



# Omega International College

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## Student Handbook 2011



Handbook is written to guide you throughout your course of studies. Care has been taken to ensure that the information contained in this handbook is accurate at time or print.

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# **1.00 Introduction and General Information**

## **1.10 CEO's Declaration**

Omega International College, formally known as Omega Commercial School, was established and registered with Ministry of Education, Singapore in 2002. We have registered with the Council of Private Education (CPE Registration No. 201001528E) under the Education Act (2009) since 1<sup>st</sup> Sep 2010.

We were established to meet the growing demand for continuing education, particularly in the fields of Accounting and Business. Since its inception, our fundamental policy has been to provide •Top Quality Education at a Fee that is Good Value for Money•

In Omega International College, we strive to provide the students not only with Professional Knowledge in Business and Accounting, but also with a well-rounded knowledge base which prepares the students for the Professional Business World.

Our Courses are designed to equip you with the right skills and expertise to bring out the best in you on your chosen career path. Our high professional knowledge and training standards will challenge you to perform equally well. We will instill in you a desire to become nothing but the Best.

I warmly welcome you to Omega International College and wish you success in your endeavors.

In accordance with CPE,s Guidelines, I declared the following:

- Our Average Teacher-Student Ratio is 1 : 40
- We have 6 Tutorial Classrooms with varying sizes, ranging from Classrooms for accommodation of 10 to 40 Students
- We have 2 Computer Labs that can accommodate 16 to 18 Students each.
- We have 19 Part-time Trainers

## **Our Services Guarantees**

- We accept students if they meet our entry requirements / pre-requisites
- Students are awarded Certificate , Diploma or Advanced Diploma if they passed the prescribed examination
- We shall notify students at least 7 days in advance for any delay in course commencement date. Such course postponement will not exceed 14 days
- We have an appropriate refund policy of the course and other related fees in the event of cancellation, non-completion, termination of course, or breach of the standard student contract.
- The total duration of classroom learning shall adhere to the published time-table.



**RAYMOND SEE**

Chief Executive Officer

## **1.20 Vision, Mission, Objectives & Motto**

### Vision

Leading the way, reaching people and communities through the Power of Learning.

### Mission

To drive forward educational, economic and cultural success by continually raising the aspirations, knowledge and skills of individuals, communities and businesses.

### Objectives

Our primary objective is to prepare students for rewarding jobs in high-demand careers. So our structured programs are designed to:-

- Motivate independent learners to pursue the acquisition of knowledge and self-enrichment
- Promote higher education commensurate with career advancement and personal achievement
- Achieve short and long term academic goals to improve the students confidence level and self-esteem which will ensure their ability to negotiate a competitive salary while making a significant contribution to their employer
- Offer quality education with affordable fee
- Employ qualified Lecturers to continuously implement the use of comprehensive current teaching materials specific to the student's major of study
- Create a lasting desire for higher education by providing a fun and rewarding learning environment

### Motto

• *Learning for Success* •

### **1.30 General Information**

Bugis Centre : 108, Middle Road, #03-01 to #03-02, Bright Chamber,  
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Tel: 63343533 Fax: 63366608

Jurong Centre : 134, Jurong Gateway Road, #03-309 L-M,  
Singapore 600134  
Tel: 65667697 Fax: 65669746

Email : [admin@omega.edu.sg](mailto:admin@omega.edu.sg)

Website : <http://www.omega.edu.sg>

Chief Executive Officer : [ceo@omega.edu.sg](mailto:ceo@omega.edu.sg)

Programme Director : [director@omega.edu.sg](mailto:director@omega.edu.sg)

Student Care Executive : [studentcare@omega.edu.sg](mailto:studentcare@omega.edu.sg)

Complaint & Feedback : [feedback@omega.edu.sg](mailto:feedback@omega.edu.sg)

### **Operating Hours**

Weekdays : 1000 hrs - 2100 hrs  
Saturday : 1000 hrs - 1600 hrs  
Sunday : 0900 hrs - 1700 hrs  
Public Holidays : Closed

