

Course Outline (Higher Education)

School: Federation Business School

Course Title: ACCOUNTING PROJECT

Course ID: BUACC3791

Credit Points: 15.00

Prerequisite(s): (Please note BUACC2603 and BUACC2606 or BUACC3706, or BUACC2613 and

BUACC2614 or BUACC3714.) (BUACC2603 and BUACC3706) OR (BUACC2613

and BUACC3714) (At least 180 credit points from ANY subject-area at any

level)

Co-requisite(s): Nil

Exclusion(s): Nil

ASCED Code: 080101

Description of the Course:

This course will enable students to extend their knowledge and understanding of a chosen area of interest relating to accounting. Students will gain an appreciation and understanding of research methods, learn how to prepare a research a proposal, develop the capacity to apply theoretical concepts to practical accounting issues, develop skills in research and project management, and enhance their written communication skills.

Grade Scheme: Graded (HD, D, C, etc.)

Placement Component: No

Supplementary Assessment: Yes

Where supplementary assessment is available a student must have failed overall in the course but gained a final mark of 45 per cent or above and submitted all major assessment tasks..

Program Level:

AQF Level of Program							
	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Level							
Introductory							
Intermediate							
Advanced			~				

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Learning Outcomes:

This course is designed to enable students to develop their knowledge and skills in research and accounting and to apply this learning within the context of a specific research project.

Knowledge:

- **K1.** Relate the particular accounting topic to the subject of the project, including relevant underlying principles and concepts
- **K2.** Assess how and where the selected topic is situated within the broader fields of accounting knowledge, practice and research
- **K3.** Identify and critically review literature relevant to the accounting project topic
- **K4.** Outline the ethical issues related to the accounting project
- **K5.** Justify the research method selected to be used in the accounting project being undertaken

Skills:

- **S1.** Identify a pertinent accounting research issue or question and formulate an appropriate method for investigation
- **S2.** Critique and apply theoretical and practical accounting concepts acquired in prerequisite units to the project
- **S3.** Analyse, synthesise and consolidate the findings of the accounting research project
- **S4.** Prepare a written report that clearly and coherently details all aspects of the accounting project

Application of knowledge and skills:

- **A1.** Independently undertake and manage an accounting research project of a scale commensurate to the credit point weighting of the course, including designing and carrying out the research method
- **A2.** Undertake and manage the accounting research project with a high level of independence
- **A3.** Be accountable for ensuring that the accounting project is completed on a timely basis and that ethical protocols are observed

Course Content:

Students undertaking this course will work through the following sequence of events under the supervision of an academic supervisor:

Topics may include:

- development of a research proposal
- critical review of relevant literature
- undertaking of research activity
- preparation of project report

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Values:

- **V1.** appreciate the importance of ethics in the conduct of academic research
- **V2.** value the process of discovery inherent in undertaking a research project
- **V3.** appreciate the importance of reflecting on a research project and value this process as an integral component of life-long learning

Graduate Attributes:

FedUni graduate attributes statement. To have graduates with knowledge, skills and competence that enable them to stand out as critical, creative and enquiring learners who are capable, flexible and work ready, and responsible, ethical and engaged citizens.

Attribute	Brief Description	Focus
Knowledge, skills and competence	By undertaking an independent research project students will develop the skills and motivation to acquire new knowledge and skills	High
Critical, creative and enquiring learners	By undertaking the research project on an independent basis students will develop a high degree of self reliance	High
Capable, flexible and work ready	The knowledge, skills values developed in this course will contribute to enabling students to pursue a successful and responsible career in professional accounting	Medium
Responsible, ethical and engaged citizens	Students will be required to ensure that the research project is undertaken in an ethically responsible manner	High

Learning Task and Assessment:

Learning Outcomes Assessed	Learning Tasks	Assessment Type	Weighting
K1, K2, S1, S2	Prepare a project proposal.	Written proposal	15% Hurdle
K4, K5	Present the research methodology to be applied	Power-Point presentation	15% Hurdle
K3	Review of literature	Annotated bibliography	20%
S3, S4 A1, A2, A3	Prepare a research report	Written report	50%

Adopted Reference Style:

APA