructor
001	Tuesday & Thursday	8:30 to 9:50	HH 1102	Donna Psutka
002	Tuesday & Thursday	10:00 to 11:20	HH 1102	Donna Psutka
003	Tuesday & Thursday	2:30 to 3:50	HH 1102	Duane Kennedy
004	Tuesday & Thursday	4:00 to 5:20	HH 1102	Duane Kennedy
005	Tuesday & Thursday	8:30 to 9:50	HH 1104	Duane Kennedy
006	Tuesday & Thursday	10:00 to 11:20	HH 1104	Duane Kennedy
007	Tuesday & Thursday	2:30 to 3:50	HH 1104	Donna Psutka

Program Goals:

Programs delivered by the School of Accounting and Finance (SAF) are designed to provide students with the competencies, professionalism and practical experience needed to excel in their chosen careers. With this in mind, SAF programs (and courses within the programs) are created to deliver the knowledge, skills and competencies identified in the School Learning Model.



Course Learning Objectives:

By the end of the term, you should be able to ...

LO1: Select Appropriate GAAP:

a. Determine and justify which GAAP should be applied (IFRS or ASPE), considering the financial reporting needs and the economic context of the entity.

LO2: With a focus on assets and revenue transactions/events, evaluate appropriate accounting policies:

- Explain the economic substance of transactions/events.
- Critically evaluate accounting policy choices and alternatives for transactions/events, referencing the textbook content and the CPA Canada Handbook.
- Select or assess the policy that most fairly presents the underlying economic reality of the entity within a decision-making context.
- Apply a conceptual framework approach in situations involving choice of accounting policy and procedure.
- Communicate in writing the results of this evaluation process.

LO3: With a focus on assets and revenue transactions/events, evaluate treatment of routine transactions:

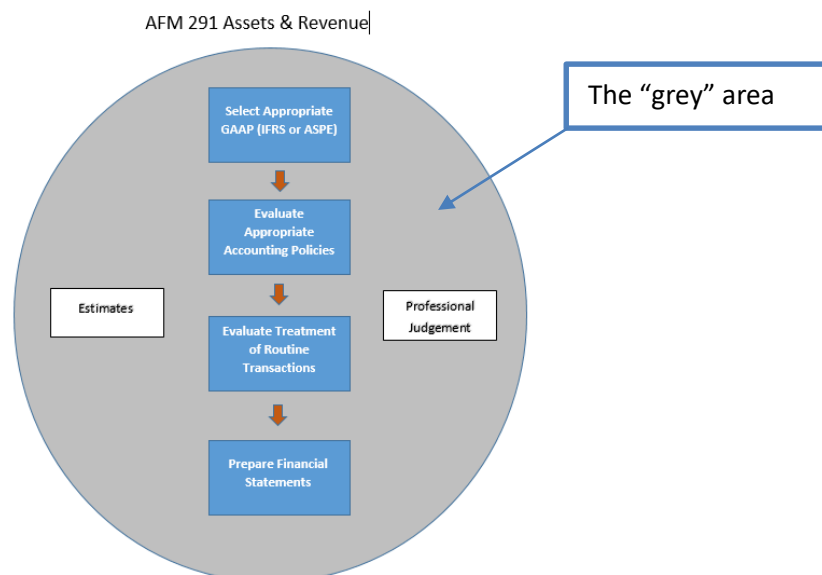
- Identify routine transactions by making reference to the business model and industry (knowing that a transaction that is routine in one environment may not be routine in another.)
- Assess a variety of source documents or information about routine events to determine accounting implications.
- Record or assess routine transactions into an accounting system (journal entries).

LO4: Prepare financial statements:

- Prepare financial statements for public or private corporations.

LO5: Interpret the extent of professional judgement in the preparation of financial statements:

- Identify areas of estimates and judgement for a selection of Balance Sheet and Income Statement elements.



Course Resources:

Required Textbook:

Lo, Kin and George Fisher. *Intermediate Accounting*, 3rd Canadian Edition, Volume One (the following options are available):

- Hardcover Text with *My Accounting Lab* Code: ISBN: 9780134145051
- Loose Leaf Text without *My Accounting Lab* Code: Unbound, 3-hole punched – binder ready ISBN: 9780134168821
- Pearson e-Text with *My Accounting Lab* – No print text ISBN: 9780134193489
- *My Accounting Lab* without Pearson e-Text – No print text ISBN: 9781323770856
- Loose Leaf Text with *My Accounting Lab* Code (Special order only – will not stock in Book Store): ISBN 9780134616230

Waterloo LEARN is a web-based learning management system used to communicate information such as the course syllabus, weekly class material, and exam material. Students should check LEARN regularly.

Bring your textbook (or laptop for e-text) to every class. We will be doing end-of-chapter problems in most classes and it will be difficult to participate (and learn) if you do not have access to your textbook.

