



APPLIES TO ACADEMIC YEAR 2007/2008

BØK 2302 Management Accounting

Program

Bachelor in Auditing (2. year), Bachelor in Business Administration (2. year), Bachelor in Business Journalism (3. year), Bachelor in Business Law (3. year), Bachelor in Entrepreneurship (2. year), Bachelor in Finance (2. year), Bachelor in IT-management (2. year), Bachelor of Science in Business (2. year), Bachelor of Science in Marketing (3. year)

Responsible for the course

Tor Tangenes

Department

Accounting - Auditing and Law

Term

According to study plan

ECTS Credits

6

Language of instruction

Norwegian

This course is based on BØK 2601 and Bøk 2602 - Managerial and Financial Accounting I and II, or equivalent courses, and is succeeded by BØK2215 (siv.øk) / 2431 Strategic Management Accounting. Basically, management accounting deals with development and communication of information, relevant for decision-making in relation to strategies and operational plans, and mechanisms for behavioural control and organizational learning through feedback. The field of management accounting is closely related to corporate strategy and organizational theory. On a strategic level multi-period problems of importance for the firm's competitive position are essential. Management accounting deals primarily with the short-term planning and control, and has traditionally been built on corporate budgeting and standard costing. Therefore, it has provided financial information in a short-term horizon. Cost analysis, planning and control, including activity-based costing and process oriented methods for decision-making, are thoroughly covered in this course by means of theory, critique of traditional models and cases. The course concludes by an introduction of contemporary concepts of management control, specifically The Balanced Scorecard.

Objective

The objective of the course is to provide a comprehensive and updated insight into theoretical and practical aspects of operational management accounting and to enable the students to perform real-life applications of the theory.

Prerequisites

BØK 2601 and BØK 2602.

Compulsory literature

Books:

Sending, Aage og Tor Tangenes. 2006. Arbeidshefte til Driftsregnskap og budsjettering. 4. utgave. Bergen: Fagbokforlaget. 5. utgave kommer i jan 2008

Sending, Aage, Tor Tangenes og Svein H. Gjønnnes. 2007. Driftsregnskap og budsjettering: økonomi- og virksomhetsstyring. 2. utg. Bergen: Fagbokforlaget. Kap. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 15 og 17,5

Recommended literature

Course outline

1. Course outline, developments in management accounting, traditional and new practice (chap. 1).
2. Decision support
 - a) Cost behavior (chap. 2)
 - b) Cost allocation and traditional allocation methods (chap. 3 + 4)
 - c) ABC - Activity-based costing (chap. 5)
 - d) Process oriented methods (chap. 7)
 - e) Some particular decision problems (chap. 8)
 - f) Transfer pricing (chap. 9)

3. Planning and control
 - a) Traditional corporate budgeting (chap. 11 and 12)
 - b) Standard costing (chap. 13)
 - c) Profitability analysis and performance measurement with financial metrics (chap. 15)
 - d) The balanced scorecard (chap. 17,5)

Computer-based tools

Excel will be used for particular assignments

Course structure

The course is based on 42 hours lectures.

BI Nettstudier (Distance Education and E-learning)

The most intensive part of the teaching takes place at the beginning of the semester and before the exam. To aid learning, students will find a studyguide on BI nettstudier. It contains useful information on studying, planning work and undertaking assignments. Internet supervision is provided via pages containing information about the subject, discussion groups and interactive exercises, together with an exercise programme.

Evaluation

A five-hour written exam based on the required readings concludes the course.

Evaluation code(s)

BØK 23021 - Written exam counts 100% of the grade in BØK 2302 Current Management Accounting, 6 credits.

Aids at the examination

All written aids are allowed.

Support materials at written examinations are explained under exam information in our web-based student handbook. Please note use of calculator. <http://www.bi.no/studenthandbook>

Makeup exam

At the end of every term.