### **1.40 Management Council**

Chief Executive Officer : See Soon Keong  
Email: [ceo@omega.edu.sg](mailto:ceo@omega.edu.sg)

Programme Director : Loke Sau Fong  
Email: [director@omega.edu.sg](mailto:director@omega.edu.sg)

### **1.50 Examination Board**

- Ø See Soon Keong, Chairman
- Ø Loke Sau Fong, Member
- Ø Yap Mei Mei, Member
- Ø Lock Chiew May, Member

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- Ø Lock Chiew May, Member

## **2.00 Courses**

### **2.10 Certificate in Computerised Accounting (CCA)**

Awarding Organisation : Omega International College

#### Course Outlines

- Ø UBS Computerised Accounting UBS
- Ø Accounting Foundation
- Ø Costing Foundation

#### Admission Requirement

- Ø Min. Age : 16 years
- Ø Secondary 1 with pass in English

*Candidates who do not meet the admission requirement would be considered on case-by-case basis.*

#### Course Duration

Six Months

#### Eligibility

Passed ALL Modules

## **2.20 Preparatory Course for LCCI Level 3 Diploma**

### **2.21 Preparatory Course for LCCI Level 3 Diploma in Computerised Accounting**

Awarding Organisation : London Chamber of Commerce and Industry  
International Qualifications (LCCI IQ)

#### Course Outlines

##### **Core Modules**

- Ø Accounting
- Ø MYOB Computerised Accounting

##### **Optional Modules**

- Ø Cost Accounting
- Ø Management Accounting
- Ø Business Statistics
- Ø Advanced Business Calculations

#### Admission Requirement

- Ø Min. Age : 16 years
- Ø GCE •O, Level with pass in English OR Certificate in Computerised Accounting

#### Course Duration

- Ø Six / Twelve Months

#### Eligibility

- Ø Passed the Core Modules PLUS at least ONE Optional Module within 24 months

#### Remarks

- Ø The Processing Time of Combined Certificate is approximate 2 months
- Ø Additional Administration Fees by LCCI is applicable

## **2.22 Preparatory Course for LCCI** **Level 3 Group Diploma in Accounting**

Awarding Organisation : London Chamber of Commerce and Industry  
International Qualifications (LCCI IQ)

### Course Outlines

#### **Core Module**

- Ø Accounting

#### **Optional Modules**

- Ø Cost Accounting
- Ø Management Accounting
- Ø Business Statistics
- Ø Advanced Business Calculations

#### **Admission Requirement**

- Ø Min. Age : 16 years
- Ø GCE •O, Level with pass in English OR Certificate in Computerised Accounting

#### **Course Duration**

- Ø Six / Twelve Months

#### **Eligibility**

- Ø Passed the Core Module PLUS at least TWO Optional Module within 3 months

#### **Remarks**

- Ø The Processing Time of Combined Certificate is approximate 2 months
- Ø Additional Administration Fees by LCCI is applicable

## **2.23 Preparatory Course for LCCI** **Level 3 Diploma in Business Studies**

Awarding Organisation : London Chamber of Commerce and Industry  
International Qualifications (LCCI IQ)

### Course Outlines

- Ø MYOB Computerised Accounting
- Ø Accounting
- Ø Cost Accounting
- Ø Management Accounting
- Ø Business Statistics
- Ø Advanced Business Calculations

### Admission Requirement

- Ø Min. Age : 16 years
- Ø GCE •O, Level with pass in English OR Certificate in Computerised Accounting

### Course Duration

- Ø Six Months

### Eligibility

- Ø Passed AT LEAST ANY THREE Modules within 12 months

### Remarks

- Ø The Processing Time of Combined Certificate is approximate 2 months
- Ø Additional Administration Fees by LCCI is applicable

## **2.30 Preparatory Course for Certified Accounting Technician (CAT) Examination**

Awarding Organisation : The Association of Chartered Certified Accountant (ACCA)

### **Course Outlines**

#### **Introductory Level**

Paper 1 Recording Financial Transactions  
Paper 2 Information for Management Control

