University of California San Diego



Economics 4

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Financial Accounting

1. Texts:

Core Concepts of Accounting, 8th edition, Anthony & Breitner, Prentice Hall.

Financial Accounting READER; Willoughby (UCSD Bookstore)

<u>The Number</u> by Alex Berenson: *Forward, Prologue, and Introduction* only – available on Soft Reserves

Course Webpage: www.http://econ.ucsd.edu/~mwilloug/econ4.html

 Online links to Course Introduction, Rules of the Road, Calendar, and contact information for the Teaching Fellows.

2. Grading

Final grades will be determined as follows

•	Twenty in-class Quizzes given randomly	20 x 1% = 20%
•	Mid-quarter Exam	25%
•	Three Problem Sets	$3 \times 5\% = 15\%$
•	Final Exam	40%

You will need 3x5 index cards for all quizzes. No substitutes! There will be **no make-ups** for exams or quizzes. *I will drop two quizzes*. All quizzes will be graded on a Pass/Fail basis, i.e. 1 point or 0 points.

3. The Teaching Fellows:

All of the Teaching Assistants have taken *Econ 4* and received a grade of "A". They will do the grading and record the scores so any questions about these matters should be directed to the TAs. They will also hold office hours and review sessions (time and place to be announced).

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Class Schedule

Note: This schedule is approximate. Depending on the class, we may be ahead or behind the schedule at any time.

Note: The bolded assignments are due at the beginning of the class.

Date	Day Topic and Important Dates	Reading Assignment
Week 1	Course Introduction	Reader 1-2
	Compounding & Discounting	Download from Webpage
Week 2	Financial Statements	Text Parts 1-2
		Reader 3-4
Week 3	Booking Transactions	Text Parts 4-5
	Problem Set #1 due October 14	th Reader 5
Week 4	Booking Transactions con't	
		Text Parts 6-7
Week 5	Review	
	Midterm Exam October 28th	
Week 6	The Cashflow Statement	Text Part 9
Week 7	Accrual Accounting	Bank Financials Download
	Problem Set #2 due November 9	9th from Webpage
Week 8	The Cash Cycle & Financial	
	Proformas	
Week 9	Earnings Management Financial	Text Part 10
	Analysis	Reader 6-7
Week 10	Financial Reporting	
	Problem Set #3 due December 2	and
Finals		
Week	Final Exam Tuesday December	7th