FASB SSARS and SAS: An Update and Review for 2020

Course Description

The purpose of this course is to inform the reader of the various changes affecting accounting, compilation and review, and auditing engagements as well as a review and recall of existing standards. Topics include a summary of newly issued FASB statements, new statements issued by the Auditing Standards Board, changes in compilation and review, current and pending developments, practice issues, and more.

Completion Deadline & Exam: This course, including the examination, must be completed within one year of the date of purchase. In addition, unless otherwise indicated, no correct or incorrect feedback for any exam question will be provided.

Course Level: Overview. This program is appropriate for professionals at all organizational levels.
CPE Credits: 24 (CPA) (16 hours accounting, 8 hours auditing)
Category: Accounting
Prerequisite: Basic understanding of U.S. GAAP, compilation and review, and auditing standards
Advanced Preparation: None

Course Learning Objectives

Chapter 1: Accounting and Financial Reporting for COVID-19 and the CARES Act

- 1. Identify types of subsequent events that require disclosure
- 2. Recognize some types of concentrations that might require disclosure under the risk and uncertainty rules
- 3. Identify the definition of near term
- 4. Recall the frequency in which an entity should test goodwill for impairment
- 5. Recognize the formula for testing goodwill impairment
- 6. Recall how to classify business interruption insurance proceeds on the financial statements
- 7. Identify a method that can be used to measure variable consideration revenue
- 8. Recognize an example of a construction-type contract

- 9. Identify a tax-law change made by the CARES Act, and
- 10. Recognize how a company should present CARES Act loan forgiveness on its financial statements.

Chapter 2: Current Developments- Accounting and Financial Reporting- 2020

- 1. Identify a characteristic of a multi-employer plan
- 2. Recall the color coding of funded status of a multi-employer plan
- 3. Recognize an argument for not amortizing goodwill
- 4. Identify an example of a customer-related asset

Chapter 3: Implementing the New Revenue Standard ASC 606: 2020 Guidance for Private Companies

- 1. Recognize the types of agreements that qualify as contracts under the revenue standard
- 2. Recall a condition that must be met to identify a separate performance obligation
- 3. Identify at least one method authorized to estimate variable consideration in a contract
- 4. Recognize information that can be used to allocate the transaction price to performance obligations
- 5. Identify at least one method that are used to record revenue in Step 5 of the revenue standard
- 6. Recognize when a good is considered transferred to a customer under ASC 606
- 7. Recognize how to account for the transfer of a product with a right to return
- 8. Recall the general rule that determines whether an entity should record revenue gross or net
- 9. Identify some of the general rules to account for license revenue
- 10. Recall how certain contract costs are accounted for under the revenue standard, and
- 11. Recognize certain disclosures required by the revenue standard for nonpublic entities.

Chapter 4: New Lease Standard- 2019: ASU 2016-02, Leases (Topic 842) and Other Amendments

- 12. Recognize a key change made to GAAP by the new lease standard
- 13. Identify a type of lease that exists for a lessee under ASU 2016-02
- 14. Recall a type of lease for which the ASU 2016-02 rules do not apply
- 15. Recognize some of the criteria that determine whether a contract is or is not a lease
- 16. Identify how a lessee should account for initial direct costs
- 17. Recall how a lessor should initially account for initial direct costs for a lease in certain instances

- 18. Identify how a lessor should account for lease payments received on the income statement for an operating lease
- 19. Recognize how certain existing leases are accounted for on the implementation date of ASU 2016-02
- 20. Recall the potential impact that the new lease standard might have on a lessee's EBITDA and debt-equity ratios.

Chapter 5: Financial Instruments 2020: Implementing ASU 2016-01

- 1. Identify the category of securities for which ASU 2016-01 retains the three categories under existing GAAP
- 2. Recall one of the changes made by ASU 2016-01 to existing GAAP for financial instruments.
- 3. Recall how available-for-sale debt securities are measured on an entity's balance sheet
- 4. Identify how held to maturity securities are measured on the balance sheet
- 5. Recognize how an entity should account for a temporary impairment
- 6. Recall how an entity should present an unrealized gain or loss on an equity security under ASU 2016-01
- 7. Identify how a mutual fund that invests in debt and equity securities should classify the investment
- 8. Recall a change made to the exemption for fair value disclosures with respect to trade receivables and payables

Chapter 6: ASU 2016-13 Financial Instruments – Credit Losses

- 1. Recognize the model that ASU 2016-13 uses to deal with credit losses
- 2. Identify how credit losses should be recorded under new ASU 2016-13
- 3. Identify some of the disclosures required by ASU 2016-13

Chapter 7: SSARS No. 25 - Materiality in a Review of Financial Statements and Adverse Conclusion

- 1. Recognize a precondition for an accountant to accept a SSARS engagement
- 2. Recall whether the preparation of financial statements standard is an attest or nonattest service
- 3. Identify whether a report is required in a preparation of financial statements engagement
- 4. Recognize what the reporting requirements are, if any, when a "no assurance" legend is omitted from prepared financial statements under the AR-C 70 standards
- 5. Identify where to disclose GAAP departures in a preparation of financial statements engagement

- 6. Identify factors that should consider in determining materiality in a review engagement
- 7. Recognize a change that SSARS No. 25 makes to the accountant's review report
- 8. Identify the term that GAAP uses for management's assessment of an entity's going concern
- 9. Recall some of the items that should be documented in a review engagement

Chapter 8: New Audit Reporting Standards SAS Nos. 134-139

- 1. Identify the types of audit reports that can be issued under new AU-C 700A
- 2. Recognize an acceptable title for an auditor's report
- Recognize the order in which certain sections of the new auditor's report should be presented in AU-C 700A
- 4. Recognize the requirements and limitations with respect to communicating on key audit matters in accordance with new AU-C 701
- 5. Recognize examples of modified opinions as defined in AU-C 705A
- 6. Identify examples of situations in which an auditor must or may include an emphasis-of-matter or othermatter paragraph as required by new AU-C 706A
- 7. Recall examples of fraud risk factors expanded by SAS No. 135
- 8. Identify expanded procedures auditors of ERISA-plan financial statements must perform in newly issued SAS No. 136, including a review of the draft Form 5500
- 9. Identify the new ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit in SAS No. 136
- 10. Recognize the scope of the terms "other information" and "annual report" as used in the newly issued SAS No. 137 pertaining to auditing and reporting other information, and
- 11. Recall how an auditor should label other information in the auditor's report.
- 12. Recognize the new definition of materiality found in SAS No. 138
- 13. Identify certain paragraphs in the new auditor's report on a special purpose framework.