#### **Intermediate Level**

Paper 3 Maintaining Financial Records  
Paper 4 Accounting for Costs

#### **Advanced Level**

Paper 5 Managing People and Systems  
Paper 6 Drafting Financial Statements  
Paper 7 Planning, Control and Performance Mgt  
Paper 9 Preparing Taxation Computation  
Paper 10 Managing Finances

### **Admission Requirement**

- Ø Min. Age : 16 years
- Ø GCE •N, Level with pass in English OR Certificate in Computerised Accounting

### **Course Duration**

Twelve Months

### **Eligibility**

Passed ALL Modules

## **2.31 Essential Information**

### **2.31.10 Student Membership**

All students intending to sit examination MUST register as a student member under the CAT(S) / ACCA Joint-Scheme. The CAT(S) / ACCA Registration form has to be duly completed and submitted along with the following documents:

- Photocopies of: Educational Certificates and Transcripts (if any)  
NRIC (both sides) or Passport
- One passport-sized photograph
- Appropriate Payments

Once submitted, your student membership will require approximately 2 to 3 months to be processed in UK. Please note that your first annual subscription fee is due in January of the following year.

Closing Dates for Membership Registration, to be eligible for examinations are

**June Exams            15 December of the previous year**

**December Exams    31 July of the same year**

Further enquiry on Student Membership Registration, please contact:-

ACCA-UK                :     [students@accaglobal.com](mailto:students@accaglobal.com)  
ICPAS-Singapore     :     [students@icpas.org.sg](mailto:students@icpas.org.sg)

## **2.31.20 Fees**

The annual subscription fee is due and payable on 1 January each year you wish to remain an active student. Remember you can pay your fees online at *myACCA*.

Students who fail to pay fees when due, will have their names removed from the ACCA register. Students wishing to re-register are now required to submit any amounts unpaid at the time of their removal in addition to the re-registration fee. Confirmation of your unpaid fees can be obtained from your national ACCA office or ACCA Connect.

Additional fees may apply to register with the relevant Joint Examination Scheme partner - details of which can be found in the related documents section.

The following fees and subscriptions relevant to 2011:

<b>Certified Accountant Technician fees</b>	
Subscription for existing CAT students	<i>f62</i>
<b>Certified Accountant Technician exam/exemption fees until June 2011</b>	
Introductory Level	<i>f40</i>
Intermediate Level	<i>f40</i>
Advanced Level	<i>f53</i>
<b>CAT Direct Entry Fee</b>	<i>f157</i>
<b>Foundations in Accountancy</b>	
Initial Registration	<i>f72</i>
Subscription	<i>f72</i>
<b>Foundations in Accountancy exam/exemption fees from December 2011</b>	
FA1 and MA1 (Introductory Certificate)	<i>f40</i>
FA2 and MA2 (Intermediate Certificate)	<i>f40</i>
FAB, FMA and FFA (Diploma)	<i>f57</i>
FAU, FTX and FFM (Options papers)	<i>f57</i>

\*plus unpaid fee(s)

**Remember!** Don't forget to pay your fees on time. Dates by which fees and subscriptions must be paid and arrangements for payment are included in your *Student Handbook*.

## 2.31.30 Important Dates

Refer to ACCA website at <http://www.accaglobal.com/students/cat/info/dates> for details:

### WHAT ARE THE IMPORTANT DATES FOR ME TO REMEMBER THROUGHOUT THE YEAR?

The table below outlines the important dates for you to remember throughout the year.

We recommend you note these in your diary.

