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Course # 37

On-Line Postgraduate Programme Advanced Financial Accounting For Non Accountants

Course or Seminar

Leading To

DIPLOMA - POSTGRADUATE IN Financial Accounting

Progressing To a Masters Degree

MBA – MSc – MA

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COURSE CO-ORDINATOR:

Prof. Dr. R. B. Crawford

- PhD (London),
- MEd. M. (Bath),
- Adv. Dip. Ed. (Bristol),
- PGCIS (TVU),
- ITC (UWI),
- Member of the Asian Academy of Management - MAAM,
- Member of the International Society of Gesture Studies - MISGS
- Member of the Academy of Management - MAOM,
- LESAN,
- MSCOS
- Visiting Professor Polytechnic University of the Philippines - PUP

Typical Course Duration: 6 Months

COST:

- **£2,010.00** + V.A.T. For UK Students
- **£2,278.00** + V.A.T. Non-UK Students

Course Cost includes:

- Course Guide and Supplement,
- Course Material
- On-line Support
- Available Learning Resources
- Assessment over 6 month's period
- Reassessment over 6 month's period
- HRODC Diploma – Postgraduate
- Dissertation cost includes Reexamination and Revision over a 3-year period from 1st Registration.

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Introduction

Business and corporate executives need to understand the importance of financial factors to business success. This interactive seminar demonstrates how accounting and finance work in today's fast-moving and competitive business environment. You will understand the critical issues of accountability, profitability, liquidity and financial structure. You will understand the accounting framework, processes and principles of financial reporting together with how to plan, budget and maximise profitability. Also, you will be able to project the benefits of strategic and long-term planning, proposed capital projects and assessments of the projects. You will understand the business from both a financial and strategic perspective. You will see how your decisions influence corporate survival, growth and profitability.

Seminar objectives

Having completed this seminar you should be able to:

- ✦ Understand strategic planning and decision-making framework
- ✦ Provide a strategic view of the business environment
- ✦ Understand and explain the nature and role of financial statements and their interpretation
- ✦ Understand accounting and finance terminology and use the necessary accounting and financial jargon to communicate effectively with the financial professionals
- ✦ Review the financial performance and financial position of an organisation using the appropriate financial means including trend analysis, industry and index analyses, ratio and break-even analysis techniques
- ✦ Develop operating and resource budgets
- ✦ Develop profit and cash flow budgets using traditional and activity based methods
- ✦ Assess the risk and uncertainty associated with alternative outcomes
- ✦ Use budgetary control to compare actual against planned performance and to identify corrective actions
- ✦ Evaluate investments in capital and long-term projects using PB, ARR, NPV and IRR appraisal methods
- ✦ Identify the features of the alternative sources of business financing
- ✦ Appreciate the important role of strategic accounting in business performance improvement.

Training methodology

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The seminar provides the conceptual framework and theoretical background to some key areas of financial management and decision making, which are put into a real world context by providing a practical ‘toolkit’ of financial techniques. It includes many worked examples and case studies of real companies relating to each of the topics covered. Delegates are therefore provided with an opportunity to apply financial techniques in practice and to discuss the various issues that may arise. Many of the practical examples, for example trend, industry, index, DCF and break-even analyses, are illustrated using Excel[®] spreadsheets. To optimise the learning experience, delegates are encouraged to bring along their laptop computers with fully installed Excel[®]. Delegates are encouraged to discuss difficulties experienced to find out possible solutions.

Organisational impact

Delegates will also be provided with knowledge that can be shared amongst their own staff and colleagues, and to other departments within their organisations. The awareness and understanding of the various financial techniques available will enable delegates to communicate better with financial professionals, within and external to their organisations, and to become more effective managers. This will be achieved through:

- ❖ Immediate use of the tools and techniques of financial review, analysis and financial management that will be acquired
- ❖ Becoming better informed and using new financial skills that will help improve management decision-making in competitive business environment
- ❖ Communication of the various financial tools that are available to help the organisation enhance its competitive positioning and profitability and improve the all-important cash flow.

