Accounting 261  
Cost Analysis and Control  
Course Syllabus – April/May 2015

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Classroom: Online

Websites:  
Course Website: http://www.csus.edu/indiv/p/pforsichh/ACCY261courselinks.htm  
Lanen 4e Textbook Website: http://highered.mcgraw-hill.com/sites/0077517334/student_view0/

Required Text:  
- CONNECT online access code (for online homework)  
  - with e-text ($125.00)  
- Lanen, Anderson, Maher, Fundamentals of Cost Accounting, [hard cover]  
  - (Recommended) Hard cover copy of older, used versions (cheaper!)

Course Description:  
Emphasizing the concept of “different costs for different purposes,” this course focuses on cost accounting strategy and the decision making process. After successfully completing this course, students should have knowledge of:

- Cost concepts and behavior  
- Cost-volume-profit (break-even) analysis  
- Relevant costs for decision making  
- Cost estimation  
- Profit planning  
- Variance analysis

Grading:  

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ACCY 261 RECOMMENDED WEEKLY CHECKLIST
1. Monday – Read and study the textbook chapter
2. Tuesday – Watch lecture videos with video handout
3. Wednesday-Friday – Complete the assigned homework online (CONNECT)  
  - 6-hour time limit per attempt; new set of questions each attempt  
  - Unlimited attempts allowed from Monday thru Saturday  
  - Deadline Saturday 11:59pm; 100 points possible per assignment
4. Thursday-Saturday – Watch Exam Prep video with Exam Prep handout
5. Saturday-Sunday – Complete Chapter Exam online (CONNECT)  
  - 3-hour time limit  
  - Only one attempt allowed from Saturday thru Sunday  
  - Deadline Sunday 11:59pm; 100 points possible per exam