<b>JANUARY</b> 1 Your annual subscription fee is now due. Your annual return as part of the practical experience requirements is now due. 15 Requests should be submitted for special circumstances to be taken into consideration for marking scripts from the December exam session. 31 Applications for exemptions must be received by this date for June exams.	<b>JULY</b> 15 Requests should be submitted for special circumstances to be taken into consideration for marking scripts from the June exam session. 31 Applications for exemptions must be received by this date for December exams.
<b>FEBRUARY</b> Results will normally be sent to you around the third week of the month if you sat the exams in December and can also be viewed at myACCA. An Examination Entry Form and status report will be sent to you if you are eligible to sit exams in June.	<b>AUGUST</b> 15 If you have resigned or have been removed from the register, your application for re-registration should be submitted by this date if you wish to sit exams in December. Results will normally be sent to you around the third week of the month if you sat the exams in June and can also be viewed at myACCA. An Examination Entry Form and status report will be sent to you if you are eligible to sit exams in December.
<b>MARCH</b> Requests for an administrative review should be received within 15 working days from the release of results. 15 Requests for special exam centres must be received by this date for the June exam session (refer to the 'Exams' section to find out about special exam centres). 30 Requests for special circumstances/assistance during June exams must be received by this date.	<b>SEPTEMBER</b> Requests for an administrative review should be received within 15 working days from the release of results. 15 Requests for special exam centres must be received by this date for the December exam session (refer to the 'Exams' section to find out about special exam centres). 30 Requests for special circumstances/assistance during December exams must be received by this date.
<b>APRIL</b> Appeals against the results of an administrative review should be received by the first week of April. 15 Your Examination Entry Form for the June exams must be received by ACCA's exams department. Applications to change variant papers must be received by this date or changed on myACCA. Examination Entry Acknowledgements will start to be posted.	<b>OCTOBER</b> Appeals against the results of an administrative review should be received by the first week of October. 15 Your Examination Entry Form for the December exams must be received by ACCA's exams department. Applications to change variant papers must be received by this date or changed on myACCA.
<b>MAY</b> Examination Attendance Dockets will start to be posted for the June exams.	<b>NOVEMBER</b> Examination Attendance Dockets will start to be posted for the December exams. Annual subscription invoices posted.
<b>JUNE</b> Exams will normally be held over an eight-day period in the first and second week.	<b>DECEMBER</b> Exams will normally be held over an eight-day period in the first and second week. 31 If you have resigned or have been removed from the register, your application for re-registration should be submitted by this date if you wish to sit exams in June the following year.

### **2.31.40 CBE closing dates**

Computer-based exams (CBEs) are available for the Introductory and Intermediate Levels of the CAT exams. You must be registered as a CAT student and be in receipt of your student ID card before you can enter for CBEs.

#### **Introductory Level**

- Paper 1 - Recording Financial Transactions (UK)
- Paper 1 - Recording Financial Transactions (International)
- Paper 2 - Information for Management Control

#### **Intermediate Level**

- Paper 3 - Maintaining Financial Records (UK)
- Paper 3 - Maintaining Financial Records (International)
- Paper 4 - Accounting for Costs

#### **CAT CBE extended registration closing date**

An extended registration closing period will be available if you wish to attempt CBEs for the Certified Accounting Technician syllabus outside the normal published registration closing dates.

These dates are:

**1 January - 28 February** for the June exam session; and  
**16 - 31 August** for the December session.

The rules and regulations of the CAT CBE extended registration deadline are:

- It is only available for you to sit CBEs between:
  - **1 January and 31 March**, if you also wish to sit paper-based exams at the forthcoming June exam session; and
  - **16 August and 30 September**, if you also wish to sit paper based exams at the forthcoming December exam session.
- ACCA will only accept web registrations for this process.
- Declarations, documents and fees must be submitted by the licensed CBE centre and not by individual students.
- Exam entries cannot be changed once submitted to ACCA.

## **Procedures**

The following steps must be taken:

- You should complete an online registration and take note of your reference number.
- The centre submits a form to ACCA, to include the reference numbers by:
  - 28 February for the June exam session; or
  - 31 August for the December exam session.
- A pre registration is created for you to enable you to sit the CAT CBEs.
- You sit your CAT CBEs.
- The centre will submit, on your behalf, the web declaration forms, photos and supporting documentation for registration, along with exam entries and fees by the extended deadlines of:
  - 31 March for the June exam session; and
  - 30 September for the December exam session.
- ACCA will complete the registration and process the exam entries. You will then have your actual registration numbers confirmed.

