



## **Federal Tax Accounting II**

**ACCT 4306 – 110 (CRN 10013)**

**Spring 2019**

### **INSTRUCTOR AND CONTACT INFORMATION**

**Instructor:** Donald (Don) Senior, MBA, CPA

**Email:** For communication, please use the Canvas “Inbox” messages. Should you write me an email, please mention your name and course title in the Subject line.

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**Office Hours:** I am available before class on Tuesday and Thursday or by appointment

#### **Mode of instruction and course access:**

This course meets face-to-face on Tuesdays and Thursdays room 312.

This course uses the A&M-Central Texas Canvas Learning Management System [<https://tamuct.instructure.com>].

#### **Student-instructor interaction:**

I am available before class Tuesday and Thursdays to provide. In addition, I will be checking Canvas “Inbox” and replying to student messages frequently.

#### **911 Cellular:**

Emergency Warning System for Texas A&M University – Central Texas

911Cellular is an emergency notification service that gives Texas A&M University-Central Texas the ability to communicate health and safety emergency information quickly via email, text message, and social media. All students are automatically enrolled in 911 Cellular through their myCT email account.

Connect at [911Cellular](https://portal.publicsafetycloud.net/Texas-AM-Central/alert-management) [<https://portal.publicsafetycloud.net/Texas-AM-Central/alert-management>] to change where you receive your alerts or to opt out. By staying enrolled in 911Cellular, university officials can quickly pass on safety-related information, regardless of your location.

### **COURSE INFORMATION**

#### **Course Overview and description:**

This course covers current income tax law and regulations with special emphasis on income tax legislation, treasury and court decisions, departmental rulings, and income tax problems and returns, for businesses.

**Course Objective:**

The purpose of this course is to prepare the student to interpret and apply the U.S. Internal Revenue Code provisions, acquire the basic knowledge necessary to prepare tax forms, and acquire the ability to research a tax question and use the information gained to answer client questions and tax plan. Additionally, the student completes the course with an appropriate level of knowledge to successfully pass related sections of the CPA Exam.

**Student Learning Outcomes:**

This course covers Chapters 15-26 with the learning objectives for each chapter as follows:

Chapter 15 - Taxing Business Income

Chapter 16 - Accounting Periods and Methods

Chapter 17 - Corporations: Introduction and Operating Rules

Chapter 18 - Corporations: Organization and Capital Structure

Chapter 19 - Corporations: Distributions Not in Liquidation

Chapter 20 - Corporations: Distributions in Liquidation & Reorgs

Chapter 21 – Partnerships

Chapter 23 - Exempt Entities

Chapter 24 - Multistate Corporate Taxation

Chapter 25 - Taxation of International Transactions

Chapter 26 - Tax Practice and Ethics

**Required Reading and Textbook(s):**

South-Western Federal Taxation 2020: Comprehensive, 2020 Edition

Authors: David M. Maloney, William A. Raabe, William H. Hoffman, Jr., James C. Young

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ISBN-978-0-357-10914-4

## **COURSE REQUIREMENTS**

This course is made up of a series of assignments and assessments to assist you in achieving the course and learning objectives/outcomes. Each week you will work on various combinations of assignments, activities, discussions, readings, research, etc.

**Homework (11) – 25 points each (275 total points):** Students will be assigned homework Questions and Problems from the end of most chapters. The homework must be done in either Excel or Word and uploaded to Canvas. Alternatively, some homework questions will be answered in Canvas. The details, including due date and time, will be listed in Canvas.

**Discussion Questions (10) – 15 points each (150 total points):** Tax professionals need to be able to write well in order to be effective. In order to hone this skill, discussion questions will be assigned for most chapters. The details, including due date and time, will be listed in Canvas.

**Quizzes (10) -- 20 points each (200 total points):** Quizzes will be given for most chapters. This will gauge how much you learned in a given chapter and also prepare for you for the exams. The details, including due date and time, will be listed in Canvas and discussed in class.

**Exams (3) – 100 points each (300 total points):** Three exams will be given during the semester. The details, including due date and time, will be listed in Canvas and discussed in class.

### **Grading Criteria Rubric and Conversion**

<b>Course Element</b>	<b>Number Given</b>	<b>Points</b>	<b>Total Points</b>	<b>Percent of Course Grade</b>
Exams	3	100	300	30.0%
Quizzes	10	20	200	20.0%
Homework	11	25	275	27.5%
Discussion Questions	10	15	150	15.0%
Class Participation		75	75	7.5%
<b>Total</b>		<b>235</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Grade Equivalents:</b>				
900 to 1,000 points = A				
800 to 899 points = B				
700 to 799 points = C				
600 to 699 points = D				
0 to 599 points = F				

### **Posting of Grades**

Upon receipt of the class assignments, quizzes, and exams, turn-around time for grades will be no more than two weeks. Grades to be posted on the Canvas Grade book where students can monitor their status.

