



ACCT 5129 P
Professional Accounting Cases I
Summer 2025

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Class Time: See course schedule below
Modality: Fully In-Person; no online components
Office Hours: By appointment as requested.

Prerequisites & Preclusions:

There are no prerequisites to this course. By virtue of being admitted to the MAcc, you have demonstrated coverage of the entry requirements to the program.

Course Calendar Description:

An introduction to approaching, planning, and writing accounting cases, including integration across multiple disciplines.

Instructor's Description and Learning Objectives:

This course introduces basic interdisciplinary case writing and teaches ways to approach reading, planning, and writing case responses, both through case writing theory, and more importantly, practice. It focuses on identifying the appropriate technical guidance to apply, analyzing the case facts against the criteria identified, including quantitative and qualitative analysis, weighing alternatives if applicable, and providing a supported conclusion. As in real life, the cases will involve issues that are multidisciplinary and will impact one another.

- 1) Develop the ability to identify issues presented in a case.
- 2) Develop the ability to analyze issues presented against criteria using case facts, discussing alternatives and performing calculations when appropriate, and recommending a supported course of action.
- 3) Develop professional written communication skills, for quantitative and qualitative information

Required/Optional Materials & Prices:

- 1) CPA Canada Standards and Guidance Collection
<https://library.carleton.ca/find/databases/subject/Accounting>
- 2) "Case Writing - Tips and Tricks" by Emily Gray, CPA, CA (on Brightspace)
- 3) CPA Competency Map (on Brightspace)

- 4) CFE Blueprint (on Brightspace)
- 5) CFE Appendix (on Brightspace)

Students are not required to purchase textbooks or other learning materials for this course

Grading Scheme:

Component	Weight
Participation - Effort Based Case Submissions	10%
Participation - Case Submissions w/ Feedback	20%
Midterm Exam - 1 Case	20%
Final Exam - 2 Cases	50%
Total	100%

Important Dates:

Case Workshop Day	July 3 - 9:00am to 4:00pm
Midterm Exam	July 25 - 10:00am to 11:30am
Final Exam	August 10 - 10:00am to 1:00pm

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