

BUSI 3005 C - Taxation I Winter 2019

COURSE OUTLINE

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Course Description

This course introduces Federal income tax laws and regulations and their impact on an individual's financial and business decisions. Problems, issues and planning associated with the Income Tax Act and concerned with the computation of taxable income and taxes payable by an individual are discussed.

Course Objectives

Accountants cannot make intelligent business decisions without first considering the tax implications of the choices. An understanding of Canadian taxation is therefore necessary in order to make those decisions.

BUSI 3005 is the first of two introductory courses (with BUSI 4005) in income tax law which are designed to achieve the following objectives:

- 1) To explain the theoretical concepts behind the specific provisions of the law,
- 2) To apply the law in practical problems and case settings,
- 3) To interpret the law, taking into account the specific wording of the provisions, judicial decisions and the Canada Revenue Agency's (CRA) position, and
- 4) To introduce basic tax planning concepts through case application

This course is an introduction to tax principles and practice. The focus of BUSI 3005 – Taxation I is on fundamental principles and personal income tax. The focus of BUSI 4005 – Taxation II is on corporate income tax and specialized topics.

Prerequisites

BUSI 2001 – Intermediate Accounting I (with a grade of C- or higher)

This course is a prerequisite to: BUSI 4005 – Taxation II (with a grade of C- or higher) Precludes additional credit for: BUSI 2005 – Income Tax Fundamentals

Course Materials

<u>Required:</u>

- Textbook, available at:
 - o Haven Books 43 Seneca St., corner of Seneca and Sunnyside, and
 - Carleton Bookstore University Centre

"Introduction to Federal Income Taxation in Canada 39th edition with Student Study Guide, Beam, Laiken and Barnett, 2018"

- Coursepack, available:
 - Soft copy on **cuLearn** (if printing yourself or bringing a laptop to class)
 - Hard copy available for purchase from Emily (refer to email near start of term)
 - Please come to class prepared with either a hard copy, or soft copy accessible on a reasonable device (not your phone)
- Course website on cuLearn: <u>http://www.carleton.ca/culearn</u>
 - o Assignments
 - o Additional material

Supplemental:

- Textbooks (on reserve in Library)
 - "Introduction to Federal Income Taxation in Canada 39th edition with Student Study Guide, Beam, Laiken and Barnett, 2018"
 - o Canadian Tax Principles, 2018-19 Edition, Byrd & Chen, 2018
- Websites:
 - Canada Revenue Agency: <u>www.cra.gc.ca</u>
 - Income Tax Act on the Department of Justice Canada website: <u>http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/I-3.3/page-1.html</u>

Method of Instruction

The format of the course consists generally of one 180-minute lecture each week. Due to time constraints, not all chapter material will be covered in class. Students are responsible for the entire content of each chapter of the textbook assigned, as well as additional topics discussed in class, except for those specifically excluded by the instructor.

Class sessions entail a mixture of lecture, problem solving, case study, group work, and discussion. The content of any lecture presumes and expects you have carefully studied the assigned reading. Lectures emphasize the major topics and readings, yet you are responsible for all assigned materials. It requires active learning, which means students must take responsibility for the learning that takes place. You must be prepared for each class, participate during class, and practice the learned material after class. You are encouraged to ask questions and stimulate discussion on topics you have difficulty understanding.

Grading Scheme

Participation	5%
Group Assignments (4)	37.5%
Midterm – 80 minutes (in class March 4) (Ch 1-6, 14)	17.5%
Final Exam – 3 hours (during formal final exam period)	<u>40%</u>
	<u>100%</u>

Participation

Participation marks will be awarded for effort on ad hoc participation activities, which will be announced either in-class or via cuLearn announcement/email. The activities are not intended to be arduous nor time-consuming.

Group Assignments

The assignments will be due on cuLearn by midnight on the following dates:

Assignment #	Chapter Coverage	Due Date	% of Grade
1	1, 2, 14	Jan 27	7.5%
2	3, 4, 5	Feb 24	10%
3	6, 7, 8, NALT & ATT	Mar 24	10%
4	9, 10	Apr 7	10%

* NALT & ATT: Non-Arm's Length Transactions and Attribution Rules (chapters 6 & 7)

The assignments are to be done individually. Late assignments will NOT be accepted. Make-up assignments are not provided.

Midterm and Final Exam

The midterm and final exam will test both the technical and conceptual aspects of the course. Only non-programmable calculators (without alpha storage capabilities) will be permitted. Translation dictionaries are allowed as long as they are in print format and do not contain any handwritten notes. Electronic translation dictionaries are not allowed. All assigned readings, inclass handouts and material from lectures are examinable.