### **COURSE OUTLINE AND CALENDAR**

<b>Week</b>	<b>Week of</b>	<b>Topic</b>
Week 1	January 13, 2020	Course Introduction
Week 2	January 20, 2020	Chapter 15 - Taxing Business Income
Week 3	January 27, 2020	Chapter 16 - Accounting Periods and Methods
Week 4	February 3, 2020	Chapter 17 - Corporations: Introduction and Operating Rules
Week 5	February 10, 2020	Exam #1
Week 6	February 17, 2020	Chapter 18 - Corporations: Organization and Capital Structure
Week 7	February 24, 2020	Chapter 19 - Corporations: Distributions Not in Liquidation
Week 8	March 3, 2020	Chapter 20 - Corporations: Distributions in Liquidation & Reorgs
Week 9	March 10, 2020	Spring Break - No Class
Week 10	March 17, 2020	Chapter 21 - Partnerships
Week 11	March 24, 2020	Exam #2
Week 12	March 31, 2020	Chapter 22 - S Corporations
Week 13	April 7, 2020	Chapter 23 - Exempt Entities
Week 14	April 14, 2020	Chapter 24 - Multistate Corporate Taxation
Week 15	April 21, 2020	Chapter 25 - Taxation of International Transactions
Week 16	April 28, 2020	Chapter 26 - Tax Practice and Ethics
Week 17	May 5, 2020	Exam #3

## **TECHNOLOGY REQUIREMENTS AND SUPPORT**

### **Technology Requirements.**

This course will use the A&M-Central Texas Instructure Canvas learning management system.

Logon to A&M-Central Texas Canvas [<https://tamuct.instructure.com>].

Username: Your MyCT username (xx123 or everything before the "@" in your MyCT e- mail address)

Password: Your MyCT password

### **Technology Support.**

For log-in problems, students should contact Help Desk Central. 24 hours a day, 7 days a week:

Email: [helpdesk@tamu.edu](mailto:helpdesk@tamu.edu) Phone: (254)

519-5466 [Web Chat](http://hdc.tamu.edu): [<http://hdc.tamu.edu>]

*Please let the support technician know you are an A&M-Central Texas student.*

For issues with **Canvas**, select "chat with Canvas support," submit a support request to Canvas Tier 1, or call the Canvas support line: 1-844-757-0953, links to all are found inside of Canvas using the "Help" link.

For issues related to course content and requirements, contact your instructor.

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## **UNIVERSITY RESOURCES, PROCEDURES, AND GUIDELINES**

### **Drop Policy.**

If you discover that you need to drop this class, you must complete a

[Drop Request Form](#)

[[https://www.tamuct.edu/registrar/docs/Drop\\_Request\\_Form.pdf](https://www.tamuct.edu/registrar/docs/Drop_Request_Form.pdf)].

Professors cannot drop students; this is always the responsibility of the student. The Registrar's Office will provide a deadline on the University Calendar for which the form must be completed, signed and returned. Once you return the signed form to the Registrar's Office, you must go into Warrior Web and confirm that you are no longer enrolled. If you still show as enrolled, FOLLOW-UP with the Registrar's Office immediately. You are to attend class until the procedure is complete to avoid penalty for absence. Should you miss the drop deadline or fail to follow the procedure, you will receive an F in the course, which may affect your financial aid and/or VA educational benefits.

### **Academic Integrity.**

Texas A&M University-Central Texas values the integrity of the academic enterprise and strives for the highest standards of academic conduct. A&M-Central Texas expects its students, faculty, and staff to support the adherence to high standards of personal and scholarly conduct to preserve the honor and integrity of the creative community.

Academic integrity is defined as a commitment to honesty, trust, fairness, respect, and responsibility. Any deviation by students from this expectation may result in a failing grade for the assignment and potentially a failing grade for the course. Academic misconduct is any act that improperly affects a true and honest evaluation of a student's academic performance and includes, but is not

limited to, cheating on an examination or other academic work, plagiarism and improper citation of sources, using another student's work, collusion, and the abuse of resource materials. All academic misconduct concerns will be reported to the university's Office of Student Conduct. Ignorance of the university's standards and expectations is never an excuse to act with a lack of integrity. When in doubt on collaboration, citation, or any issue, please contact your instructor before taking a course of action.

### **Academic Accommodations.**

At Texas A&M University-Central Texas, we value an inclusive learning environment where every student has an equal chance to succeed and has the right to a barrier free education. The Department of Access and Inclusion is responsible for ensuring that students with a disability receive equal access to the University's programs, services and activities. If you believe you have a disability requiring reasonable accommodations please contact the Department of Access and Inclusion at (254) 501-5831. Any information you provide is private and confidential and will be treated as such.

