

MPAc ACCOUNTING ASSESSMENT 2013-2014

Course: ACC 6362 – Tax Research Methodology

Measure: Exam

Intended Result: 75%

Actual Result: 86.5%

Use of Results: The students achieved 86.5% on this assessment compared to an intended result of 75%. This assessment addresses identifying multiple research sources (84%), making effective use of current and reliable sources (100%), identifying relevant sources of tax law (84%), demonstrating appropriate use of research technology (84%), identifying critical issues (84%), and applying original ideas to resolving the issues (81%). The instructor will add resources to maintain relevance of ever-changing laws and engage students in critical thinking to understand a tax question, research the multiplicity of available sources to identify the most relevant and apply the law to reach an optimal solution for the client.

MPACGLG2.2 – Demonstrate knowledge of International Financial Reporting Standards.

Course: ACC 6317 – Advanced Accounting Problems

Measure: Exam

Intended Result: 100%

Actual Result: 83.92%

Use of Results: International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) have not been emphasized in the graduate curriculum because, historically, they have not received significant coverage on the CPA exam. Last year was the first year to include this as an assessment and was added after the course was designed. This resulted in last year's score of 4%. After more work to incorporate IFRS into the curriculum we saw a significant increase in test scores to 83.92% this year. The faculty will continue to evaluate the curriculum to determine the most effective and efficient methods of coverage and the courses best suited to this timely topic.