Personal Impact

Participants will be able to further develop their personal management skills by being:

- ❖ Better informed financially, to enable improved management decision-making.
- ❖ Better able to contribute to the effective financial management of their organisation.
- ❖ Able to evaluate alternative courses of action and identify the most effective choices with regard to the future improvement of their organisation.
- ❖ Able to liaise more effectively with other departments on financial matters.
- ❖ Advance you career by improving your understanding of industry financial management.

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PROGRAMME OUTLINE

Module 1 - A strategic view of the business environment

The accounting environment

- ❖ The uses and purpose of accounting
- ❖ Users of accounting and financial information
- ❖ Various groups of stakeholders: internal and external users
- ❖ Accounting language and terminology
- ❖ Cash versus profit, accruals and monetary concepts
- ❖ Profit and profitability
- ❖ Accounting reports and statements

Statement 1: The balance sheet – the financial position

- ❖ The structure of the balance sheet
- ❖ What does the balance sheet tell us about the company?
- ❖ Limitations of the conventional balance sheet

Statement 2: The profit and loss account (income statement) – financial performance

- ❖ What is profit?
- ❖ The structure of the profit and loss account
- ❖ What does the profit and loss account tell us about the company?
- ❖ The links between the profit and loss account and balance sheet

Module 2 - The financial statements and financial analysis

Statement 3: The cash flow statement – financial flow

- ❖ Cash versus profit
- ❖ What is included in the cash flow statement?
- ❖ Why is cash flow so important?
- ❖ The structure of the cash flow statement
- ❖ The links between three accounting statements: the cash flow statement, profit and loss account and balance sheet

The annual report and financial analysis

- ❖ The key elements of published reports and accounts
- ❖ Ratio analysis: profitability; efficiency and performance; liquidity; investment; cash flow; the DuPont system
- ❖ Cash versus profit as a measure of performance, EBITDA
- ❖ Predicting business failure – the Altman Z-score
- ❖ Sources of financial information
- ❖ The use of non-financial information together with financial information

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Module 3 - Budgeting and Short-term Planning

Break-even analysis: Cost/volume/profit analysis

- ❖ Cost/volume/profit (CVP) relationships
- ❖ Break-even analysis
- ❖ Single and mixed products
- ❖ The impact of cost structure changes
- ❖ Limitations of CVP analysis

Budgeting

- ❖ Purposes of budgeting
- ❖ The budget process, including activity based budgeting
- ❖ Uncertainty and risk – worst and best outcomes
- ❖ Motivation and the behavioural aspects of budgeting
- ❖ Problems in budgeting

Module 4 - Budgetary control, and Long-term Planning DCF and capital investment appraisal

Capital investment decisions

- ❖ What is an investment?
- ❖ Investment appraisal criteria and investment decisions
- ❖ Time value of money
- ❖ Free cash flows
- ❖ Capital rationing and control of capital investment projects
- ❖ Risk and uncertainty and decision-making – sensitivity analysis

Budgetary control

- ❖ Organisational and accounting control systems
- ❖ Standard costing
- ❖ Flexed budgets and variance analysis
- ❖ Types of variances and the reasons they occur
- ❖ Planning and operational variances

Module 5 - Financing the business and strategic accounting

Internal and External Sources of Finance

➤ Financing the business

- Sources of finance
- Gearing
- Weighted average cost of capital (WACC)

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- Cost of debt and equity capital
- Risk analysis and CAPM

➤ **Strategic accounting**

- Outline of strategic management accounting
- Competitor information and strategic positioning
- Competitive advantage
- Strategic accounting systems, and the balanced scorecard

➤ **New role for managers and accountants**



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On-line Postgraduate Application, Admission and Enrolment Procedure

On-line Postgraduate Enrolment can be done at any time convenient to the student

1. Continuous Registration for Postgraduate Diploma and Masters Degree – MA, MSc, MBA, Executive MBA

Prospective students might register for a Full Postgraduate Diploma or Masters Degree, in the first instance. This will represent a continuous registration, incorporating the different courses, and, or, modules. The duration of a Postgraduate Diploma or Postgraduate Diploma component of a Masters Degree is typically two years but is longer for programmes such as Executive MBA. The procedure outlined below is more appropriate for those studying individual courses.

