# ACCY 111 Accounting Fundamentals In Society Summary Notes

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# Week 3 - Recording Transactions

# Accounting Cycle

#### What is an accounting cycle?

- Steps and procedure, ending in the preparation of financial statements, are referred to as the accounting cycle
- During each period, steps and procedures are followed within the accounting function to ensure that all transactions are properly recorded
- Basic accounting period for which financial statements are presented is 1 year (e.g 1 July 2021-30 June 2022)

# **Accounting Cycle**



# Transactions (pp 63-65)

#### **External Transactions**

- Involve an outside party
- Exchange of economic resources and/or obligations
- Example include:
  - o Purchase of surfing supplies
  - o Purchase of equipment
  - o Borrowing money from a bank
  - The performance of services for others (e.g medical, legal, cleaning, marketing, public relations)

#### **Internal Transactions**

- Generally triggered by and are concerned with internal functions of a business
- Examples include:

#### **Double Entry Accounting**

# **Double entry accounting**

- Transactions are recorded using the double-entry accounting system
- Debit and credit rules
- Two or more accounts are affected by each transaction
- Each transaction must be analysed to determine:
  - What type of accounts are affected
    - Assets, liabilities, equity, income and expenses
  - By how much each item must be increased or decreased
- Two equal sides, DEBIT = CREDIT
- The sum of debits equals the sum of credits
- The accounting equation must always remain in balance

Assets = Liabilities + Owners Equity

#### Debit and Credit Rule

- Debit and credit are an instructions we use in doubleentry accounting system
  - Debit (DR) = 'on the left-hand side'
  - Credit (Cr) = 'on the right-hand side'
- Whether a debit or a credit is an increase or a decrease to the account balance depends on whether the account is an asset, a liability or an equity account

#### **Accounts: Balance Sheet**



# Cash Example:

- If you receive cash = Debit
- If you spend cash = Credit

#### Bank loan example:

- If you borrow loan = Credit
- If you pay off loan = Debit

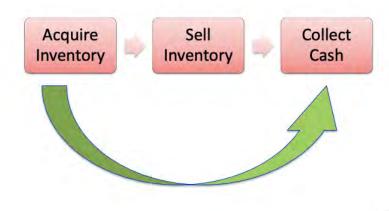
#### **Accounts: Income Statement**

## Accounting for retailing

### **Inventory**

- AASB 102 Inventories
- <u>Inventory</u> means goods or property purchased and held for sale
- Also known as stock or stock in trade
  - Inventory is one of the most active assets in a retail business
  - At the time of purchase, inventory is recorded at cost
  - Reported in the statement of financial position as a current statement
  - Other assets may be sold from time to time but do not constitute inventory

# **Operating cycle - retailer**



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# Accounting for sale of inventory

#### **Recording Sales Transaction:**

- Recorded when inventory is transferred from the business to the customer
- To record a sale an asset account is debited and the sales account is credited.

#### **Accounting for sales**

- The entry to record a \$2 000 Sale of inventory on credit and for cash:

General Journal			
Accounts Receivable/Cash	2 000		
Sales		2 000	
(Sold inventory on credit and for cash)			
	Accounts Receivable/Cash Sales	Accounts Receivable/Cash 2 000 Sales	

## **Cash (Settlement) Discounts**

- The inventory is sold on <u>credit</u>, the terms of payment, called the **credit terms** e.g. '2/10, n/30.
- Provide an incentive for the buyer to make payment before the end of the credit period.

- Converts inventory turnover into a measure of days for inventory to be sold

365 days = days inventory turnover

#### **Financial Stability Ratios**

#### 1. Debt Ratio

- Indicates degree of leverage (percentage of total assets funded through debt)

total liabilities = %
total assets

#### 2. Asset Turnover ratio

- An analysis of entity's ability to use its assets during the period to generate revenue
- Ratio measure the effectiveness with which all assets have been used
- Expressed in TIMES, e.g assets have been turned over an average of X number of times

<u>revenue = times</u> average total assets

#### Profitability ratios

#### 1. Return on assets

- Measures overall profitability with respect to investment in assets

= <u>profit</u> average total assets

#### 2. Profit Margin

- Measures percentage of each dollar of sales that results in profit
  - High Volume firms (e.g. supermarkets) generally experience low profit margins
  - Low volume firms (e.g. white goods) have high profit margins

= <u>profit</u> revenues (sales)

# **Limitations of Financial Statement Analysis**

- 1. Estimates
  - Financial statements contain manny estimates
    - e.g. allowance for doubtful debts
      - Depreciation expense