HOW TO DO VERY WELL IN ACCOUNTING 2001
(And other courses as well)
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1. ARRIVE at class BEFORE the class start time and get a seat in the middle or front of the room if possible. Stay away from the back of the room. REMAIN in class for the ENTIRE CLASS. Use the restroom BEFORE CLASS.

2. When the class starts, COMPLETELY FOCUS, FOCUS, and FOCUS on the professor’s comments and handouts. This means, No phone, No text messages, No sleeping, No conversations with friends, No daydreaming, No web surfing. The ability to Focus is Critical. Of all 12 items on this list, this one is perhaps most important.

3. Your goal in class is to ABSORB as much of the new material as possible. If you do not understand a comment, raise your hand and ask a question. It is okay and the professor will welcome it.

4. Stay concentrated on the new material by constantly WRITING notes on the class handout and in your notebook. The process of WRITING is a key to making sure you are receiving information. It is also the best source of review after class.

5. Attend EVERY CLASS. In each class, new concepts are introduced and explained. This sets the stage for the next new chapter in the text, which will be far easier to read after attending class.

6. FOLLOW UP each class by READING the text chapter, which is assigned. The class introduces the basic concepts BUT it is Not a replacement for reading the text.

7. Do the assigned HOMEWORK problems in the text on a daily basis. All answers to text problems are posted on our course website.

8. KEEP UP with the assignments. This is NOT a course you can learn just before an exam.

9. In this course, we will provide SAMPLE EXAMS for review both in class and on your own. Use these to understand the BASIC CONCEPTS. The actual exam will be different than the sample exams. Simply Memorizing an old exam without understanding the concepts is a quick way to failure.

10. Take advantage of doing ALL BONUS PROBLEMS in the course to earn extra points. WARNING, these bonus problems change each semester so copying an old solution will result in a very poor grade.

11. This is a course, which BUILDS a FOUNDATION ACCOUNTING MODEL in the first few classes, which will be used throughout the semester. Getting a GOOD START is essential for success in this course.

12. HAVE FUN! Enjoy our time together. I want you to succeed. I promise to do my very best for you. However, I cannot do your work for you.