



CFA® Core Concepts: Financial Reporting & Analysis

Accounting knowledge is a key part of the CFA® exam and is considered by many instructors and students to be the most demanding in terms of rules and calculations. More importantly however, it provides the foundation upon which are number of the other CFA® topics are based.

Many candidates enrolled to take the CFA® exam have little background in accounting or have limited experience in dealing with accounting topics. This intensive course over three Saturdays is designed to provide those candidates with additional instruction and guidance through all of the accounting topics covered in the CFA® material. Participants will benefit from smaller classroom size in which they can address specific topics that have been challenging them.

The course will cover all the accounting topics included in the CFA® exam: accounting principles, practices, and standards; understanding the income statement, balance sheet and cash flow statements; inventories, long-lived assets, income taxes, long-term liabilities and leases; and financial statement analysis and warning signs.

Targeted Audience

Any CFA® candidate who is looking to cover all the accounting bases - a key part of the CFA Program curriculum, considered by many to be the most demanding in terms of rules and complex calculations.

Special Offer

Clients who register for this course will receive a complimentary 4-month subscription to FT.com. The Financial Times is the world's most respected financial newspaper, providing a broad assessment on finance, business and the industrial sector. The move to the electronic version follows an ongoing review of our environmental responsibilities as a global business and as part of the Pearson group. FT.com also has features that are not available in hard copy, such as: Special Reports, Alphaville, editor blogs, education sections and much more! Subscriptions will start within 6-8 weeks of the start of class and are limited to one subscription per client. (Please note: as of May 1, 2011, the electronic subscription replaces the hard-copy 3-month Financial Times subscription.)

Advance Preparation

To take the CFA® exam, you must be enrolled with CFA Institute, a global membership association that administers the Chartered Financial Analyst® (CFA) and Certificate in Investment Performance Measurement (CIPM) curriculum and exam programs worldwide. For more information about the exam or how to enroll, call 800-247-8132 or visit www.cfainstitute.org. CFA Institute does not endorse, promote, review, or warrant the accuracy of the products or services offered by New York Institute of Finance (NYIF) or verify or endorse the pass rates claimed by NYIF. CFA® and Chartered Financial Analyst® are trademarks owned by CFA Institute.

Prerequisites

CFA® candidates must purchase either the Texas Instruments BA II Plus (including BA II Plus Professional) or the Hewlett Packard 12C (including the HP 12C Platinum) calculator for use in class.

Alumni Comments

"The instructors' knowledge was a definite strength of this course."

"The instructors were able to slow down the process and work through it."

"Breaking down the accounting topics and slowing down the speed of the lectures was a HUGE help."

"The instructors had an excellent ability to stimulate discussion."

"The instructors really knew what they were talking about, and they taught to the test (instead of reviewing abstract accounting references)."

Level: Intermediate

Detailed Outline

Session 1 - Saturday, March 10, 2012; Sept 22, 2012

Session 2 - Saturday, March 17, 2012; Sept. 29, 2012

Financial Statement - Introduction

Liabilities and Stockholders

Assets

Income Statements

Session 3 - Saturday, March 24, 2012; October 6, 2012

Cash Flows

Ratio Analysis

Please note: The order in which topics will be covered is subject to change. A finalized topics schedule will be distributed to all delegates at the first class session.

Scheduling Note

Whenever possible, New York Institute of Finance avoids scheduling courses on holidays and religious observances. However, due to the demanding nature of CFA® exam preparation, review sessions will be held as scheduled. We regret that sessions cannot be rescheduled to accommodate individual delegates.

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