Course Outline
RSM 323H1F
Auditing I
FALL 2016

Class Meets:  L0101:  Wednesdays (12-2 pm) at WW121,  L0201:  Fridays (12-2 pm) at WO20
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Course Scope and Mission
The main objectives of this course are to help students understand what an auditor does; to explain how,
where, and why audits are conducted and, most importantly, to acquaint students with the limitations of an
audit.

Specific objectives include the following:
• Understanding Generally Accepted Auditing Standards
• Introducing the role of professional judgment in auditing
• Understanding how auditors communicate with the public
• Understanding how an audit is conducted
• Understanding the important role played by professional ethics and the effect of legal liability on
  the profession

By the end of the course, students should be able to understand the context and the process of audit well
enough to plan an audit of a client. Students should also understand the nature of the audit function in
accounting firms well enough that they can decide whether they wish to pursue a career in public
accounting.

Course Prerequisites RSM221H1

Course Materials

CPA Canada Handbook - Assurance (HB)
Auditing: An International Approach (7th Edition), [2015] Smeliauskas and Bewley (SB)
Evaluation and Grades

Grades are a measure of the performance of a student in individual courses. Each student shall be judged on the basis of how well he or she has command of the course materials.

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Course format and expectations

1. Quizzes

To help students review course materials and gauge their learning progress, two quizzes will be conducted during class time: one before mid-term and one after mid-term. Each quiz accounts for 5% of the course.

2. Midterm Test

The midterm is on Friday October 28 from 12:30-2:30 in WI 1016 & 1017. The term test covers material up to and including Chapter 7. If you cannot attend the exam at this time, you must inform your professor by email by October 1st. Also, you must provide proof that you are unable to attend such as a copy of your timetable indicating you have class at this time or documentation from your employer.

The midterm test will cover all materials covered by the date of the test. The test will consist of questions similar to the questions and problems in the [SB] book. The contents related to class discussions, relevant CPA Canada Handbook materials, and the assigned textbook chapters may be examined.

A student wishing to have his/her midterm test remarked must return the test to the instructor with an explanation within one week from the class the midterm was returned to the class. No tests, which were written in pencil or used white out will be remarked.

3. Missed Midterm

Students may miss a term tests due to illness, domestic affliction, or in the case of part time students, work commitments, without academic penalty providing the appropriate documentation is received and approved in a timely manner.

In such cases, students must notify Rotman Commerce on the date of the missed test (or due date in the case of course work) and submit supporting documentation (e.g. Verification of Student Illness or Injury form) to the Rotman Commerce Program Office within 48 hours of the originally scheduled test or due date. Students who do not provide Rotman Commerce or the instructor with appropriate or sufficient supporting documentation will be given a grade of 0 (zero) for the missed test or course deliverable.

**Note that the physician’s report must establish that the patient was examined and diagnosed at the time of illness, not after the fact. Rotman Commerce will not accept a statement that merely confirms a report of illness made by the student and documented by the physician.**

Students who legitimately miss the mid term test will have the final exam reweighted. There is no make-up test.
4. **Class Discussions**  
Students from time to time may be divided into discussion groups in class to work on various types of questions and mini-cases. Group representatives may be asked to present the outcomes of the group discussion respectively.

5. **Final Examination**  
The final examination will cover material from the entire course. The final exam will consist of questions similar to the questions and problems in the [SB] book. The class discussions, assignments, referred Handbook materials, and assigned textbook chapters for the whole course may be examined.

**Weekly Schedule**

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<td>Sept. 14/16</td>
<td>Overview of professional practice</td>
<td>[SB] Chapters 1 &amp; 2</td>
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<td>Sept. 21/23</td>
<td>Auditor’s ethical and legal responsibilities</td>
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<td>Sept. 28/30</td>
<td>Reports on audited financial statements</td>
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<td>Preliminary audit planning</td>
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<td>Oct. 12/14</td>
<td>Assessing risks</td>
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<td>Oct. 19/21</td>
<td>Audit evidence and assurance</td>
<td>[SB] Chapter 8</td>
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<td>Oct. 28</td>
<td>Midterm test - all sections – Oct. 28 from 12:30 – 2:30 p.m. in WI 1016 &amp; 1017. Covers material up to and including Chapter 7.</td>
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<td>Control assessment and testing</td>
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<td>Audit Sampling</td>
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<td>Performing auditing</td>
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<td>12</td>
<td>Nov. 30/Dec. 2</td>
<td>Completing the audit</td>
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Policy and procedure

1. Accessibility Needs

The University of Toronto is committed to accessibility. If you require accommodations for a disability, or have any accessibility concerns about the course, the classroom or course materials, please contact Accessibility Services as soon as possible: accessibility.services@utoronto.ca or http://www.accessibility.utoronto.ca/.