Reference Material:

CPA Canada Handbook Handbook: Part I International Financial Reporting Standards and Part II Accounting Standards for Private Enterprises (Both available on the library webpage under “Research Databases”).

Course Evaluation:

Assessment Method	Learning Outcomes	Date	% of Total Grade
Prerequisite Content Assessment	LO1-5	Friday September 15, 2:30 -3:30 PM	10%
Midterm #1 (see Note 1)	LO1-5	Friday October 6, 4:30 – 6:00 PM	25%
Midterm #2 (see Note 2)	LO1-5	Friday November 10, 4:30 – 6:00 PM	25%
Final Exam	LO1-5	Scheduled by Registrar’s Office	40%
			100%

Note 1: if the mark on Midterm #1 is lower than the mark on the final exam, the weighting for Midterm #1 will be reduced to 15% and an additional 10% weight will be applied to the final exam.

Note 2: if the mark on Midterm #2 is lower than the mark on the final exam, the weighting for Midterm #2 will be reduced to 15% and an additional 10% weight will be applied to the final exam.

Course Structure:

Before the Unit	During Class	After the Unit
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Read the assigned Chapter• Read the CPA Canada Handbook when assigned• Try the “Supplemental Problems” listed on the syllabus (solutions are posted on LEARN). These problems will provide support for the problems we will do in class	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Actively listen during the in-class lectures to solidify your understanding of the concepts• Attempt problems or parts of problems on your own and in pairs; participate in the discussion when these are taken-up	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Seek help as needed (from your instructor in office hours or your peers)• Complete in-class problems for the next class and attempt any additional suggested problems

AFM 101 Content Assessment, Mid-term and Final Examinations:

There is an AFM 101 content assessment on Friday, September 15th, two midterm exams (Friday, October 6th and Friday, November 10th) and a final exam. You should expect to be tested on all material including: the text, in-class discussions, problems and lectures. The first midterm will cover Chapters 1 to 4, the second midterm will cover Chapters 5 to Chapter 8.

The final examination will be two and one-half hours duration and will be scheduled by the Registrar's Office during the **Fall term examination period** (December 7 to 21). The final examination is comprehensive, covering all material delivered throughout the course.

Students must bring photo identification (preferably their Watcard) to the prerequisite content assessment, mid-term examinations and final examination. If a student starts to write an examination without photo identification, the examination will not be graded and a mark of 0 will be assigned. All assessments/examinations must be the exclusive work of the individual student.

Written requests for re-grading the prerequisite content assessment and mid-term examinations must be made **within one week after the examination return day**. A written request must be submitted indicating your reasons for believing that a question was improperly graded. The instructor reserves the right to re-grade the entire examination. *“Faculty of Arts policy provides that students who wish to review their final examination papers informally may do so without instituting a formal appeal procedure. Such review will take place under supervised access only, and will be arranged in a way that is mutually convenient for the instructor and the student.”*

UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO AND SCHOOL OF ACCOUNTING & FINANCE POLICIES:

Details regarding School of Accounting and Finance (SAF) policies and U of W policies can be found on the SAF LEARN site “My SAF Community” at: <https://learn.uwaterloo.ca/d21/home/66209>. The LEARN module is titled “SAF Course Syllabus – Policies for Students.”

These policies are an integral part of this course syllabus. They have been posted on the SAF LEARN site as they are not course specific but are common for all SAF program courses. Please ensure that each term you are informed regarding these policies. They include:

School of Accounting and Finance Policies:

- Accommodations for Missed Assessments
- Documentation Requirements Supporting Requests for Accommodation
- Recording of Lectures
- Textbooks and Intellectual Property Rights
- Attendance at the Registered Section

University of Waterloo Policies:

- Academic Integrity
- Grievance
- Discipline
- Appeals
- I-clickers
- Academic Offenses and Implications
- Violation of Standards by Another Student
- Note for Students with Disabilities

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Tentative Course Schedule

The schedule is approximate – some topics will take more time and some less. Adjustments will be made as necessary throughout the term.

Class	Date	Topic	Pre-Class Reading	In-Class Problems	Supplemental Problems (Prepare in advance of class) (see note 1)
1	Thursday Sept 7	Fundamentals of Accounting Theory Brief Intro to Chapter 2 Concepts	Chapter 1	PA-33, P1-2, P1-5, P1-8	P1-3, P1-4, P1-10, Case 1-4
2	Tuesday Sept 12	Conceptual Framework Brief Intro to Chapter 3 Concepts	Chapter 2 “Think Your Way to Clear Writing”	P2-13, P2-15, Case 2-4	P2-1, P2-2, P2-3, P2-22, P2-23, P2-24
3	Thursday Sept 14	Accrual Accounting Concepts	Chapter 3	P3-4, P3-7, P3-15, P3-21	P3-5, P3-9, P3-14, P3-16, P3-19, P3-20
	Friday Sept 15	AFM 101 Prerequisite Knowledge Assessment Friday, September 15th 2:30 to 3:30			
4	Tuesday Sept 19	Accrual Accounting Concepts Brief Intro to Chapter 4 Concepts	<i>Handbook Sections:</i> Subsequent Events: IAS 10 and ASPE Section 3820; Accounting Changes: IAS 8 and ASPE 1506	Field Corporation, P3-30, Huron Safety Corporation, P3-35, Thomas Technologies	P3-29, P3-36
5	Thursday Sept 21	Revenue Recognition	Chapter 4	Screen Printing Inc., Value Mobility, Build Corporation, T. Rump Inc., Zanzibar Corporation, Drug Store Chain	P4-7, P4-8

