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## Course Information

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**Course Title:** *Working Capital Management*

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**CPA: 5** (Accepted in all states)

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### Course Description

Poor management of working capital may trigger unexpected cash shortfalls that can cripple a business. This course discusses how to avoid these problems by maintaining tighter control over working capital. *Working Capital Management* does so with specific recommendations for how to manage cash, receivables, inventory, and payables. The course goes even further, describing how to achieve the ultimate goal of zero working capital.

### Course Content

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Final exam (online): Twenty-five questions (multiple-choice).

**Program Delivery Method:** NASBA QAS Self-Study (interactive)

### Subject Codes/Field of Study

NASBA (CPA): Management Services

### Course Level, Prerequisites, and Advance Preparation Requirements

Program level: Overview

Prerequisites: None

Advance Preparation: None

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## **Learning Objectives**

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- Recognize the conditions that can lead to zero working capital.
- Identify the proper type of financing to be used for different working capital conditions.
- Specify the sources of information used for the development of a cash forecast.
- Recognize the benefits of cash concentration and the types of available cash sweeps.
- State the characteristics of the different types of short-term investments.
- Specify how the receivables investment will change in conjunction with differences in payment terms granted.
- Identify the possible contents of a credit rating system and how the scoring is organized.
- Recognize the circumstances under which software can be used to enhance collection activities.
- Specify the structure of the measurements used to monitor accounts receivable.
- State the activities that can be used to reduce the overall investment in inventory.
- Recognize the activities required to ensure the success of a produce to order system.
- Specify the behavioral effects of using inventory measurements.
- Identify the different types of float.
- State the different types of signals that may be sent to a supplier as part of the process of obtaining more credit.
- Specify the operational requirements demanded by lenders for asset-based lending arrangements.
- Recognize the contents of a borrowing base calculation.

## About the Author

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