Please note that this service is only applicable to CAT CBE students who wish to sit paper-based exams at the immediate exam session after attempting their CBE exams. All other students, i.e. those not requiring to be registered for paper based exams at the next session, should submit their registrations through the usual process, at least six weeks prior to their CBE session.

### **2.31.50 Update your contact details**

Increasingly, ACCA will be communicating with you and sending you important information by e-mail so it is really important that you supply us with an e-mail address and ensure you keep this and your other personal details up to date - you are actually under obligation to do so.

You can update your contact details online through [myACCA](#). You must first register on the website by clicking on „Login to myACCA• and entering your student registration number and passcode (sent to you with your annual subscription notification or welcome pack). You can also let us know your new details by writing to [ACCA Connect](#), or you can e-mail [students@accaglobal.com](mailto:students@accaglobal.com) with your change of contact details. Please allow up to four weeks for a change of address to be implemented and ensure that you can access your mail in the meantime.

You may also use the website to check that we hold the correct and most up-to-date record of your contact details on our database.

If you change your name through deed poll, marriage or decree nisi, you will need to inform [ACCA Connect](#) immediately in writing and send copies of the relevant certificates and return your original student registration (ID) card. [ACCA Connect](#) will then issue you with a new student registration (ID) card.

If you are part of a Joint Examination Scheme (JES), you must remember to notify your JES of your change of contact details.

### **2.31.60 Transferring from CAT to ACCA**

The ACCA Qualification is your passport to reaching the highest levels in any organisation ... and as a CAT graduate you have the knowledge, skills and practical experience to get off to a flying start.

You will be automatically transferred to the ACCA Qualification register when you have successfully completed your CAT exams, unless you chose not to select this option when you originally registered as a CAT student. You will be awarded exemption from the Knowledge module of the Fundamentals Level (F1, F2 and F3) and will not be charged an additional registration fee or exemption fees.

You can still opt in for automatic transfer to the ACCA Qualification providing that you put your request in writing to *ACCA Connect* before sitting your final CAT exams. If you did not opt for an automatic transfer to the ACCA Qualification and wish to continue with the ACCA Qualification exams, you will need to submit an ACCA Qualification registration form and pay the relevant registration fee.

Once transferred to the ACCA Qualification register, you will be subject to the Bye Laws, rules and regulations applicable to ACCA Qualification students, details of which will be sent to you on transfer.

Passing the remaining ACCA Qualification exams and gaining three years relevant experience will lead to ACCA membership. The experience you have already demonstrated to become a Certified Accounting Technician will count towards the work experience you need for ACCA membership.

## **2.40 Preparatory Course for Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) Examination**

Awarding Organisation : The Association of Chartered Certified Accountant (ACCA)

### Course Outlines

#### **Fundamental Level**

##### **Knowledge Module**

- Ø F1 Accountant in Business
- Ø F2 Management Accounting
- Ø F3 Financial Accounting

##### **Skill Module**

- Ø F4 Corporate and Business Law
- Ø F5 Performance Management
- Ø F6 Taxation
- Ø F7 Financial Reporting
- Ø F8 Audit and Assurance
- Ø F9 Financial Management

#### **Professional Level**

##### **Essential Module (All 3 Modules)**

- Ø P1 Professional Accountant
- Ø P2 Corporate Reporting
- Ø P3 Business Analysis

##### **Option Module (Choose ANY 2 Modules ONLY)**

- Ø P4 Advanced Financial Management
- Ø P5 Advanced Performance Management
- Ø P6 Advanced Taxation
- Ø P7 Advanced Audit and Assurance

### Admission Requirement

- Ø Min. Age : 18 years
- Ø GCE • A, Level with pass in English OR Certified Accounting Technician (CAT)

### Course Duration

Twenty-Four Months

### Eligibility

Passed 12 Essential Modules and 2 Optional Modules

## **2.41 Essential Information**

### **2.41.10 Student Membership**

All students intending to sit examination MUST register as a student member under the ACCA Joint-Scheme. The ACCA Registration form has to be duly completed and submitted along with the following documents:

