

SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
Honors 331W Honors Seminar III

INSTRUCTORS: Dr. Bala Maniam
Dr. Ross Quarles
Dr. Ed. Blackburn
Dr. Sanjay Mehta

CLASS TIME: 11:00 a.m. – 12:20 p.m.

ROOM: TBA

REQUIRED MATERIAL: See each instructor's section (following pages)

COURSE SCHEDULE: The course is sub-divided into four sections as follows:

8/20 – 9/12 – Finance by Dr. Bala Maniam
9/17- 10/8 – Accounting by Dr. Ross Quarles
10/8 – 11/5 – Economics by Dr. Ed Blackburn
11/7 – 12/10 – Marketing by Dr. Sanjay Mehta
12/10 – Final exam by Dr. Sanjay Mehta

COURSE GRADES: The grades are equally weighted at 25% from each section.

STUDENT SYLLABUS GUIDELINES:

You may find online a more detailed description of the following policies. These guidelines will also provide you with a link to the specific university policy or procedure:

<http://www.shsu.edu/syllabus/>

RELIGIOUS HOLY DAYS:

Students who are absent from class for observance of a religious holy day will be allowed to take an examination or complete an assignment scheduled for that day within one (1) week of returning to class. The student, not later than the 15th calendar day after the first day of the semester, must notify the instructor in writing of each scheduled class day that he/she will be absent for a religious holy day.

DISABLED STUDENTS POLICY:

It is the policy of Sam Houston State University that no otherwise qualified disabled individual shall, solely by reason of his/her disability, be excluded from the participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any academic or Student Life program or activity. Disabled students may request academic assistance when needed from a Committee for Continuing Academic Assistance for Disabled Students by visiting the Director of the Counseling Center in the Lee Drain Building Annex or by calling extension 1720.

ATTENDANCE POLICY:

Students are expected to attend all class meetings and to take part in class activities and discussions.

TOPICS:

Specific topics for each section of the course are provided in the Class Schedule.

ACADEMIC HONESTY:

"Students are expected to maintain complete honesty and integrity in the academic experience both in and out of the class room. Any student found guilty of dishonesty in any phase of academic work will be subjected to disciplinary action." Code of Student Conduct and Discipline, Section 5.3, as printed in *Guidelines*. Members of this class are subject to these guidelines.

**HONORS 331W HONORS SEMINAR III
FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT /INVESTMENT SECTION**

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday: 9:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
Thursday: 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Friday: 12 noon- 2:00 p.m.
Other time: By appointment

REQUIRED TEXT: Instructor will hand out material and journal article

CLASS DATES: 8/20 – 9/12/2007

TOPIC COVERAGE: The section of the course is designed to provide a general framework for the financial management, investment process, and modern portfolio management.

BASIC TOPICS:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>
8/20	Introduction of Financial Management and Investments
8/22	Assets Classes and Financial Instruments
8/27	Stock Market and Bond Market Indicators and Mechanics of Stock Market
8/29	How Firms Issue Securities
9/3	Holiday
9/5	How Securities are Traded
9/10	How Securities are Traded (Continue)
9/12	Assignment Due and Exam

EXAMS: One comprehensive in class exam to be taken on 9/12/2000 (70 percent of the grade)

ASSIGNMENT: One large assignment will be assigned and collected. (30 percent of the grade), due on 9/12

GRADES: The grade from this section is as follows:

Exam (in class)	70 points
Assignment (take home)	<u>30 points</u>
Total	100 points

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Course Syllabus – Fall 2007
ACCOUNTING

COURSE NUMBER: Hon 331W

COURSE TITLE: Honors Seminar III - Accounting

PREREQUISITES: n/a

INSTRUCTOR: Ross Quarles, PhD, CPA
Professor, Department of Accounting

OFFICE: Smith-Hutson Business Building 311J

OFFICE Hours: Tu – Th 9:30 – 12:00

**OFFICE TELEPHONE
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REQUIRED TEXT: No textbook required. Instructor will provide handouts.

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course is designed to provide students with the fundamental knowledge of how business activities affect and are affected by contemporary social, economic, political and international issues. The role each of the business disciplines and their interaction in relation to these issues will be examined.

This course is divided into four segments: accounting, finance, economics, and management/marketing. Each segment will be taught by a different faculty member. The final grade in the course will be equally weighted by the individual grades in each segment.

COURSE OBJECTIVES: ACCOUNTING

Upon completion of the accounting section of this course student will have learned:

1. To identify the elements of financial reporting (assets, liabilities, equity, expenses, and revenues)
2. To accurately and properly record and process accounting transactions
3. To determine financial position, results of operations, and cash flow from basic accounting data
4. To prepare a balance sheet, an income statement, a statement of cash flows and to interpret the meaning of these statements.

GRADING AND ASSIGNMENTS: ACCOUNTING

HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENTS: These assignments will be distributed at the end of the period in which they are listed. They are due for submission at the beginning of the following class meeting. See Class Schedule for specific assignments.

IN CLASS EXERCISES/PROBLEMS: During class meetings, exercises and problems may be assigned that are to be completed and submitted for grading during that session. The exercises/problems for each session will address the issues and items studied and presented in the case reading assigned for that class session. These exercises will also address the same issues as do the homework assignments for that class session.

Grade for Accounting: The grade for the accounting portion of this class will be determined as follows:

Homework	70%
Final Examination	30%

The Final Examination is a take home exam which you will complete (on your own) and return to the instructor. Your lowest homework grade will not be counted in your homework average. If that lowest grade is a zero because of absence or failure to turn in a homework assignment, then the zero will be the grade dropped and all other homework grades will be used to computer the homework grade.

MAKEUP UNIT EXAMS and LATE HOMEWORK:

There are no makeup exams in the Accounting portion of this course given that the only exam is the Final Exam. Regarding homework, it is due on the day assigned. If you do not hand it in on that day for whatever reason, a zero (0) will be recorded for that homework assignment.