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6	Tuesday Sept 26	Revenue Recognition	Chapter 4	P4-9, ABC Company, Cell Phone Corp., P4-13, P4-14, P4-16, Webb Consignment, Donald Construction	P4-10, P4-18, P4-19, P4-28
7	Thursday Sept 28	Revenue Recognition	Chapter 4	P4-23, P4-29, P4-33	P4-31, P4-32, P4-36
8	Tuesday Oct 3	Revenue Recognition Brief Intro to Chapter 5 concepts	Chapter 4	Thomas Technologies Corporation, Taylor Construction Corporation	
9	Thursday Oct 5	Cash & Receivables Brief Intro to Chapter 6	Chapter 5	Natural Landscaping Bank Reconciliation, P5-19, P5-34, Factoring Example, P5-37, ABC Inc., P5-40	P5-5, P5-10, P5-13, P5-17, P5-27, P5-33, P36, P38, Case 5-1
	Friday Oct 6	Midterm #1 Friday, October 6th 4:30 to 6:00			
	Monday Oct 9	University Holiday Thanksgiving Day			
	Tuesday Oct 10	University Holiday Study Day			
	Wednesday Oct 11	University Holiday Study Day			
10	Thursday Oct 12 (Tuesday Schedule)	Inventory	Chapter 6, IAS 2, ASPE Section 3031	P6-7, P6-14, P6-28, P6-30	P6-2, P6-5, P6-15, P6-22, P6-27
11	Tuesday Oct 17	Inventory Brief Intro to Chapter 7		P6-32, P6-33, P6-36, P6-40, Bissell Electronics	P6-31, P6-39, Case 6-1

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12	Thursday Oct 19	Financial Assets	Chapter 7	P7-7, P7-13, P7-14, P7-33	P7-6, P7-9, P7-11, P7-12
13	Tuesday Oct 24	Financial Assets	Chapter 7	Kennedy/Psutka, P7-23, P7-24, One/Two/Three Shares, P7-33	P7-18, P7-25, P7-26, P7-32
14	Thursday Oct 26	Financial Assets	Chapter 7	P7-41 Red/Blue/Yellow	P7-38, P7-40
15	Tuesday October 31	Finish Financial Assets Property, Plant & Equipment	Chapter 8 PP&E: IAS 16, ASPE 3061; Borrowing Costs: IAS 23	P8-1, P8-4, SAF Construction, P8-13, Webb Corporation	P8-2, P8-6, P8-7, P8-15
16	Thursday Nov 2	Property, Plant & Equipment	Chapter 8	Furnace Replacement, Thomas Technologies, P8-29, McMahon Corporation	P8-11, P8-12, P8-19, P8-24, P8-35, P8-36
17	Tuesday Nov 7	Property, Plant & Equipment Brief Intro to Chapter 9	Chapter 8	Rock and Roll, P8-44, New Building Construction,	P8-45, Case 8-4
18	Thursday Nov 9	Intangibles, Goodwill, Mineral Resources	Chapter 9	P9-5, P9-7, P9-12, P9-18	P9-6, P9-8, P9-13, P9-16, P9-19
	Friday Nov 10	Midterm #2 Friday, November 10th 4:30 to 6:00			
19	Tuesday Nov 14	Intangibles, Goodwill, Mineral Resources Brief Intro to Chapter 10	Chapter 9	P9-22, P9-33, P9-34, P9-36	P9-21, P9-31, P9-32
20	Thursday Nov 16	Fair Value & Non-Current Assets	Chapter 10	Land Revaluations, Depreciable Revaluations, P10-16	P10-5, P10-6, P10-7, P10-12

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21	Tuesday Nov 21	Fair Value & Non-Current Assets	Chapter 10	P10-19, P10-20, P10-26, P10-35, P10-50	P10-28, P10-30
22	Thursday Nov 23	Fair Value & Non-Current Assets	Chapter 10		
23	Tuesday Nov 28	Statement of Cash Flow	Appendix A	PA-5, PA-9, PA-10, PA-36 (start)	PA-6, PA-30, PA-32
24	Thursday Nov 30	Statement of Cash Flow		PA-36 (finish), PA-44, PA-45	

Note 1: In addition to reading the chapter content, students should attempt the Supplemental Problems before the chapter is discussed in class. This provides an opportunity to assess your understanding of the material. Solutions will be provided before class discussion begins for the chapter.