Missed Midterm: The only valid excuse for missing the mid-term is for medical reasons or death in the family and must be documented with a medical certificate. Any other reason (such as travel, etc...) will not be considered. In such circumstances the make-up mid-term will be held on Monday March 11 from 07:00 – 08:20am. If you miss the make-up midterm for any reason, your grade on the mid-term will be zero, i.e. there will be no make-up-make up mid-term.

The final examination will be held in the regular examination period (Apr 12-27). The duration of the exam will be 3 hours. The final examination will cover the whole course. You need to obtain a minimum of 45% on the final exam to pass this course. A Tax Appendix, with various information, will be provided by the instructor as part of the final exam (you will see this appendix, and what it contains, prior to the examination).

Marking

The assignments and exams will be marked by the teaching assistants and the instructors together and follow a rigorous quality control process that reasonably assures that the grade awarded on exams is fair. However, no system is 100% error-free, so it is possible that you may wish to call into question a grade that has been awarded on a test. In this circumstance, please write a brief note describing the difficulty with the awarded grade and provide this note, together with the graded test/assignment, to the instructor or teaching assistant no later than <u>seven calendar days</u> following the date the assignments/tests were handed back. Please be sure to include your name and student number on the note to enable us to properly identify it.

Conduct

Professional conduct is built upon the idea of mutual respect. Such conduct includes (but is not limited to):

1) Attendance & Punctuality

Doing well in the course is highly correlated to your attendance. We will do my best to make the class of value to you, and in turn, we expect you to bring your energy and good attitude with you to each and every class. If circumstances prevent attendance, please remember that you are responsible for all materials discussed, handouts distributed, problems covered, and announcements made.

Late arrivals are disruptive to us and the other students in the class and so should be avoided when possible. On a similar note, early departures should also be an exception.

2) Other Disruptions

This is a very broad category, and includes leaving and re-entering class (although we understand that there are times that this is a necessity). Side conversations are discouraged, however, talking to the class a whole, is encouraged. Texting, other cell phone use, internet surfing or completing other classwork while in our class is a poor use of your time and will not be tolerated. Please turn your phone on silent (or off).

3) Being Prepared

You should be ready to discuss any assigned readings and to answer any assigned questions for each day's class. Please refer to the course below, as well as any in-class announcements to know what is expected from you at each class.

Stay on Top of the Work

Work Expected Each Week	Estimated Time (Minutes)
BEFORE CLASS	
Review learning objectives for chapter	5
Read chapter(s) for next class (see calendar)	90
Read slides for next class	20
Note down any questions you have for class	5
IN CLASS - attend class as active participant/learner AFTER CLASS	180
Try some review/exercise problems from Chapter	120
Work on assignment	120
	~540
	~9

MONTH	DATE	EXPECTED CLASS COVERAGE	REQUIRED READINGS	ASSIGNMENT COVERAGE	
JAN	7	Introduction to Course; Begin Chapter 1	-Course Outline; -Course Objectives -Chapter 1	Assignment 1	
	14	Chapter 2 - Liability for Tax Chapter 14 - Rights and Obligations	-Chapter 2 - Liability for Tax (exception: 2025 - 2025.30) -Chapter 14 - Rights and Obligations (exception: advanced content "A")	Chap 1, 2, 14 Due Jan 27	
	21	Chapter 3 - Employment Income	-Chapter 3 (exception: advanced content "A") -S2-F3-C2 Folio on Benefits & Allowances		
FEB	4	Chapter 4 - Business Income	-Chapter 4 (exception: advanced content "A") -Review Example Problem 4-7 in detail	Assignment 2 Chap 3, 4, 5 Due Feb 24	
11	11	Chapter 5 - CCA	-Chapter 5 -changes to half year rule: https://www.budget.gc.ca/fes- eea/2018/docs/statement-enonce/anx03-en.html		
	25	Chapter 6 & 13 - Property Income	-Chapter 6 (exception: 6100-6190 - attribution. Will do later) -Chapter 13 (Sections 13070, 13075 and 13080 only)	Assignment 3	
MAR	4	Midterm Chapter 7 - Capital Gains/Losses	-Chapter 7 (exceptions: 7200-7290 - NALT & ATTR. Will do later. Advanced content "A")	6, 13, 7, 8 Due Mar 24	
	11	Chapter 8 - Capital Gains/Losses Chapter 6 & 7 (NALT & ATTR)	-Chapter 8 -Sections 6100 - 6190, 7200-7290 (skipped in previous weeks)		
	18				
	25	Chapter 9 - Other Income & Deductions	-Chapter 9	Assignment 4 9, 10	
APR	1	Chapter 10 - Computation of Taxable Income and Taxes Payable	-Chapter 10	Due Apr 7	
	8	Review			

Course Schedule (note: this is a planned schedule only; deviations may occur)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Course Sharing Websites

Materials created for this course (including presentations and posted notes, labs, case studies, assignments and exams) remain the intellectual property of the author(s). They are intended for personal use and may not be reproduced or redistributed without prior written consent of the author(s).