- Photocopies of: Educational Certificates and Transcripts (if any)  
NRIC (both sides) or Passport
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The following fees and subscriptions relevant to 2011:

#### **ACCA Qualification student & MSER fees**

Initial Registration	f72
Subscription	f72
Duplicate card	f11
Re-registration fee	f72, in addition to any amounts unpaid at the time of resignation/removal.
Exam/Exemption June 2011	
Knowledge	f57
Skills	f72
Professional	f84

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### **2.41.30 Exam progression rules**

You can attempt up to a maximum of four papers per examination cycle. There are two examination cycles per year:

- 1 February ..31 July
- 1 August ..30 January.

Papers must be taken in line with the following module order, however you can attempt the papers within each module in any order:

- Knowledge (F1-F3) .. available by computer-based exam (CBE) or paper-based format
- Skills (F4-F9) .. available by paper-based format
- Essentials (P1-P3) .. available by paper-based format
- Options (P4-P7) .. available by paper-based format

If your status allows you to enter for papers across modules, please remember that you must complete the papers in order and enter for outstanding papers in your current module if you wish to enter to sit papers in the next module.

### **2.41.40 CBE closing dates**

You must be a registered ACCA student before sitting the following papers by CBE.

- F1 Accountant in Business
- F2 Management Accounting
- F3 Financial Accounting (United Kingdom)
- F3 Financial Accounting (International)

### **Exam Cycles**

ACCA offers two six monthly cycles for taking exams:

June cycle: **1 February to 31 July** (including June paper-based exam session)

December cycle: **1 August to 31 January** (including December paper-based exam session)

In each of the six-monthly cycles, you will be able to sit a maximum of four exams by paper based or CBE method.

These dual sessions are in line with the exemption closing dates:

### **Exemption deadlines**

31 January - for June exams

31 July - for December exams.

## **Registration deadlines**

You only need to complete the exam entry form if you intend to sit paper-based exams, or paper-based exams and CBEs. If you only wish to sit CBEs you do not need to complete the exam entry form and should contact your licensed CBE centre for details\*.

For more information on registration and exam entry, please visit the [General FAQs](#) section.

(\* - See Sections 'How does CBE work?' and 'Where can I sit CBEs?').

## **Mature student entry route (MSER) exams**

The following exams are available via CBE:

- MMA Management Accounting (equivalent to F2)
- MFA Financial Accounting (United Kingdom) (equivalent to F3)
- MFA Financial Accounting (International) (equivalent to F3)

The Foundations in Accountancy Diploma in Accounting and Business replaces the mature student entry route with effect from December 2011. Students currently following MSER should refer to the [transitional arrangements for MSER students](#) for more details.

## **2.41.50 Time limits**

You have 10 years from the date you registered to complete the ACCA exams.

If you registered before 31 December 2006 and were transferred to the existing syllabus in August 2007, you will have been given a further ten years to complete the ACCA exams, ie you will have until June 2017 to complete.

However, this does not apply to the completion of the BSc Honours Degree in Applied Accounting awarded by Oxford Brookes University (OBU). You will need to complete the degree within ten years of your initial registration date with ACCA.

## **MSER students**

If you registered under MSER (Mature Student Entry Route) you will have four consecutive exam sessions ie two years, to pass papers MMA and MFA (the equivalent of Papers F2 and F3). If you are successful during this time, you will be transferred over to the main student register, given exemption from Papers F2 and F3 and can then continue with the other exams in the ACCA syllabus, including sitting Paper F1, and can sit a maximum of four papers in any six-month exam cycle.

The Foundations in Accountancy Diploma in Accounting and Business replaces the mature student entry route with effect from December 2011. Students currently following MSER should refer to the [transitional arrangements for MSER students](#) for more details.

### **2.41.60 Update your contact details**

Increasingly, ACCA will be communicating with you and sending you important information by e-mail so it is really important that you supply us with an e-mail address and ensure you keep this and your other personal details up to date - you are actually under obligation to do so.

