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## Course Information

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**Course Description**

This course examines and explains the basics of corporate taxation. The focus is on regular or C corporations, their formation, and operation under tax law. The advantages and disadvantage of corporations are examined; incorporation and capitalization issues are discussed; and, basic tax rates and specialty taxes are reviewed. The tax treatment of operational expenses and deductions are outlined; and accounting periods and methods are explored. Finally, the dangers of multiple corporations and corporate distributions are highlighted.

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

**Subject Codes/Field of Study**

NASBA (CPA): Taxes.

IRS (EA, OTRP): Federal Tax Law.

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

Program Level: Overview.

This program is appropriate for professionals at all organizational levels.

Prerequisites: Basic familiarity with federal taxation

Advance Preparation: None

**Course Content**

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

**Instructions for taking this course**

You must complete this course within one year of the date of purchase (if you do not complete the course within one year, contact us to determine whether an updated edition of the course is available, in which case we will provide you with a PDF of the updated course and the online exam at no charge).

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Complete the course by following the learning objectives listed on the following page, studying the text, and studying the review questions at the end of each major section (or at the end of the course). Once you have completed studying the course and you are confident that the learning objectives have been met, answer the final exam questions (online).

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# Learning Assignment & Objectives

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As a result of studying the assigned materials, you should be able to meet the objectives listed below.

## **ASSIGNMENT**

At the start of the materials, participants should identify the following topics for study:

- \* Corporation defined
- \* PSC corporations
- \* Incorporation
- \* Small business stock exclusion
- \* Start-up & organizational expenses
- \* Alternative minimum tax
- \* Capital gains & losses
- \* Accumulated earnings
- \* Accounting periods & methods
- \* Inventories

## **Learning Objectives**

After reading the materials, participants will be able to:

1. Recognize regular corporation elements, specify their advantages and disadvantages specifying tax treatment, and determine how to distinguish them from PSC corporations.
2. Identify §351 requirements for tax-free incorporation, recognize the impact of the transfer of money, property or both by prospective shareholders, and determine the availability of §1244 for stock losses and §195 for amortization of start-up expenditures.
3. Recognize the repeal of the corporate alternative minimum, specify the corporate tax consequences of capital gains and losses, and recognize ways to avert the accumulated earnings trap identifying the potential use of the accumulated earnings credit.
4. Determine accounting periods and methods available to corporations and specify the tax consequences of liquidating property distributions.

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