



# ACCT20076 Foundations of Management Accounting

## Term 1 - 2017

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## General Information

### Overview

This unit introduces management accounting and enables you to explain its role in efficient resource allocation. You will be introduced to the traditional and modern approaches to costing for evaluation and effective decision making. The role of management accounting in performance evaluation is addressed in such areas as budgeting, cost-volume-profit analysis, variance analysis, job costing, process costing, and activity-based costing. If you have successfully completed the unit ACCT20053 you should not enrol in this unit.

### Details

Career Level: *Postgraduate*

Unit Level: *Level 9*

Credit Points: 6

Student Contribution Band: 10

Fraction of Full-Time Student Load: 0.125

### Pre-requisites or Co-requisites

Prerequisite: ACCT20070 Accounting in Australia

Important note: Students enrolled in a subsequent unit who failed their pre-requisite unit, should drop the subsequent unit before the census date or within 10 working days of Fail grade notification. Students who do not drop the unit in this timeframe cannot later drop the unit without academic and financial liability. See details in the [Assessment Policy and Procedure \(Higher Education Coursework\)](#).

### Offerings For Term 1 - 2017

- Brisbane
- Distance
- Melbourne
- Sydney

### Attendance Requirements

All on-campus students are expected to attend scheduled classes - in some units, these classes are identified as a mandatory (pass/fail) component and attendance is compulsory. International students, on a student visa, must maintain a full time study load and meet both attendance and academic progress requirements in each study period (satisfactory attendance for International students is defined as maintaining at least an 80% attendance record).

### Website

[This unit has a website, within the Moodle system, which is available two weeks before the start of term. It is important that you visit your Moodle site throughout the term. Please visit Moodle for more information.](#)

## Class and Assessment Overview

### Recommended Student Time Commitment

Each 6-credit Postgraduate unit at CQUniversity requires an overall time commitment of an average of 12.5 hours of study per week, making a total of 150 hours for the unit.

### Class Timetable

#### [Regional Campuses](#)

Bundaberg, Cairns, Emerald, Gladstone, Mackay, Rockhampton, Townsville

#### [Metropolitan Campuses](#)

Adelaide, Brisbane, Melbourne, Perth, Sydney

### Assessment Overview

#### 1. **Online Test**

Weighting: 10%

#### 2. **Practical and Written Assessment**

Weighting: 30%

#### 3. **Examination**

Weighting: 60%

### Assessment Grading

This is a graded unit: your overall grade will be calculated from the marks or grades for each assessment task, based on the relative weightings shown in the table above. You must obtain an overall mark for the unit of at least 50%, or an overall grade of 'pass' in order to pass the unit. If any 'pass/fail' tasks are shown in the table above they must also be completed successfully ('pass' grade). You must also meet any minimum mark requirements specified for a particular assessment task, as detailed in the 'assessment task' section (note that in some instances, the minimum mark for a task may be greater than 50%). Consult the [University's Grades and Results Policy](#) for more details of interim results and final grades.

## CQUniversity Policies

**All University policies are available on the [CQUniversity Policy site](#).**

You may wish to view these policies:

- Grades and Results Policy
- Assessment Policy and Procedure (Higher Education Coursework)
- Review of Grade Procedure
- Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure
- Monitoring Academic Progress (MAP) Policy and Procedure – Domestic Students
- Monitoring Academic Progress (MAP) Policy and Procedure – International Students
- Student Refund and Credit Balance Policy and Procedure
- Student Feedback – Compliments and Complaints Policy and Procedure
- Information and Communications Technology Acceptable Use Policy and Procedure

This list is not an exhaustive list of all University policies. The full list of University policies are available on the [CQUniversity Policy site](#).

## Previous Student Feedback

### Feedback, Recommendations and Responses

Every unit is reviewed for enhancement each year. At the most recent review, the following staff and student feedback items were identified and recommendations were made.

#### Feedback from Moodle

**Feedback**

Assessment requirement to be stated more clearly.

**Recommendation**

To clearly explain in class and to outline on the moodle website the expectations of assessment tasks.

## Unit Learning Outcomes

**On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:**

1. Analyse and report on the usefulness of management accounting for ensuring that business resources are allocated effectively and efficiently
2. Interpret, analyse and report on the behaviour of costs and their management
3. Interpret and report on the purposes of budgeting for planning and control, including the calculation and analysis of budget variances
4. Analyse and report on alternative methods of valuing and allocating overhead costs, and correctly apply the most appropriate methods for a given situation
5. Analyse and report on the interaction between inventory costs, profit and loss, and the balance sheet, and explain their relevance to the firm's financial position
6. Demonstrate application of selected theories into various management accounting phenomena.