For more information please visit our [Access & Inclusion](https://www.tamuct.edu/departments/access-inclusion) webpage  
[<https://www.tamuct.edu/departments/access-inclusion>].

Texas A&M University-Central Texas supports students who are pregnant and/or parenting. In accordance with requirements of Title IX and guidance from US Department of Education's Office of Civil Rights, the Dean of Student Affairs' Office can assist students who are pregnant and/or parenting in seeking accommodations related to pregnancy and/or parenting. For more information, please visit <https://www.tamuct.departments/index.php>. Students may also contact the institution's Title IX Coordinator. If you would like to read more about these [requirements and guidelines online](#), please visit the website [<http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/docs/pregnancy.pdf>].

### **Tutoring.**

Tutoring is available to all A&M-Central Texas students, both on-campus and online. On-campus subjects tutored include Accounting, Advanced Math, Biology, Finance, Statistics, Mathematics, and Study Skills. Tutors are available at the Tutoring Center in Warrior Hall, Suite 111.

If you have a question regarding tutor schedules, need to schedule a tutoring session, are interested in becoming a tutor, or any other question, contact Academic Support Programs at 254-519-5796, or by emailing Larry Davis at [lldavis@tamuct.edu](mailto:lldavis@tamuct.edu).

Chat live with a tutor 24/7 for almost any subject on your computer! Tutor.com is an online tutoring platform that enables A&M-Central Texas students to log-in and receive FREE online tutoring and writing support. This tool provides tutoring in over forty subject areas. Access Tutor.com through Canvas.

**The University Writing Center.**

Located in 416 Warrior Hall, the University Writing Center (UWC) at Texas A&M University-Central Texas is a free workspace open to all TAMUCT students from 10am- 5pm Monday-Thursday with satellite hours in the University Library on Mondays from 6:00-9:00pm. Students may arrange a one-on-one session with a trained and experienced writing tutor by visiting the UWC during normal operating hours (both half-hour and hour sessions are available) or by making an appointment via [WOnline](#)

[<https://tamuct.mywconline.com/>]. In addition, you can email Dr. Bruce Bowles Jr. at [bruce.bowles@tamuct.edu](mailto:bruce.bowles@tamuct.edu) to schedule an online tutoring session. Tutors are prepared to help writers of all levels and abilities at any stage of the writing process.

While tutors will not write, edit, or grade papers, they will assist students in developing more effective composing practices. By providing a practice audience for students' ideas and writing, our tutors highlight the ways in which they read and interpret students' texts, offering guidance and support throughout the various stages of the writing process. In addition, students may work independently in the UWC by checking out a laptop that runs the Microsoft Office suite and connects to WIFI, or by consulting our resources on writing, including all of the relevant style guides. Whether you need help brainstorming ideas, organizing an essay, proofreading, understanding proper citation practices, or just want a quiet place to work, the University Writing Center is here to help!

If you have any questions about the University Writing Center, please do not hesitate to contact Dr. Bruce Bowles Jr. at [bruce.bowles@tamuct.edu](mailto:bruce.bowles@tamuct.edu).

**University Library.**

The University Library provides many services in support of research across campus and at a distance. We offer over 200 electronic databases containing approximately 250,000 eBooks and 82,000 journals, in addition to the 72,000 items in our print collection, which can be mailed to students who live more than 50 miles from campus. Research guides for each subject taught at A&M-Central Texas are available through our website to help students navigate these resources. On-campus, the library offers technology including cameras, laptops, microphones, webcams, and digital soundrecorders.

Research assistance from a librarian is also available twenty-four hours a day through our online chat service, and at the reference desk when the library is open. Research sessions can be scheduled for more comprehensive assistance, and may take place on Skype or in- person at the library. Assistance may cover many topics, including how to find articles in peer-reviewed journals, how to cite resources, and how to piece together research for written assignments.

Our 27,000-square-foot facility on the A&M-Central Texas main campus includes student lounges, private study rooms, group work spaces, computer labs, family areas suitable for all ages, and many other features. Services such as interlibrary loan, TexShare, binding, and laminating are available. The library frequently offers workshops, tours, readings, and other events. For more information, please visit our [Library website](https://tamuct.libguides.com/) [https://tamuct.libguides.com/].

## **INSTRUCTOR POLICIES**

**Quality of Work:** All work submitted for grading shall be of under graduate level quality. Depth of analysis, grammatical structure, etc.

**Identifying Submissions:** Submissions must clearly identify the student and the title of the assignment.

**Late Submissions:** Late submissions will be penalized starting at 10% of the grade and up to no more than half credit unless otherwise stipulated.

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