

## Course Descriptions Bachelor 2013-2014

Course Title Internal Control and Accounting Information Systems  
 Course Code EBC2057  
 ECTS Credits 6,5  
 Assessment None

Period	Period	Start	End	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
4		3-2-2014	4-4-2014	X/E		X/E		

Level Intermediate  
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 Language of instruction English

Goals Understand the concept of quality of information and the importance of this concept.  
 Understand the role of internal control in producing information of high quality and in promoting the efficiency and effectiveness of an organisation's operations.  
 Learn about the different Organisational processes within organisations, and learn how to design internal controls for each of these processes.  
 Learn about the controls that specifically apply to Information Technology (IT) and integrate these into each of the business processes.

Description The area of internal control and accounting information systems concerns the quality of (financial) information. As a result of recent corporate financial scandals, this has become a significant issue in today's business. Every business needs a control system that monitors the effectiveness and efficiency of operations, reduces the risk of asset loss, and helps to ensure the reliability of financial reporting and compliance with laws and regulations. The course Internal Control & Accounting Information Systems is an introduction into the key concepts and techniques of internal control, such as information quality, the COSO control framework, IT controls and organisational controls. Based on these concepts and techniques, the course addresses the design of effective and efficient internal controls for the purchasing, inventory, production and sales activities of businesses.

Literature Vaassen, E.H.J., Meuwissen, R.H.G., and Schelleman, C.C.M. 2009. Accounting Information Systems and Internal Control. Chichester: John Wiley & Sons.  
 Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). 1994. Internal Control - Integrated Framework. New York, NY, USA.

Prerequisites an advanced level of English  
 No specific knowledge required.

Teaching methods PBL / Presentation / Assignment / Groupwork

Assessment methods Participation / Written Exam

Evaluation in previous academic year For the complete evaluation of this course please click <http://iwio-sbe.maastrichtuniversity.nl/rapporten.asp?referrer=codeUM>

This course belongs to the following programme / specialisation

Bachelor Economics and Business Economics Specialisation Economics and Management of Information	Free Electives
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics Specialisation International Business Economics	Major Accounting
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics Specialisation International Economic Studies	IBE Electives
Bachelor Fiscal Economics	Year 2-3 Compulsory Courses
Bachelor International Business	Business Electives
Bachelor International Business	Major Accounting
SBE Exchange Bachelor	Bachelor Courses
SBE Exchange Master	Bachelor Courses
SBE Non Degree Courses	Bachelor Courses