## Alignment of Learning Outcomes, Assessment and Graduate Attributes



### Alignment of Assessment Tasks to Learning Outcomes

Assessment Tasks	Learning Outcomes					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
1 - Knowledge	○	○	○	○	○	○
2 - Communication	○	○	○	○	○	○
3 - Cognitive, technical and creative skills	○	○	○	○	○	○
4 - Research						○
5 - Self-management						○
6 - Ethical and Professional Responsibility						○
7 - Leadership						
8 - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultures						

### Alignment of Assessment Tasks to Graduate Attributes

Assessment Tasks	Graduate Attributes							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1 - Online Test - 10%	○		○					
2 - Practical and Written Assessment - 30%	○	○	○					
3 - Examination - 60%	○		○					

## Textbooks and Resources

### Textbooks

ACCT20076

#### Prescribed

#### **ACCT20076 Foundations of Management Accounting CB**

Edition: 1 (2017)

Authors: Sardesai

Pearson Australia

Victoria , Australia

ISBN: 9781488613401

Binding: Paperback

#### Additional Textbook Information

This textbook has been designed for CQUniversity students at an affordable price of \$62.95/=:, and hard copies can be purchased from CQU Bookshop campuses at Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane.

An eBook version of this textbook is also available at a price of \$50, and can be purchased online at:

<http://www.pearson.com.au/products/?sq=9781488613685>.

[View textbooks at the CQUniversity Bookshop](#)

### IT Resources

**You will need access to the following IT resources:**

- CQUniversity Student Email
- Internet
- Unit Website (Moodle)

## Referencing Style

All submissions for this unit must use the referencing style: [American Psychological Association 6th Edition \(APA 6th edition\)](#)

For further information, see the Assessment Tasks.

## Teaching Contacts

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## Schedule

### Week 1 - 06 Mar 2017

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
The Manager and Management Accounting	1	Assessment Task 1 : On-line Trial Test

### Week 2 - 13 Mar 2017

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
An Introduction to Cost Terms and Purposes	2	Assessment Task 1: On-line Test 1

### Week 3 - 20 Mar 2017

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Cost-Volume-Profit Analysis	3	Assessment Task 1: On-line Test 2

**Week 4 - 27 Mar 2017**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Job Costing	4	Assessment Task 1: On-line Test 3

**Week 5 - 03 Apr 2017**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Activity-Based Costing and Activity-Based Management	5	Assessment Task 1: On-line Test 4

**Vacation Week - 10 Apr 2017**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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**Week 6 - 17 Apr 2017**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Allocation of Support Department Costs, Common Costs and Revenues	15	Assessment Task 1: On-line Test 5

**Week 7 - 24 Apr 2017**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Master Budget and Responsibility Accounting	6	Assessment Task 1: On-line Test 6 Assessment Task 2: Practical and Written Group Assessment. Due to be submitted to your Lecturer in your respective workshops in Week 7 (If your workshop is on a public holiday during the week, it becomes due the next day).

**Week 8 - 01 May 2017**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Flexible Budgets, Direct Cost Variances and Management Control	7	Assessment Task 1: On-line Test 7

**Week 9 - 08 May 2017**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Flexible Budgets, Overhead Cost Variances, and Management Control	8	Assessment Task 1: On-line Test 8

**Week 10 - 15 May 2017**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Decision Making and Relevant Information	11	Assessment Task 1: On-line Test 9

**Week 11 - 22 May 2017**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Performance Measurement, Compensation and Multinational Considerations	23	Assessment Task 1: On-line Test 10

**Week 12 - 29 May 2017**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Revision Lecture	All chapters	

**Review/Exam Week - 05 Jun 2017**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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**Exam Week - 12 Jun 2017**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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## Assessment Tasks

### 1 On-line Tests in Moodle

#### Assessment Type

Online Test

#### Task Description

This assessment tasks consists of 10 on-line tests (consisting of true/false and multiple choice questions).

Each of the 10 on-line tests is worth 1% of the total grade for the unit. The on-line tests will be open on a weekly basis from weeks 1 to 11, with week 1 being a trial on-line test to get the students familiar with the process.

The materials assessed in each on-line test will be on key concepts to be covered in the following week's workshop. For example on-line Test 2 (open on the Friday of week 1 and close on Monday of week 2) will assess the content to be taught in week 2. The purpose of the on-line test is to enable the students to prepare for the workshop prior to attending the workshop. This will allow students to grasp the material covered during the workshop, engage effectively with teams, and create a good learning environment in the workshop.

Each on-line test will open at 1.00 PM AEST on the Friday and close at 09:00 am on Monday the following week. For example on-line Test 2 will open at 1.00 PM AEST on the Friday in week 1 (11 November) and close at 09:00 am on Monday in week 2 (14 November). You have a window of 68 hours to review your learning materials and attempt the on-line test.

