



Financial Statements Preparation, Reporting & Analysis Course

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Introduction:

Preparing financial statements and annual reports are key communication channels between companies and stakeholders.

This financial reporting training will equip you with the know-how to craft transparent and credible financial reports aligned with the International Financial Reporting Standards IFRS, ultimately enhancing your organization's integrity in financial reporting.

Enhance your financial reporting certification potential by immersing yourself in our financial statements training courses. Understand the system of preparing financial statements, gain insight into reporting and analysis techniques, and learn how to make a financial analysis report that stands up to scrutiny.

Dive into our comprehensive financial reporting course segment, which gives you the analytical tools and methods to understand prepared financial statements. Cultivate the ability to conduct robust reporting analysis and solidify your stature as a financial reporting and analysis expert.

Targeted Groups:

- Senior and junior accountants.
- Accounting and finance professionals.
- Chief accountants.
- Accounting managers and supervisors.
- Financial controllers.
- This financial statements and reporting course is for any accounting and finance professional interested in deepening their skill set regarding the nuances of financial statement preparation and assorted notes.

Course Objectives:

Participants will finish the financial statements and reporting course with the ability to:

- Comprehend the entire accounting cycle and its pivotal role.
- Confidently read and interpret a company's financial statements.
- Master the design of a chart of accounts that reflects your business.
- Execute appropriate adjusting entries.
- Grasp the nuances of financial statements and their constituent elements.
- Apply rigorous techniques to analyze financial statements and identify underlying issues meticulously.

Targeted Competencies:

At the end of this financial statements and reporting course, the target competencies will be able to:

- Firm grasp of the accounting cycle.
- Expertise in designing a chart of accounts.
- Skillful execution of accounting adjusting entries.
- Proficient in preparing and critically analyzing income statements.
- Adeptness in preparing and scrutinizing balance sheets.
- Competence in designing and evaluating cash flow statements.
- Keen aptitude for reviewing and dissecting financial statement notes.
- Proficiency in utilizing Excel functions for financial reporting analytics.

Course Content:

Unit 1: The Accounting Cycle:

- Analyze and quantify transactions.
- Record transactions in a chronological journal.
- Transfer journal entries to the ledger.
- Draft an unadjusted trial balance.
- Prepare and post adjusting entries.
- Generate an adjusted trial balance.
- Compose complete financial statements.
- Facilitate closing entries.
- Formulate a post-closing trial balance.

Unit 2: Designing Chart of Accounts:

- Principles of chart of accounts design.
- Examples of well-structured chart accounts.
- Exploration of the 5 significant accounts in accounting.
- Sequencing account categories on a chart of accounts.
- Usage of a standard chart of accounts.
- Crafting a chart of accounts within SAP.
- Setting a chart of account structure parameters.

Unit 3: Performing Accounting Adjustment Entries:

- Delving into the essence of accounting adjustments.
- Categorization and varieties of Adjusting Entries.
- Description of the 5 main types of adjusting entries.
- Detailed examination of changing entries in accounting with examples.
- Delineation of the 4 primary types of adjusting entries.
- Demystification of the two fundamental categories of adjusting entries.
- Simplified insights into comprehending adjusting entries.

Unit 4: Preparing Financial Statements:

- An introduction to the strategic preparation of financial statements.
- The sequential order of financial statement preparation.
- Overview of the 4 fundamental financial statements.
- Steps to construct a comprehensive balance sheet.
- Formulation of a detailed income statement.
- Blueprint for compiling a cash flow statement.
- Compilation of the financial statements of retained earnings.
- Addressing issues prevalent in financial statements.

Unit 5: Reviewing and Understanding Financial Statements Notes:

- In-depth understanding of financial statements.
- Methods to verify the accuracy of financial statements.
- Analytical breakdown of a balance sheet.
- Methodical reviewing of financial statements.
- Implementation of a financial statement review checklist.