You can update your contact details online through myACCA. You must first register on the website by clicking on 'Login to *myACCA*' and entering your student registration number and password. You can also let us know your new details by writing to ACCA Connect, or you can e-mail students@accaglobal.com with your change of contact details. Please allow up to four weeks for a change of address to be implemented and ensure that you can access your mail in the meantime.

You may also use the website to check that we hold the correct and most up-to-date record of your contact details on our database.

If you change your name through deed poll, marriage or decree nisi, you will need to inform *ACCA Connect* immediately in writing and send copies of the relevant certificates.

If you are part of a Joint Examination Scheme (JES), you must remember to notify your JES of your change of contact details.

## **2.40 Advanced Diploma in Accounting (ADA)**

Awarding Organisation : Omega International College

### Course Outlines

- Ø Financial Accounting
- Ø Financial Management
- Ø Business Taxation
- Ø Business Finance
- Ø Business Law
- Ø Business Ethics
- Ø Organisational Behaviour
- Ø Computerised Accounting 1
- Ø Computerised Accounting 2

### Admission Requirement

- Ø Min. Age : 18 years
- Ø GCE •O, Level with pass in English OR Certificate in Computerised Accounting

### Course Duration

Eighteen Months

### Eligibility

Passed ALL Modules

## **2.50 Preparatory Course for LCCI Level 3 Award for Professional Ethics in Accounting and Finance**

Awarding Organisation : London Chamber of Commerce and Industry  
International Qualifications (LCCI IQ)

### Course Outline

- Ø Professional Ethics in Accounting and Finance

### Admission Requirement

- Ø Min. Age : 16 years
- Ø GCE •N, Level with pass in English OR Certificate in Computerised Accounting

### Course Duration

- Ø Two Months (24 Hours)

## **3.00 Student Support Services**

### **3.10 Confidentiality of Student's Personal Records**

OMEGA is committed to maintaining the confidentiality of the Student's personal information and undertakes not to divulge any of the Student's personal information to any third party\* without the prior consent of the Student.

\* Exceptions Apply:

- During Emergency whereby the safety and life of the student maybe compromised
- As required by Courts or Law agencies to do so

### **3.20 Student Administration**

#### **1. Omega Student Card**

Upon enrolment, all students will be issued a student card, which will be used as a form of identification throughout their stay in Omega.

#### **2. Course Materials**

Course notes and start-of-class kits are issued on the first day of class in each semester. Only students who have paid up their course fees are issued the course notes and class kits. For those who did not collect their course notes on the first day, they may do so from the respective faculty.

#### **3. Request for Official Letters & Documents**

Requests for official letters and documents such as verification of student status, provisional transcripts and report cards from the school must be submitted at least 3 days in advance. Students are required to complete the Student Request Form and submit it to the Front Office for processing.

#### **4. Student Counseling Service**

The Student Counseling Service is here to help with any personal, emotional or study-related difficulties that are affecting your studies in Omega. Trained Omega staffs are on-hand to counsel and advice students in all matters related to academic matters, administration and pastoral care. They will offer you the time and space to talk in complete confidence about what is troubling you. Counseling is free.

#### **5. Promotional Offers**

Students will be notified of any promotional offers via the website, marketing brochures, notices put up on the notice board. The information will state clearly the period for which the promotion is valid. The management reserves the final right to revoke, amend or change its offers at any time without any notification required.

#### **6. News Update**

For all important news from the school, memos will be put up on the school's notice as well as published via the website at [www.omega.edu.sg](http://www.omega.edu.sg). Students must take note of all memos on the notice board/website and act accordingly where applicable.

## **7. Update of Students' Particulars**

All students must provide their latest contact details (eg. telephone number, mobile phone number and residential address) to the School upon enrolment.

Students are to use Student Request Form, obtainable from the Front Office for the updating of students' records. It is important for all students to provide the school with their updated contact information.

## **8. Confidentiality of Students' Particulars and Data**

The Registrar's Office is committed to the security and confidentiality of student data. Students' particulars are available solely for internal use and for completing regulatory submission requirements.