2. Online Application Requirement:

Please send the following documents:

- ✚ Completed Postgraduate Application Form, including a passport sized picture of the applicant
- ✚ Copy of Issue and photo page of your current passport or copy of you National Identity Card, if it has your photograph incorporated.
- ✚ Two recent References, at least one of which should be academic – from your University or College

3. What Happens Next?

- ✚ On receipt of all the above documents we will make an assessment of your suitability for the Programme.
- ✚ If you are accepted on the Programme, you will be notified accordingly and sent an Admission and Enrolment Confirmation Letter and Invoice.
- ✚ One week after the receipt of your payment or official notification of your payment, your course tutor will contact you, by e-mail or telephone, welcoming you to the Programme and officially commencing your study.
- ✚ The six months countdown begins with the initial Tutor Contact.

4. Subsequent Course Registration

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Once you have registered for one course, subsequent course registration is straightforward

- ✚ When you have notified us, by e-mail, of your intention to register for another course, we will send you your Admission and Enrolment Confirmation Letter and Invoice.
- ✚ One week after the receipt of your payment or official notification of your payment, your course tutor will contact you, by e-mail or telephone, welcoming you to the Programme and officially commencing your study.
- ✚ The six months countdown begins with the initial Tutor Contact.

5. Registering for the Masters Degree

- ✚ When you have successfully completed the requirement for the Postgraduate Diploma, you will receive the Award
- ✚ If you intend to proceed to the Masters degree, you need to register for course #7, Research Project: Design, Conduct & Report
- ✚ Close to the completion of this compulsory course, you may register for the Masters Degree
- ✚ Your Masters Degree registration will incorporate a Synopsis or Research Proposal. The groundwork for this would have been addressed by course #7.
- ✚ We will then send you your Admission and Enrolment Confirmation Letter and Invoice.
- ✚ You will be assigned a Dissertation Supervisor and a Dissertation Mentor
- ✚ Your Dissertation Supervisor will have the main responsibility for your work
- ✚ Your Dissertation Mentor will have casual contact with you and resolve any problems that you might be experiencing with your supervision that your Dissertation Supervisor cannot address or that you do not wish to bring to his or her attention
- ✚ One week after the receipt of your payment or official notification of your payment, your Dissertation Supervisor will contact you, by e-mail or telephone, welcoming you to the Programme and officially commencing your study.
- ✚ The two year countdown begins with the initial Supervisor Contact.

General Regulation For HRODC Postgraduate Degrees – MBA, MA, MSc Programmes

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Summary of the Regulation For HRODC Postgraduate Degrees – MBA, MA, MSc Programmes

Students who have successfully completed the HRODC General Postgraduate Diploma, HRODC Specialist Postgraduate Diploma and HRODC Cumulative Postgraduate Diploma may proceed to register for the Postgraduate Degree (MBA, MA, MSc). HRODC Cumulative Postgraduate Diploma relates to a Diploma that is granted through the addition of courses taken at intervals over a 6-year period. This type of Postgraduate Diploma might include both General and Specialist groupings. The requirement incorporates the ‘180-Hour Rule’, wherein a delegate should accumulate at least 180 study-hours, in order to qualify for a Postgraduate Diploma.

After the Postgraduate Diploma Stage, students might register for a Masters Degree (MA, MBA, MSc – as appropriate). They will then be required to study a research module – Course #7 and present an externally assessed Dissertation of 15,000 to 20,000 words. They will receive supervision from 2 research tutors and will submit to an Oral Examination of their Thesis.

HRODC Postgraduate Diploma and Diploma – Postgraduate.

