Accounting

ACADEMIC SKILLS

AA SPEAKING AND LISTENING

AA1 Utilize effective verbal and non-verbal communication skills

AA2 Participate in conversation, discussion and group presentations

AA3 Communicate and follow directions/procedures

AA4 Utilize speaking and listening skills to communicate effectively with customers and co-workers

AB READING AND WRITING

AB1 Locate and interpret written information

AB2 Read and interpret workplace documents, e.g., reports, manuals, schematics, flowcharts, tables, graphs

AB3 Identify relevant details, facts and specifications

AB4 Record information accurately and completely

AB5 Demonstrate competence in organizing, writing and editing using correct vocabulary, spelling, grammar and punctuation

AB6 Demonstrate the ability to write clearly and concisely using industry-specific terminology

AC CRITICAL THINKING AND PROBLEM SOLVING

AC1 Utilize critical-thinking skills to determine best options/outcomes, e.g., analyze reliable/unreliable sources of information, use previous experiences, implement crisis management, develop contingency planning

AC2 Utilize innovation and problem-solving skills to arrive at the best solution for the current situation

AC3 Implement effective decision-making skills

AD MATHEMATICS

AD1 Perform basic and higher-level math operations, e.g., addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, decimals, fractions, units of conversion, averaging, percentage, proportion, ratios, numbering systems

AD2 Solve problems using measurement skills, e.g., distance, weight, area, volume

AD3 Make reasonable estimates

AD4 Use tables, graphs, diagrams and charts to obtain or convey information

AD5 Use reasoning and problem-solving skills in mathematics

AE FINANCIAL LITERACY

AE1 Locate, evaluate and apply personal financial information

AE2 Identify the components of a budget and how one is created

AE3 Set personal financial goals and develop a plan for achieving them

AE4 Describe types of financial service providers and considerations in selecting a provider

AE5 Demonstrate ability to meet financial obligations

AF INTERNET USE AND SECURITY

AF1 Recognize the potential risks associated with internet and social media use

AF2 Identify and apply internet security practices, e.g., password security, login, logout, log off, lock computer

AF3 Practice safe, legal and responsible use of technology in the workplace

AG INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

AG1 Use technology appropriately to enhance professional presentations

AG2 Demonstrate effective, appropriate and ethical use of social media

AG3 Identify ways social media can be used as marketing, advertising and data gathering tools

AH TELECOMMUNICATIONS

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AH1 Select and utilize the appropriate environment, devices, services and applications to complete workplace tasks

AH2 Demonstrate appropriate etiquette when using telecommunications, e.g., cell phone, e-mail, messaging services, online meetings, conference calls

EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS

EA POSITIVE WORK ETHIC

- EA1 Explain the importance of pride and confidence about work and learning new tasks
- EA2 Demonstrate consistent and punctual attendance
- EA3 Demonstrate initiative in assuming tasks
- EA4 Exhibit dependability in the workplace
- EA5 Take and provide direction in the workplace
- EA6 Accept responsibility for personal decisions and actions

EB INTEGRITY

- EB1 Abide by workplace policies and procedures, e.g., safety, internet and cell phone use, code of conduct
- EB2 Demonstrate honesty and reliability
- EB3 Demonstrate ethical characteristics and behaviors
- EB4 Maintain confidentiality and integrity of company information
- EB5 Support the mission and vision of the company

EC SELF-REPRESENTATION

- EC1 Demonstrate appropriate dress and hygiene in the workplace
- EC2 Use language and manners suitable for the workplace
- EC3 Demonstrate polite and respectful behavior toward others

ED TIME, TASK AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

- ED1 Plan and follow a work schedule
- ED2 Complete work tasks successfully with minimal supervision
- ED3 Work successfully within budgetary constraints
- ED4 Demonstrate ability to stay on task to produce high-quality deliverables on time

EE DIVERSITY AWARENESS

EE1 Define and differentiate diversity, equity, inclusion, discrimination and harassment

- EE2 Work effectively with all customers and co-workers
- EE3 Explain the benefits of diversity within the workplace
- EE4 Explain the importance of respect for the feelings, values and beliefs of others
- EE5 Identify strategies to bridge cultural/generational differences and use differing perspectives to increase the overall quality of work
- EE6 Illustrate techniques for eliminating bias and stereotyping in the workplace
- EE7 Identify ways tasks can be structured to accommodate the diverse needs of workers
- EE8 Recognize the challenges and advantages of a global workforce

EF TEAMWORK

- EF1 Recognize the characteristics of a team environment and conventional workplace
- EF2 Demonstrate effective team skills, e.g., setting goals, listening, following directions, questioning, dividing work, conflict resolution, meeting facilitation, and evaluate their importance in the workplace

