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Course Information

Course Title: *Fiduciary Accounting* #372024

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CPA: 1.5 (All states)

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Course Description

Fiduciaries need to properly account for an estate or trust, which can be a complex undertaking. It is governed by the rules of the applicable will or trust agreement, as well as the guidelines stated in the Uniform Principal and Income Act. In *Fiduciary Accounting*, we discuss the nature of income and principal, as well as the many rules for allocating receipts and disbursements to them. The course also addresses the rules governing transfers between income and principal, the total return concept, the handling of administration charges, fiduciary accounting schedules, and much more.

Course Content

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Final exam (online): Eight questions (multiple-choice).

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

Subject Codes/Field of Study

NASBA (CPA): Accounting

Course Level, Prerequisites, and Advance Preparation Requirements

Program level: Overview

Prerequisites: None

Advance Preparation: None

Instructions for Taking This Course

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- You must complete this course within one year of purchase (If the course is "Expired," contact us and we will add the latest edition of the course to your account (no charge).
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- A passing grade of at least **70%** is required on the exam for this course.
- You will have three attempts to pass the exam (call or email us after three unsuccessful attempts for instructions).
- The exam is not timed, and it does not need to be completed in one session.
- For a printed copy of the exam questions, open the exam and press "Print Exam."
- Once you pass the exam, the results (correct/incorrect answers) and certificate of completion appear in "My Account." A confirmation email is also sent.
- CFP Board and IRS credit hours, if applicable, are reported on Tuesdays and at the end of the month.

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Learning Assignment & Objectives

- Recognize the different types of trusts.
- Describe the different schedules that may be included in a fiduciary accounting.
- Cite the rule involving possible substitutes for a fiduciary accounting.
- Specify the calculation for net income in an estate or trust.
- Describe the situations in which the carrying value of an asset can be reset.
- Recognize the differing allocation treatments for periodic and non-periodic receipts.
- Specify the situations in which one may validly make a transfer between income and principal.
- Recognize which expenses are specifically chargeable to income and to principal.

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