Required calculator in BUSI course examinations

If you are purchasing a calculator, we recommend any one of the following options: Texas Instruments BA II Plus (including Pro Model), Hewlett Packard HP 12C (including Platinum model), Staples Financial Calculator, Sharp EL-738C & Hewlett Packard HP 10bII

Group work

The Sprott School of Business encourages group assignments in the school for several reasons. They provide you with opportunities to develop and enhance interpersonal, communication, leadership, follower-ship and other group skills. Group assignments are also good for learning integrative skills for putting together a complex task. Your professor may assign one or more group tasks/assignments/projects in this course. Before embarking on a specific problem as a group, it is your responsibility to ensure that the problem is meant to be a group assignment and not an individual one.

In accordance with the Carleton University Undergraduate Calendar (p 34), the letter grades assigned in this course will have the following percentage equivalents:

A+ = 90-100	B+ = 77-79	C+ = 67-69	D+ = 57-59
A = 85-89	B = 73-76	C = 63-66	D = 53-56
A - = 80-84	B - = 70-72	C - = 60-62	D - = 50-52
F = Below 50			

Grades entered by Registrar: WDN = Withdrawn from the course DEF = Deferred

Academic Regulations

University rules regarding registration, withdrawal, appealing marks, and most anything else you might need to know can be found on the university's website, here: http://calendar.carleton.ca/undergrad/regulations/academicregulationsoftheuniversity/

Requests for Academic Accommodation

You may need special arrangements to meet your academic obligations during the term. For an accommodation request, the processes are as follows:

Pregnancy obligation

Please contact your instructor with any requests for academic accommodation during the first two weeks of class, or as soon as possible after the need for accommodation is known to exist. For more details, visit the Equity Services website: <u>carleton.ca/equity/wp-</u> <u>content/uploads/Student-Guide-to-Academic-Accommodation.pdf</u>

Religious obligation

Please contact your instructor with any requests for academic accommodation during the first two weeks of class, or as soon as possible after the need for accommodation is known to exist. For more details, visit the Equity Services website: content/uploads/Student-Guide-to-Academic-Accommodation.

Academic Accommodations for Students with Disabilities

If you have a documented disability requiring academic accommodations in this course, please contact the Paul Menton Centre for Students with Disabilities (PMC) at 613-520-6608 or pmc@carleton.ca for a formal evaluation or contact your PMC coordinator to send your instructor your Letter of Accommodation at the beginning of the term. You must also contact the PMC no later than two weeks before the first in-class scheduled test or exam requiring accommodation (if applicable). After requesting accommodation from PMC, meet with your instructor as soon as possible to ensure accommodation arrangements are made. carleton.ca/pmc

Survivors of Sexual Violence

As a community, Carleton University is committed to maintaining a positive learning, working and living environment where sexual violence will not be tolerated, and is survivors are supported through academic accommodations as per Carleton's Sexual Violence Policy. For more information about the services available at the university and to obtain information about sexual violence and/or support, visit: <u>carleton.ca/sexual-violence-support</u>

Accommodation for Student Activities

Carleton University recognizes the substantial benefits, both to the individual student and for the university, that result from a student participating in activities beyond the classroom experience. Reasonable accommodation must be provided to students who compete or perform at the national or international level. Please contact your instructor with any requests for academic accommodation during the first two weeks of class, or as soon as possible after the need for accommodation is known to exist. <u>https://carleton.ca/senate/wp-content/uploads/Accommodation-for-Student-Activities-1.pdf</u>

For more information on academic accommodation, please contact the departmental administrator or visit: **<u>students.carleton.ca/course-outline</u>**

Academic Integrity

Violations of academic integrity are a serious academic offence. Violations of academic integrity – presenting another's ideas, arguments, words or images as your own, using unauthorized material, misrepresentation, fabricating or misrepresenting research data, unauthorized co-operation or collaboration or completing work for another student – weaken the quality of the degree and will not be tolerated. Penalties may include; a grade of Failure on the submitted work and/or course; academic probation; a refusal of permission to continue or to register in a specific degree program; suspension from full-time studies; suspension from all studies at Carleton; expulsion from Carleton, amongst others. Students are expected to familiarize themselves with and follow the Carleton University Student Academic Integrity Policy which is available, along with resources for compliance at: <u>https://carleton.ca/registrar/academic-integrity</u>/.