EG CREATIVITY AND RESOURCEFULNESS

- EG1 Explain the importance of contributing and conveying new ideas in the workplace
- EG2 Describe the importance of posing questions when developing ideas
- EG3 Explain the value of varying ideas and opinions
- EG4 Locate and verify information during the creative process

EH CONFLICT RESOLUTION

- EH1 Identify conflict resolution skills to enhance productivity and improve workplace relationships
- EH2 Implement conflict resolution strategies and problem-solving skills
- EH3 Explain the use of documentation and its role as a component of conflict resolution

EI CUSTOMER/CLIENT SERVICE

- EI1 Recognize the importance of and demonstrate how to properly greet/approach customers and clients
- EI2 Identify and address needs of customers/clients
- EI3 Provide helpful, courteous and knowledgeable service
- EI4 Identify appropriate channels of communication with customers/clients, e.g., online, phone call, face-to-face

EI5 Identify techniques to seek and use customer/client feedback to improve company services

EI6 Explain the relationship between customer/client satisfaction and company success

EJ ORGANIZATIONS, SYSTEMS AND CLIMATES

- EJ1 Define profit and identify factors affecting the profitability of a business
- EJ2 Identify "big picture" issues in conducting business, e.g., forecasting, global market, risk management
- EJ3 Identify roles in fulfilling the mission of the workplace
- EJ4 Identify the rights of workers, e.g., adult and child labor laws, and other equal employment opportunity laws
- EJ5 Recognize the chain of command, organizational flow chart system and hierarchy of management within an organization

EK JOB ACQUISITION AND ADVANCEMENT

- EK1 Recognize the importance of maintaining a job and pursuing a career
- EK2 Define jobs associated with a specific career path or profession
- EK3 Identify and seek various work experience opportunities, e.g., volunteerism, internships, co-op, part-time/full-time employment
- EK4 Prepare a resume, cover letter and job application
- EK5 Prepare for and participate in a job interview, e.g., research company, highlight personal strengths, prepare questions, conduct a mock interview, dress appropriately
- EK6 Explain the components of a successful job interview
- EK7 Identify key factors to evaluate employment offers, e.g., salary, benefits packages
- EK8 Explain the proper procedure for leaving a job

EL LIFELONG LEARNING

- EL1 Acquire current and emerging industry-related information
- EL2 Demonstrate commitment to learning as a life-long process and recognize learning opportunities
- EL3 Identify various self-improvement opportunities
- EL4 Explain the importance of adaptability in career planning and self-management, e.g., diverse portfolio, credentials, professional development
- EL5 Employ leadership skills to achieve workplace objectives, e.g., personal vision, adaptability, change, shared vision

EL6 Recognize the importance of job performance evaluation and coaching as it relates to career advancement

EL7 Accept and provide constructive criticism

EL8 Describe the impact of the global economy on jobs and careers

EM JOB SPECIFIC TECHNOLOGIES

EM1 Identify the value of new technologies and their impact on driving continuous change and the need for lifelong learning

EM2 Research and identify emerging technologies for specific careers

EM3 Select appropriate technological resources to accomplish work

EN HEALTH AND SAFETY

EN1 Identify and assume responsibility for the safety of self and others

EN2 Follow safety guidelines in the workplace, e.g., OSHA, CDC

EN3 Explain the impact of personal health and wellness on job performance

OCCUPATIONAL SKILLS

OA BUSINESS LAW

OA1 Acquire foundational knowledge of business laws and regulations to understand their nature and scope

OA2 Apply knowledge of business ownership to establish and continue business operations

OA3 Understand government regulations pertaining to the finance industry to protect the company's well-being

OA4 Acquire a foundational knowledge of compliance to understand its nature and scope

OA5 Implement compliance measures in accounting to adhere to regulatory requirements

OB COMMUNICATION SKILLS

OB1 Read to acquire meaning from written material and to apply the information to a task

OB2 Apply verbal skills to obtain and convey information

OB3 Record information to maintain and present a report of business activity

OB4 Write internal and external business correspondence to convey and obtain information effectively

OB5 Use social media to communicate with a business's stakeholders

OB6 Communicate with staff to clarify workplace objectives

OC CUSTOMER RELATIONS

OC1 Foster positive relationships with customers to enhance company image

OC2 Resolve conflicts with/for customers to encourage repeat business

OC3 Reinforce company's image to exhibit the company's brand promise

OC4 Understand characteristics, motivations and behaviors of clients in finance to facilitate client interaction