You can only make one attempt at each on-line test and you have 20 minutes to complete each on-line test after you start it. Each test will consist of 10 true/false questions.

#### Assessment Due Date

Due every week from weeks 2 to 12.

#### Return Date to Students

Results will be available in Moodle immediately after each on-line test closes. The on-line test answers will be discussed on a weekly basis during the workshop.

#### Weighting

10%

#### Assessment Criteria

The tests are marked on-line and the answers are based on accuracy.

#### Referencing Style

- [American Psychological Association 6th Edition \(APA 6th edition\)](#)

#### Submission

Online

#### Submission Instructions

Submit within 20 minutes from starting time. You only have one attempt for each test. Please start the test at least half an hour before it closes at 9am on the Monday. The test closes at 9am and the system will log you out automatically.

#### Learning Outcomes Assessed

- Analyse and report on the usefulness of management accounting for ensuring that business resources are allocated effectively and efficiently
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#### Graduate Attributes

- Knowledge
- Cognitive, technical and creative skills

## 2 Practical and Written Group Assessment

### Assessment Type

Practical and Written Assessment

### Task Description

This assessment task consists of a case study and your group will be required to review the case study and prepare an executive report. Content and format of the executive report will be provided on moodle when the assessment task becomes available.

This assessment task will be available in Moodle in Week 3 and is due back in Week 7.

This assessment task is to be completed in a team of 3-5 students. Group numbers will depend on enrollment numbers each term.

This assessment task is worth 30% of the total grade for the unit.

### Assessment Due Date

This assessment task is due in Week 7 and is to be submitted to your Lecturer at the beginning of the Workshop.

### Return Date to Students

You will receive your assessment back two weeks from the date that your assignment reaches the marker.

### Weighting

30%

### Assessment Criteria

When preparing your assignment, you should refer to the assessment criteria as well as to any relevant advice posted in Moodle by the Unit Coordinator.

### Referencing Style

- [American Psychological Association 6th Edition \(APA 6th edition\)](#)

### Submission

Offline Group

### Submission Instructions

Submit hard copies of your answers for the assessment. Ensure all student names, student IDs and student signatures appear on the cover page of the group assignment.

### Learning Outcomes Assessed

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### Graduate Attributes

- Knowledge
- Communication
- Cognitive, technical and creative skills

## Examination

### Outline

Complete an invigilated examination.

### Date

During the examination period at a CQUniversity examination centre.

### Weighting

60%

### Length

150 minutes



**Exam Conditions**

Closed Book.

**Materials**

Calculator - non-programmable, no text retrieval, silent only

Dictionary - non-electronic, concise, direct translation only (dictionary must not contain any notes or comments).

## Academic Integrity Statement

As a CQUniversity student you are expected to act honestly in all aspects of your academic work.

Any assessable work undertaken or submitted for review or assessment must be your own work. Assessable work is any type of work you do to meet the assessment requirements in the unit, including draft work submitted for review and feedback and final work to be assessed.

When you use the ideas, words or data of others in your assessment, you must thoroughly and clearly acknowledge the source of this information by using the correct referencing style for your unit. Using others' work without proper acknowledgement may be considered a form of intellectual dishonesty.

Participating honestly, respectfully, responsibly, and fairly in your university study ensures the CQUniversity qualification you earn will be valued as a true indication of your individual academic achievement and will continue to receive the respect and recognition it deserves.

As a student, you are responsible for reading and following CQUniversity's policies, including the [Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure](#). This policy sets out CQUniversity's expectations of you to act with integrity, examples of academic integrity breaches to avoid, the processes used to address alleged breaches of academic integrity, and potential penalties.

**What is a breach of academic integrity?**

A breach of academic integrity includes but is not limited to plagiarism, self-plagiarism, collusion, cheating, contract cheating, and academic misconduct. The Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure defines what these terms mean and gives examples.

**Why is academic integrity important?**

A breach of academic integrity may result in one or more penalties, including suspension or even expulsion from the University. It can also have negative implications for student visas and future enrolment at CQUniversity or elsewhere. Students who engage in contract cheating also risk being blackmailed by contract cheating services.

**Where can I get assistance?**

For academic advice and guidance, the [Academic Learning Centre \(ALC\)](#) can support you in becoming confident in completing assessments with integrity and of high standard.

**What can you do to act with integrity?**



**Be Honest**

If your assessment task is done by someone else, it would be dishonest of you to claim it as your own



**Seek Help**

If you are not sure about how to cite or reference in essays, reports etc, then seek help from your lecturer, the library or the Academic Learning Centre (ALC)



**Produce Original Work**

Originality comes from your ability to read widely, think critically, and apply your gained knowledge to address a question or problem