2. Academic Integrity

Academic Integrity is a fundamental value essential to the pursuit of learning and scholarships at the University of Toronto. Participating honestly, respectively, responsibly, and fairly in this academic community ensures that the UofT degree that you earn will continue to be valued and respected as a true signifier of a student's individual work and academic achievement. As a result, the University treats cases of academic misconduct very seriously.

The University of Toronto’s Code of Behaviour on Academic Matters http://www.governingcouncil.utoronto.ca/policies/behaveac.htm outlines the behaviours that constitute academic misconduct, the process for addressing academic offences, and the penalties that may be imposed. You are expected to be familiar with the contents of this document. Potential offences include, but are not limited to:

In papers and assignments:
- Using someone else's ideas or words without appropriate acknowledgement.
- Submitting your own work in more than one course without the permission of the instructor.
- Making up sources or facts.
- Obtaining or providing unauthorized assistance on any assignment (this includes collaborating with others on assignments that are supposed to be completed individually).

On test and exams:
- Using or possessing any unauthorized aid, including a cell phone.
- Looking at someone else's answers.
- Misrepresenting your identity.
- Submitting an altered test for re-grading.

Misrepresentation:
- Falsifying institutional documents or grades.
- Falsifying or altering any documentation required by the University, including (but not limited to), medical notes.

All suspected cases of academic dishonesty will be investigated by the following procedures outlined in the Code of Behaviour on Academic Matters. If you have any question about what is or is not permitted in the course, please do not hesitate to contact the course instructor. If you have any questions about appropriate research and citation methods, you are expected to seek out additional information from the instructor or other UofT resources such as College Writing Centres or the Academic Success Centre.

3. Email

At times, the course instructor may decide to communicate important course information by email. As such, all UofT students are required to have a valid UTmail+ email address. You are responsible for
ensuring that your UTmail+ email address is set up AND properly entered on the ROSI system. For more information please visit http://help.ic.utoronto.ca/category/3/utmail.html

Forwarding your utoronto.ca email to a Hotmail, Gmail, Yahoo or other type of email account is not advisable. In some cases, messages from utoronto.ca addresses sent to Hotmail, Gmail or Yahoo accounts are filtered as junk mail, which means that important messages from your course instructor may end up in your spam or junk mail folder.

4. Blackboard and the Course Page

The online course page for this course is accessed through Blackboard. To access the course page, go to the UofT Portal login at https://portal.utoronto.ca/ and log in using your UTORid and password. Once you have logged in, look for the My Courses module where you’ll find the link to all your course websites. If you don’t see the course listed here but you are properly registered for the course in ROSI, wait 48 hours. If the course does not appear, go to the Information Commons Help Desk in Robarts Library, 1st floor, for help, or explore the Portal Information and Help at http://www.portalinfo.utoronto.ca/content/informationstudents and review the Frequently Asked Questions.

5. Recording Lectures

Lectures and course materials prepared by the instructor are considered by the University to be an instructor’s intellectual property covered by the Canadian Copyright Act. Students wishing to record a lecture or other course material in any way are required to ask the instructor’s explicit permission, and may not do so unless permission is granted (note: students who have been previously granted permission to record lectures as an accommodation for a disability are, of course, excepted). This includes tape recording, filming, photographing PowerPoint slides, Blackboard materials, etc.

If permission is granted by the instructor (or via Accessibility Services), it is intended for the individual student’s own study purposes and does not include permission to “publish” them in anyway. It is absolutely forbidden for a student to publish an instructor’s notes to a website or sell them in any other form without formal permission.

6. Conduct of Classes and Expectations

Classes will begin at ten minutes after the hour, in accordance with university policy. Students are expected to arrive on time so as not to disrupt the class.