OC5 Utilize technology to facilitate customer relationship management

OD ECONOMICS

OD1 Understand fundamental economic concepts to obtain a foundation for employment in business

OD2 Understand the nature of business to show its contributions to society

OD3 Understand economic systems to be able to recognize the environments in which businesses function

OD4 Acquire knowledge of the impact of government on business activities to make informed economic decisions

OD5 Analyze cost/profit relationships to guide business decision-making

OD6 Understand economic indicators to recognize economic trends and conditions

OD7 Understand global trade's impact to aid business decision-making

OE EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE

OE1 Develop personal traits to foster career advancement

OE2 Apply ethics to demonstrate trustworthiness

OE3 Identify with others' feelings, needs and concerns to enhance interpersonal relations

OE4 Manage stressful situations to minimize the potential negative impact

OE5 Implement teamwork techniques to accomplish goals

OE6 Employ leadership skills to achieve workplace objectives

OE7 Manage internal and external business relationships to foster positive interactions

OF FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

OF1 Understand the fundamental principles of money needed to make financial exchanges

OF2 Analyze financial needs and goals to determine financial requirements

OF3 Manage personal finances to achieve financial goals

OF4 Understand the use of financial service providers to aid in financial goal achievement

OF5 Use investment strategies to ensure financial well-being

OF6 Use risk management products to protect a business's financial well-being

OF7 Acquire a foundational knowledge of accounting to understand its nature and scope

OF8 Implement accounting procedures to track money flow and to determine financial status

OF9 Acquire a foundational knowledge of finance to understand its nature and scope

OF10 Manage financial resources to ensure solvency

OF11 Classify, record and summarize data to produce needed financial information

OF12 Maintain cash controls to track cash flow

OF13 Understand financial markets to recognize their importance in business

OF14 Utilize sources of securities information to make informed financial decisions

OF15 Acquire fundamental knowledge of investment analysis and selection to make prudent investment decisions

OF16 Produce financial reports to communicate the results of business activity

OF17 Perform accounts payable functions to record, control and disburse payments to vendors

OF18 Perform accounts receivable functions to record, control and collect payments due from the sale of goods and services

OF19 Maintain inventory records to track the location, quantity and value of goods and services

OF20 Understand the fundamentals of managerial accounting to aid in financial decision-making

OF21 Perform specialized accounting procedures to track cash flow

OF22 Complete payroll procedures to calculate, record and distribute payroll.

OF23 Implement suitable internal accounting controls to ensure the proper recording of financial transactions

OG INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

OG1 Acquire a foundational knowledge of information management to understand its nature and scope

OG2 Utilize information-technology tools to manage and perform work responsibilities

OG3 Utilize technology to record and analyze accounting transactions

OH FINANCIAL-INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

OH1 Acquire foundational knowledge of financial-information management to understand its nature and scope

OH2 Utilize information technology tools to manage financial information and perform work responsibilities

OI MARKETING

OI1 Understand marketing's role and function in business to facilitate economic exchanges with customers

OI2 Acquire foundational knowledge of customer/client/business behavior to understand what motivates decision-making

OJ OPERATIONS

OJ1 Understand operation's role and function in business to value its contribution to a company

- OJ2 Adhere to health and safety regulations to support a safe work environment
- OJ3 Implement safety procedures to minimize loss
- OJ4 Implement security policies/procedures to minimize the chance for loss
- OJ5 Comply with security rules, regulations and codes e.g., property, privacy, access, confidentiality) to protect customer and company information, reputation and image
- OJ6 Utilize project management skills to improve workflow and minimize costs
- OJ7 Implement purchasing activities to obtain business supplies, equipment, resources and services
- OJ8 Understand production's role and function in business to recognize its need in an organization
- OJ9 Maintain property and equipment to facilitate ongoing business activities
- OJ10 Implement expense-control strategies to enhance a business's financial well-being

OK PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- OK1 Acquire self-development skills to enhance relationships and improve efficiency in the work environment
- OK2 Understand and follow company rules and regulations to maintain employment
- OK3 Utilize critical thinking skills to determine best options/outcomes
- OK4 Participate in career planning to enhance job success potential
- OK5 Implement job seeking skills to obtain employment
- OK6 Utilize career advancement activities to enhance professional development
- OK7 Understand careers in accounting to determine which role and responsibilities best match personal abilities and traits
- OK8 Explore career-advancement activities in the accounting industry to enhance professional development
- OK9 Acquire knowledge of accounting standards to record, report and evaluate financial data appropriately

OL RISK MANAGEMENT

- OL1 Acquire a foundational understanding of risk management to demonstrate knowledge of its nature and scope
- OL2 Explore risk control to understand its relationship to risk management