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Business

FH Zentralschweiz

MSCIFM_FRS03_International Financial Reporting Standards

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General Information

Module Code W.MSCIFM FRS03.19

Programme Master of Science / International Financial Management

Type of Module Core module in foundation

Level of Module Intermediate

ECTS Credits / Workload 6 ECTS Credits (180 hours)

Module Dependencies

Pre-requisitesAll course admission requirements must be met before the start of this module (including sound

knowledge in financial accounting). Module W.MSCIFM FAA02 (optional) is not a prerequisite but

strongly suggested as a refresher and introduction.

Follow-up modules W.MSCIFM AFA04 (Advanced Financial Accounting and Reporting)

Module Aims

The aim of the module is to enable students to apply the majority of International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) to specific accounting situations and to link disclosures made in financial reports with relevant IFRS.

Submodule 1: International Financial Reporting Standards

Submodule code FRS

ECTS Credits / Workload 6 ECTS Credits (180 hours)

Learning Outcome 1

Students know the framework and major provisions of IFRS concerning recognition, measurement and disclosure and will apply IFRS correctly to specific business transactions, period-end-work and report preparation.

	Importance	Relevant NQF-Descriptors	
Subject knowledge and skills: Students identify and explain the relevant provision of the IFRS framework and current IFRS. Students will state areas of changes in IFRS and describe the nature of change.	medium	knowledge	
Problem-solving: Students interpret and apply specific IFRS to accounting issues and locate applicable standards relevant to a given topic or situation.	medium	knowledge; application; judgement; learning autonomy	
Methodology: Students apply the relevant standards correctly to a given topic or situation, use successfully the full text of the standard to resolve accounting situations and answer related questions.	high	application; judgement	
Communication: Students understand in detail and correctly use the specific accounting vocabulary used in IFRS.	low	knowledge; communication	
Self-related skills: Students practice to identify relevant provisions in full text of financial reporting standards and relate it to information from the textbook and lectures.	medium	application; learning autonomy	

Learning Outcome 2

Students know the key provisions of IFRS for SMEs and can state the key differences to the IFRS

Subject knowledge and skills: Students can enumerate and explain the main differences between IFRS and IFRS for SMEs

Importance Relevant NQF-Descriptors

low knowledge

Content Outline

- 1. The regulatory framework
- 2. The IASB conceptual framework
- 3. Presentation of financial statements
- 4. Accounting policies, accounting estimates and errors
- 5. Property, plant and equipment
- 6. Intangible assets
- 7. Impairment of assets
- 8. Non-current assets held for sale and discontinues operations
- 9. Leases
- 10. Inventories
- 11. Financial Instruments (excluding hedge accounting and disclosure requirements)
- 12. Provisions and events after the reporting period
- 13. Revenue from contracts with customers
- 14. -
- 15. Taxation in financial statements
- 16. Statement of cash flows
- 17. Financial reporting in hyperinflationary economies
- 18. Groups of companies (1) excluding end of chapter exercices
- 19. Groups of companies (2) excluding end of chapter exercices
- 20. Associates and joint arrangements
- 21. Related parties and changes in foreign exchange rates
- 22. -
- 23. -
- 24. -
- 25. The IFRS for SMEs Standard

Numbers refer to chapters in Melville, A. (2022). International Financial Reporting. 8th ed.

Teaching and Learning Methods Contact Hours seminar; exercises; lecture; guest lectures individual work; group work; compulsory reading Workload Contact Hours 66 lessons / 49.5 hours (27.5%) Directed Study 6 lessons / 4.5 hours (2.5%) Private Study 126 hours (70%)

Assignments and Assessments

Assessment Type	Quantity	Weight	Form	Evaluation Type	Time
Written examination	180 minutes	100%	closed book	grades	end of semester