Foster MBA – Accounting Jump Start
2013 Syllabus

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*Contact information and course materials for Jump Start are located here. I'll switch over to using Canvas, the Foster School's course management system, when fall quarter starts.

Class time:

Wednesday (9/18)	9:00 – 12:00	Shansby Auditorium
Thursday (9/19)	9:00 – 12:00	Shansby Auditorium
Friday (9/20)	9:00 – 12:00	Shansby Auditorium

Objective: The objective of Jump Start is to help those of you with little accounting knowledge gain an understanding of the important role accounting plays in society, and to gain confidence recording economic transactions and creating financial statements.

Readings: In Jump Start I will briefly touch on the topics covered in the first five chapters of your text. Reading the first five chapters before, during, or shortly after Jump Start will help solidify the critical foundation you need to fully understand and appreciate accounting and its role in society. In addition, reading the first five chapters of the text before the fall quarter starts will greatly reduce the feeling of being overwhelmed you are likely to encounter during the first two weeks of the quarter.

In Class: You will learn by doing. Jump Start classes will be interactive and filled with problem-solving exercises. I do not believe in passive learning. Please come ready to actively participate in class and have some fun.

Topics and Assignments

Wednesday (9/18)

Topics: Introduction to Connect
Painting the big picture: Accounting in society
Introduction to the four financial statements
Introduction to the accounts found on each statement
Introduction to recording economic transactions

Thursday (9/19)

Topics: Practice recording economic transactions
Practice creating balance sheets
Practice creating income statements

Friday (9/20)

Topics: Introduction to creating cash flow statements
Review of how everything fits together
Practice exam