HRODC Postgraduate Diploma and Diploma - Postgraduate: Distinction and Award

The successful completion of four on-line Postgraduate Courses will lead to the award of HRODC Training Institute’s Postgraduate Diploma. Each six month’s course, which is successfully completed, will lead to the Institute’s Diploma - Postgraduate. The term ‘Diploma – Postgraduate’ indicates that the course is postgraduate and counts towards a full Postgraduate Diploma

Individual Modules and Blocks of HRODC Postgraduate Diploma can be studied over a 6-year period. All modules or Blocks, in the case of the Postgraduate Diploma in Executive Management, must have been studied, with Students gaining 50% and above in at least 70% of the modules or blocks. To achieve the attainment level required for the Award of HRODC Postgraduate Diploma in Communication and

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Information Management, students should achieve a minimum of 50% pass in at least 70% of the modules. Module one will be treated as a double-unit and assessed in 2-parts, while module 3 will be regarded as 4 units, assessed in 4 distinct parts. There are, therefore 10 units, for assessment purpose, requiring at least a pass in 7 units, at 50% or higher. The assessment will be facilitated by the issuance of bound copies of course guides and course supplement (possibly combined), at the beginning of the training.

Students who fail to achieve the requirement for HRODC Postgraduate Diploma, or Diploma - Postgraduate - will be given support for 2 re-submissions. Those students who fail to achieve the requirement for the Postgraduate Diploma or Diploma - Postgraduate - on 2 resubmissions, or those who elect not to receive them, will be awarded the Certificate of Participation.

Title Examples of HRODC Postgraduate Diploma and HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate

HRODC Postgraduate Diploma Course or Seminar Titles include: *HRODC Postgraduate Diploma in Human Resource Management; HRODC Postgraduate Diploma in Comprehensive Human Resource Management; HRODC Postgraduate Diploma in Executive Management; HRODC Postgraduate Diploma in Comprehensive Real Estate Management; HRODC Postgraduate Diploma in Women in Management; HRODC postgraduate Diploma in Comprehensive Project Management; HRODC Postgraduate Diploma in Communication and Information Management.*

HRODC Diploma – Postgraduate - Course or Seminar Titles include: *HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Financial Risk Management; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Judging Economic and Financial Crimes; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in UK Legal System: Court Organisation and Management; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Organisational Change Management; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Client Or Customer Care; Leading to HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Trainer Training: Training for Trainers; HRODC Diploma -*

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Postgraduate - in Worker Motivation; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Employee Resourcing: Recruitment and Selection; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Diversity Management; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Research Project Management; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Anti-Dumping and Anti-Subsidy; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Internal Audit; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Fundamentals of Automotive Industry; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Advanced Project Management; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Productivity Improvement; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Introduction to Real Estate Management; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Conveyancing and Property Valuation; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in UK Employment Law; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in UK Consumer Law; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in ISO 9000 Quality Systems; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Modern Quality Systems; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Modern Quality Systems and ISO 9000; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Personnel and Occupational Testing; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Personnel and Occupational Test Questionnaire Design and Results Analysis; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Information, Risk and Security Management; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Executive Leadership and High Performance Team Management; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Organisational Design: Structuring and Restructuring Organisations; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Investment Projects in Industrial Sector; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Industrial Investment Performance Evaluation; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Strategic Management and Project Management; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Fundamentals in Oil and Gas Accounting; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Advanced Financial Accounting; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Advanced Cost Management; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Assessing Parenting Capability and Children's Need; and Recording & Report Writing For Social Service; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Strategic Management and Strategic Cost Management; HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - in Strategic Management Accounting; HRODC Postgraduate Diploma - Postgraduate - in Advanced Budgeting; HRODC Diploma in Fundamentals of Air Cargo.

