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COURSE INFORMATION

Current Developments in Accounting and Financial Reporting 2022 # 312322

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CPA 16 (Accepted in all states)

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Course Description

The purpose of this course is to inform the reader of the various changes to accounting and financial reporting affecting the accounting professional. Topics include a review of FASB projects including those related to financial performance, leases, and financial instruments, practice issues involving the statement of cash flows, fair value reporting, pensions, the international convergence project, little GAAP, and more. The structure of the course is to encourage the reader to recall existing GAAP rules coupled with identifying, stating and outlining rules related to new and proposed pronouncements.

The course also includes a discussion of accounting and financial reporting issues related to COVID-19, PPP loans, the Employee Retention Credit (ERC), and the Pass-Through Entity (PTE) Tax.

Course Content

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Final Exam (online): Eighty questions (multiple choice)

Program Delivery Method: Self-Study (NASBA QAS Self-Study/Interactive)

Subject Codes/Field of Study

NASBA (CPA): Accounting

Course Level, Prerequisites, and Advance Preparation Requirements

Program Level: NASBA (CPA), Overview

This program is appropriate for professionals at all organizational levels.

Prerequisites: General understanding of U.S. GAAP

Advance Preparation: None

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LEARNING ASSIGNMENTS AND OBJECTIVES

As a result of studying each assignment, you should be able to meet the objectives listed below for each individual assignment.

I. ASSIGNMENT AND SUBJECT

1. Review the materials from Section I: *Latest Developments on the Accounting Front*
2. Study the review questions and suggested solutions throughout Section I
3. Answer the Review Questions and compare your answers to the Suggested Solutions

After reading the Section I course material, you will be able to:

- Recognize a reason public companies over disclose in their notes to financial statements
- Recall the definition of free cash flow
- Recognize some of the key ratios used to analyze working capital
- Identify some of the symptoms of inefficiently managed working capital
- Recognize one of the characteristics of a multi-employer pension plan
- Recognize the impact that life expectancy has on the amount of a pension liability
- Identify the shift in the types of retirement plans over the past decade
- Recall the types of assets and liabilities found in Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy
- Recognize the type of information that is used to estimate credit losses under ASU 2016-13
- Recognize a key change found in the new lease standard
- Identify how a lessee recognizes a lease liability under the new lease standard
- Identify potential impacts from implementing the new lease standard
- Recognize the general structure of the FASB Accounting Standards Codification (ASC)
- Recall the general GAAP rule for management's evaluation of going concern
- Recognize criteria for presenting a transaction as part of discontinued operations
- Identify a method that can be used to record variable consideration under the revenue standard
- Recognize the approaches that are used to record revenue under the new revenue standard
- Recall the current accounting for goodwill by a public company
- Recognize a feature of high-quality earnings
- Identify a concentration of risk that might require disclosure
- Recall how LIFO should be valued under GAAP
- Identify how to record the forgiveness of a PPP loan in the financial statements
- Recognize how to present the Employee Retention Credit (ERC) in the statement of income
- Identify how to account for the Pass-Through Entity (PTE) Tax under GAAP
- Recognize how to present deferred income taxes on the balance sheet under ASU 2015-17
- Recognize when a state might be able to charge sales tax under the Wayfair decision
- Identify some unusual transactions and how they are recorded on the statement of cash flows

II. ASSIGNMENT AND SUBJECT

1. Review the materials from Section II, *Accounting Standards Updates (ASUs)*
2. Study the review questions and suggested solutions throughout Section II
3. Answer the Review Questions and compare your answers to the Suggested Solutions

After reading the Section II of the course material, you will be able to:

- Identify the private company election to perform a triggering event evaluation
- Recognize the types of arrangements that qualify for the private company accounting alternative election related to goodwill amortization and acquisitions
- Recognize the accounting alternative for leases under common control in ASU 2018-17

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