

**FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING**  
**ECBA 241**  
**Fall 2006**  
**Section 03**

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**Class Times:** 3:30- 4:45 TTh, Buckman Hall 110

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**Text:** *Financial Accounting, 4<sup>th</sup> edition, Kimmel, Weygandt, Kieso*

The Rhodes bookstore has a packet consisting of the text and working papers.

**Course Description:** This course studies the principles of financial accounting which are used to communicate financial information to external parties. The study of financial accounting provides a strong foundation for future courses in business and finance. The student is introduced to theoretical accounting concepts and the practical application of accounting procedures. Techniques used to analyze the nature of business transactions and to record and summarize transactions are emphasized. Preparation and understanding of financial statements is an important component of the course. Students will become familiar with various aspects of the accounting profession, both in public accounting and industry. Finally, the student will learn how accounting relates to all areas of business and the economy.

**Preparation for class meetings:** The probability of successful completion of this course will be significantly influenced by the level of your preparation prior to classroom discussion of the chapter material. The instructor expects you to read the text material and attempt to complete the assigned exercises and problems **before coming to class**.

**Attendance:** Attendance is **mandatory**. Two excused absences will be allowed. Two additional excused absences will be allowed for participation in college-sponsored events. Each additional absence will cause a five-point reduction of the final average for the course.

**Semester Exams:** Three major exams will be given during the semester. Each exam will count 100 points and can consist of multiple choice, discussion questions and problems.

**Final Exam:** The final exam will be comprehensive. The date of the final exam is Friday, December 7, 2006 at 8:30 am. There will be no excused absences from this test. That is, I will not reschedule the date of the exam for any reason, other than an approved medical or college excuse.

**Daily Work:** Quizzes and collection of homework will be used to encourage preparation and attendance. 100 points of work will be graded and will count as your daily work grade. When homework is collected it will be graded based on completeness and will be worth 5 points for each exercise/problem turned in. Quizzes will be valued as announced.

**No make-up quizzes or late homework will be allowed.**

**Ratio Project:** A semester ending project on financial statement and ratio analysis will be handed out the last two weeks of class. The project will test the preparation of methods of analysis including vertical, horizontal and ratio. The completed project is due the last day of class, December 5, 2006.

**Calculator/Pencil:** You are **required** to bring a calculator to class. Also, **ALL WORK** which is turned in for credit must be prepared in pencil.

**Grades:** Total points possible in this course are 560, as follows:

Three exams	300
Final exam (comprehensive)	100
Daily work (quizzes/problems)	100
Ratio project	<u>60</u>
	560

A grading scale of A, A-, B+, B, B-, etc. will be used. Any grade reduction due to excessive absences will be assessed after the grade is determined according to the above procedure.

**Honor System:** This class will be conducted in accordance with the Rhodes College honor system. If you have any questions as to how the honor code applies to work in this class please bring it up for discussion so that everyone will be correctly informed.

**The instructor will consider departure from course schedule and policy as circumstances warrant.**

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ASSIGNMENTS**

MONTH	DATE	DAY	CH	TOPIC	HOMEWORK	
					Exercises	Problems
August	24	TH		Introduction		
	29	T	1	Business Organizations (2-11)	1	1A
	31	TH	1	Financial Statements (12-30)	2,6,11,12	2A,3A,4A
September	5	T	3	Accounting for Transactions (98-114)	1,2,3	2A
	7	TH	3	The Recording Process (114-132)	6,8,10,12	5A
	12	T	4	Accrual Accounting (156-169)	1,2,4	2A
	14	TH	4	Adjusting Entries (169-186)	8,11	7A
	19	T	1,3,4	<b>Exam 1</b>		
	21	TH	2	Financial Statements (46-62)	1,2,3	
	26	T	2	Using the Financial Statements (62-73)		5A,6A, BYP2-6
	28	TH	5	Merchandising	1,2,9,12	
October	3	T	6	Inventories	1,3,5,7,11	5A
	5	TH	7	Internal Controls (314-324)	1, 2, 3	2A
	10	T	7	Cash Controls (324-344)	4,8,11,14	
	12	TH	8	Accounts Receivable (370-380)	1,2,3,4	5A
	17	T		<b>Fall Break</b>		
	19	TH	8	Note Receivable (380-396)	6,7,9,11,12	8A
	24	T	2,5,6,7,8	<b>Exam 2</b>		
	26	TH	9	Plant Assets, Depreciation	2,3,5,6,7	3A,7A
	31	T	10	Current Liabilities, Mortgage (472-480)	3,4,5,6,20	1A
November	2	TH	10	Bonds Payable (480-499; Appendix A)	8,11,16	4A,7A
	7	T	11	The Corporate Form of Organization (532-547)	1,2,5	
	9	TH	11	Distributions to Shareholders (547-564)	4,6,7,10,14	8A

14	T	Appendix D	Accounting for Investments (D1-D7)	1,2,3,6,8	PD-4,PD-5, PD-6
16	TH	9,10,11,appD	<b>Exam 3</b>		
21	T	12	Indirect Statement of Cash Flow (584-604)	1,2,4,5	Ratio project handout
23	TH		<b>Thanksgiving Holiday</b>		
28	T	12	Direct Statement of Cash Flow (604-620)		
30	TH	13	Financial Statement Analysis (644-658)	1, 5, 6	1A, 11A, 12A
December 5	T	13	Financial Statement Analysis	<b>Project Due</b>	
6	TH		<b>Reading Day</b>		
7	Fri		<b>FINAL EXAM (8:30 AM)</b>		
13	Wed		<b>Exams End</b>		