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HRODC Postgraduate Diploma Typology

HRODC would like to initiate and maintain a typology that will distinguish between its 3 main categories of Postgraduate Diploma:

1. HRODC General Postgraduate Diploma
2. HRODC Specialist Postgraduate Diploma
3. HRODC Cumulative Postgraduate Diploma

HRODC General Postgraduate Diploma refers to the Postgraduate Diploma, which consists of generic courses, taken within a three-year period. HRODC Specialist Postgraduate Diploma must be construed to mean a Postgraduate Diploma that consists of related courses. These include: *HRODC Postgraduate Diploma in Human Resource Management; HRODC Postgraduate Diploma in Comprehensive Human Resource Management; HRODC Postgraduate Diploma in Executive Management; HRODC Postgraduate Diploma in Comprehensive Real Estate Management; HRODC Postgraduate Diploma in Women in Management; HRODC Postgraduate Diploma in Comprehensive Project Management; HRODC Postgraduate Diploma in Communication and Information Management.*

HRODC Cumulative Postgraduate Diploma relates to a Diploma that is granted through the addition of courses taken at intervals over a 6-year period. This type of Postgraduate Diploma might include both General and Specialist groupings. The requirement incorporates the '180-HourRule', wherein a delegate should accumulate at least 180 study-hours, in order to qualify for a Postgraduate Diploma.

HRODC's Quality Assurance

The 50% minimum attainment requirement for the HRODC Postgraduate Diploma and HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - is an attestation to our concern for quality and exceptional performance. This 'standard' is in line with most British Universities, some having recently moved away from their traditional 40% attainment requirement. One of the several ways in which HRODC assures academic and professional quality

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is to ensure that most of its consultants hold a PHD in the their areas of specialism. The lowest qualification of any consultant at HRODC is an MA and, or, MSc. These qualifications are in addition to relevant experience and continuous development. While most applicants to HRODC Postgraduate Diploma and HRODC Diploma - Postgraduate - Programmes are holders of Undergraduate and Postgraduate Degrees, some being Professors of internationally renowned Universities, others do not hold a degree but have substantial work and life experience to excel in the courses. In addition, HRODC has instituted the '180-HourRule', wherein a delegate should accumulate at least 180 study-hours, in order to qualify for a Postgraduate Diploma. Specialist Diploma such as the HRODC 'Postgraduate Diploma in Executive Management' consists of 540 hours.

In addition to the above, HRODC has incorporated the following additional Quality measures in its Postgraduate Degree Programme – These can also be found in the document *Regulation For HRODC Postgraduate Degrees – MBA, MA, MSc Programmes*

1. The length of the Dissertation will be between 15,000 and 20,000 words. Higher or lower limits can only be accepted through special dispensation, tabled through their Dissertation Tutor;
2. Students will be assigned one Main Dissertation Supervisor, for formal tuition, and a Dissertation Mentor, who will provide them with informal advice, in conjunction with their Main Dissertation Supervisor;
3. Students' Viva Voce, or Oral, Examination will be conducted within 3 months of the submission of their Dissertation;
4. The Dissertation Examination will be conducted by an External and an Internal Examiner;
5. The External Examiner will be drawn from a recognized University and will be an Academic in the Discipline, who is not otherwise associated with HRODC;
6. The Internal Supervisor will be an HRODC Tutor, who is neither Students' Main Dissertation Supervisor or their Dissertation Mentor;

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7. The submission date of a Masters Dissertation is expected to be within 12 calendar months of their initial registration for the Degree but can be extended, on application, to a period not exceeding 24 months;
8. In the event that Students were not successful on the first attempt, they will be given the opportunity to make minor amendment to, or revise, their Dissertation, with the guidance of their Dissertation Supervisors.

Course Admission and Registration:

As an Award-bearing Postgraduate Course, it is essential that we assess the aptitude of our potential participants. We, would, therefore appreciate if you might complete our standard Postgraduate Application Form, which is available on request (please see our contact details above), or downloadable from:

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If your previous qualifications and experience are in line with our admission criteria, you will be sent an official notification of your admission to the course or courses for which you have applied, along with a Proforma invoice, for the payment of the relevant fees. You will then be duly registered for the course/s as soon as we have received your payment.

Terms and Conditions

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