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Syllabus
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2. Administrative Details

- Instructor: Atsushi Chino
- Class meeting time: TBD
- Class room: TBD
- Office number: 329
- Phone number (office): 025-779-1413
- Email address: achino@iuj.ac.jp
- Office hours: TBD

3. Basic Materials

- Required textbook:
Financial Accounting, 2nd Edition, by Spiceland, Thomas, and Herrmann, 2010, McGraw-Hill.

The course will cover selected topics of the required textbook and the material will be presented in the

two weekly lectures. In addition, I will assign problem sets which will closely follow the lecture material. I encourage you to work in groups to solve for problem sets.

4. Grading

Grades will be based on the midterm exam, the final exam, and problem sets. The final exam will be cumulative. Problem sets will count for 20% of your final grade and exams will count for the remaining 80% (the midterm 30% and the final exam 50%). The midterm will be held in class on [TBD]. The final is scheduled on the final examination week. There will be no make-up exam.

5. Tentative Course Outline

1. The accounting information (Ch.1, Ch.2)
 - Business activities to measure
 - Financial statements
 - Effects of transactions on the accounting equations
 - Debits and credits
 - Recording transactions (journal entries)

2. The financial reporting process (Ch.3)
 - Accrual-basis accounting (Revenue and expense reporting)
 - Accrual-basis vs. cash-basis accounting
 - Adjusting entries
 - Income statement
 - Stockholder's equity
 - Balance sheet
 - Statement of cash flows

3. Cash and internal controls (Ch.4)
 - Cash and cash equivalents
 - Cash controls
 - Bank reconciliation
 - Petty cash
 - Reporting cash

4. Receivables and sales (Ch.5)

- Credit sales and accounting receivable
 - Net revenues
 - Allowance method
 - Accounting for notes receivable
5. Inventory and cost of goods sold (Ch.6)
- Inventory
 - Cost of goods sold
 - Inventory cost methods
 - Recording inventory transactions
6. Long-term assets (Ch.7)
- Property, plant, and equipment
 - Intangible assets
 - Expenditures after acquisition of assets: capitalized and expense costs
 - Depreciation of property, plant, and equipment
 - Sale of long-term assets
8. Current liabilities (Ch.8)
- Current vs. long-term classification
 - Notes payable
 - Accounts payable
 - Payroll liabilities
 - Other current liabilities
 - Contingent liabilities
9. Long-term liabilities (Ch.9)
- Overview of long-term debt
 - Pricing a bond
 - Accounting for a bond issue
 - Accounting for bond retirements
 - Other long-term liabilities
10. Stockholders' equity (Ch.10)
- Invested capital
 - Common stock and preferred stock

- Treasury stock
- Retained earnings and dividends
- Statement of stockholders' equity

11. Statement of cash flows (Ch.11)

- Cash flows from operating, investing, or financing activities
- Preparing the statement of cash flows (by indirect method)
- Operating activities: non-cash components of net income
- Operating activities: changes in current assets and liabilities
- Investing activities
- Financing activities

This outline is tentative and subject to change as the course progresses.