



Course Code ACCT - 421	Course Title Cyprus Taxation	Credits (ECTS) 6
Department Accounting	Semester Fall/Spring	Prerequisites ACCT-330
Type of Course Required	Field Accounting	Language of Instruction English
Level of Course Undergraduate	Year of Study 4	Lecturer Mr Pantelis Karonias
Mode of Delivery Face to face	Work Placement N/A	Co-requisites None
Recommended Optional Programme Components: N/A		

Objectives of the Course:

The main objectives of the course are to:

- Provide an overview of the Cyprus taxation system
- Explain the core knowledge of the underlying principles of Cyprus taxation
- Show how key taxation principles can be applied in practice
- Discuss the importance and role of taxation in the activities of individuals and businesses
- Explain how the income tax liabilities of individuals and companies are computed

Learning Outcomes:

After completion of the course students are expected to be able to:

1. **Explain** the operation and scope of the Cyprus tax system.
2. **Explain and compute** the income tax liabilities of individuals
3. **Explain and compute** the corporation tax liabilities of individual and groups of companies
4. **Explain and compute** the special contribution for the defence (SCD) liabilities of individuals and companies
5. **Explain and compute** the capital gains tax liabilities of Individuals and companies
6. **Explain and compute** the effects of value added tax on incorporated and unincorporated businesses

Topics:

Introduction, Tax System
Personal Income Taxes
Income from Employment, Badges of Trade
Tax Adjusted Profits
Tax Adjusted Profits
Capital Allowances
Capital Statement
Corporation tax
Corporation tax
Special Defence Contributions
Capital Gains Tax
VAT

Course Contents:

1. **Introduction, Cyprus Tax System:** A demonstration of the overall function and purpose of taxation in a modern economy, the different types of taxes, principal sources of revenue law and practice, tax avoidance and tax evasion
2. **Personal Income Taxes:** The scope of income tax, income from employment, income from self-employment, other income, computation of taxable income and income tax liability
3. **Corporation tax liabilities:** The scope of corporation tax, profits chargeable to corporation tax, computation of corporation tax liability, effect of a group corporate structure for corporation tax purposes.
4. **Special contribution for the defence:** The scope of the special contribution for the defence, computation of SDC liabilities for individuals and companies. Deemed Distribution Provisions.
5. **Capital gains:** The scope of the taxation of capital gains, basic principles of computing gains and losses, gains and losses on the disposal of immovable property, computation of the capital gains tax payable by individuals and companies.
6. **Value added tax:** The scope of value added tax (VAT), the VAT registration requirements, and the computation of VAT liabilities.

Teaching Methods:

Lectures, In-Class Exercises, and analysis of ACCA F6 - Taxation past exam papers.

Assessment Methods:

Homework, Mid-Term, Final Exam.

Required Textbooks:

Authors	Title	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Savvas E. Savvides	Textbook for Cyprus Variant Paper F6	CTR Publications Ltd	2010	9963 – 595 – 66 - 9