Sprott Student Services

The Sprott student services office, located in 710 Dunton Tower, offers academic advising, study skills advising, and overall academic success support. If you are having a difficult time with this course or others, or just need some guidance on how to successfully complete your Sprott degree, please drop in any weekday between 8:30am and 4:30pm. Our advisors are happy to discuss grades, course selection, tutoring, concentrations, and will ensure that you get connected with the resources you need to

succeed! http://sprott.carleton.ca/students/undergraduate/learning-support/

Centre for Student Academic Support

The Centre for Student Academic Support (CSAS) is a centralized collection of learning support services designed to help students achieve their goals and improve their learning both inside and outside the classroom. CSAS offers academic assistance with course content, academic writing and skills development. Visit CSAS on the 4th floor of MacOdrum Library or online at: carleton.ca/csas.

Important Information:

- Students must always retain a hard copy of all work that is submitted.
- All final grades are subject to the Dean's approval.
- For us to respond to your emails, we need to see your full name, CU ID, and the email must be written from your valid CARLETON address. Therefore, in order to respond to your inquiries, please send all email from your Carleton CMail account. If you do not have or have yet to activate this account, you may wish to do so by visiting http://carleton.ca/ccs/students/

IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

January 2, 2019

University reopens at 8:30 a.m.

January 7, 2019

Winter term classes begin.

January 14, 2019

OSAP deferral deadline. <u>Late payment charges and late registration charges</u> applied to the student account on or after this date for eligible OSAP students.

January 18, 2019

Last day for registration for winter term courses. Last day to change courses or sections (including auditing) for winter term courses. Graduate students who have not electronically submitted their final thesis copy to the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Affairs will not be eligible to graduate in winter 2019 and must register for the winter 2019 term.

January 18-20, 25-27, 2019

Fall term deferred examinations will be held.

January 31, 2019

Last day for a <u>fee adjustment</u> when withdrawing from winter term courses or the winter portion of two-term courses (financial withdrawal). Withdrawals after this date will create no financial change to winter term fees and will result in a permanent notation of WDN appearing on your official transcript.

February 15, 2019

April examination schedule available online.

February 18, 2019

Statutory holiday. University closed.

February 18-22, 2019

Winter Break. Classes are suspended.

March 1, 2019

Last day for receipt of <u>applications</u> from potential spring (June) graduates.

Last day for receipt of applications for admission to an undergraduate program for the summer term.

Last day for graduate students to submit their supervisor-approved thesis, in examinable form to the department.

Last day for receipt of applications for admission from candidates who wish to be guaranteed consideration for financial assistance (including Carleton fellowships, scholarships and teaching assistantships) administered by Carleton University. Candidates whose applications are received after the March 1 deadline may be considered for the award of a fellowship, scholarship or

teaching assistantship (Graduate students only).

Application deadline to study at another institution on a <u>letter of permission</u> for the summer term.

March 15, 2019

Last day to request formal exam accommodations for April examinations to the <u>Paul Menton</u> <u>Centre for Students with Disabilities</u>. Note that it may not be possible to fulfill accommodation requests received after the specified deadlines.

March 26, 2019

Last day for summative tests or examinations, or formative tests or examinations totaling more than 15% of the final grade, in winter term or fall/winter courses before the official examination period (see <u>examination regulations</u> in the Academic Regulations of the University section of the Undergraduate Calendar/General Regulations of the Graduate Calendar).

April 7, 2019

<u>Last day to pay any remaining balance on your Student Account</u> to avoid a hold on access to marks through Carleton Central and the release of transcripts and other official documents. An account balance may delay summer 2019 course selection.

April 9, 2019

Winter term ends.

Last day of winter term and fall/winter classes.

Last day for academic withdrawal from winter term and fall/winter courses.

Last day for handing in term work and the last day that can be specified by a course instructor as a due date for term work for winter term and fall/winter courses.

Last day for take home examinations to be assigned, with the exception of those conforming to the <u>examinations regulations</u> in the Academic Regulations of the University section of the Undergraduate Calendar/General Regulations of the Graduate Calendar.

April 10-11, 2019

No classes or examinations take place.

April 12-27, 2019

Final examinations in winter term and fall/winter courses may be held. Examinations are normally held all seven days of the week.

April 19-21, 2019

Statutory holiday. University closed. No examinations take place.

April 27, 2019

All take-home examinations are due on this day, with the exception of those conforming to the <u>examinations regulations</u> in the Academic Regulations of the University section of the Undergraduate Calendar/General Regulations of the Graduate Calendar.

May 1, 2019

Last day for receipt of applications for undergraduate internal degree transfers to allow for registration for the summer session.

May 10, 2019

Graduate students who have not electronically submitted their final thesis copy to the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Affairs will not be eligible to graduate in spring 2019 and must register for the summer 2019 term.

May 17-29, 2019

Winter term and fall/winter deferred final examinations will be held.

May 20, 2019

Statutory holiday. University closed. No examinations take place.