## **9. Fee Payment**

In Compliance with the Rules of Council of Private Education (CPE), Omega is a Non-EduTrust Certified PEI and therefore we shall collect the Course Fees in Monthly Installment.

Payments of monthly installment MUST made through Giro, otherwise \$10.00 monthly administration fees will be imposed.

Students should insist that official receipts are issued by the school upon payment of fees. Please note that all official receipts must be kept for verification of payment status when required.

All fees are subject to changes.

## **10. Registration**

A student must arrive no later than 3 days before the start of class and to report to the school for formal enrolment.

Students applying for deferment must fill in a Student Request Form at the Front Office. The Student Care Executive will help you with any study-related difficulties and advise you appropriately.

## **11. Course Induction (Student Administration)**

When the student has been accepted by the School, he/she will receive the Standard Student Contract and Student Handbook, which contains details on the course, such as the commencement date, the duration, the name of the college, institute or university awarding the qualification, etc.

In the event where changes are made to matters related to the course, notices will be put up on the notice board and memos will be given to the students to inform them of the changes before implementation.

## **12. Attendance**

Students must achieve a monthly minimum attendance of 75%.

**13. Transfer from one course to another within Omega**

- Request for transfer from one course to another within Omega will only be considered if application is submitted before course commencement.
- For students who wish to transfer from one course to another within Omega, they shall be deemed to have withdrawn from the original course and the drop-out policy shall apply. A fresh application has to be made for the new course and the procedure for new application shall apply.
- Please approach the Student Care Executive for more information.

**14. Refund**

All Registration Fees paid to Omega are non-refundable. 100% refunds of all other fees paid are refundable within fourteen (14) days under any one of the following conditions:

- Omega fails, for any reasons, to start the course on the commencement date;
- Omega fails, for any reasons, to complete the course by the completion date except those that are caused by the students themselves, such as, deferment, re-sit, re-unit, etc;
- Omega terminates the course for any reason prior to the completion of the course;
- Omega is in material breach of its obligations under this Agreement.

If students withdraw before the start of class and for any reason other than those set out above (for cause) the following refund percentages will apply:

<b>Refund Percentage</b>	<b>Withdrawal is received</b>
100%	more than thirty (30) days before the commencement date
75%	not more than thirty (30) days before the commencement date
25%	not more than five (5) days after the commencement date
0%	more than five (5) days after the commencement date

**15. Medical Certificates**

When a student is absent from class due to medical reasons, he/she is required to submit the original copy the Medical Certificate and complete the Leave Application form, at the Front Office.

Only medical certificates issued by registered clinic, polyclinics, or hospitals will be accepted by the school.

### **16. Taking Home Leave**

Students are not allowed to take home leave during an on-going semester. However, official home leave may be granted on compassionate grounds.

Students must obtain approval from the Head of School before going on home leave. Students must apply for official home leave before the issue of air tickets. Students who failed to inform and obtain the approval of the Head of School will be construed as absent without official leave. They will be treated as voluntary dropouts if they are absent for more than 3 consecutive days and will be required to withdraw from the course (Refer to Section under Discipline).

The application for home leave procedure is as follows:

- Complete the Leave Application Form at the Front Office.
- You will be given an appointment with your respective Head of School within the next 48 hours, who will interview you on your reasons for the application.
- If your home leave is approved, you are required to submit a copy of your air-ticket to the Student Care Executive

### **17. Updating of Student Handbook**

Information contained in this handbook could be reviewed from time to time and the contents could be amended. It is important for the student to approach the Front Office for the latest version of the Handbook.

### **18. Re-enrolment**

Students who have completed their current year of study successfully would be automatically re-enrolled into the next level. The re-enrolment documents would be prepared and given to students at least six weeks before the current course completion for their reference. Students would need to confirm their enrolment by completing the respective documents and making the fee payment at least one month before the next course commence. Students must insist that official receipts are issued by the school upon payment of fees and these official receipts must be kept for verification of payment status.

## **3.50 Payment Methods & Channels**

- Cash
- Cheque
- Nets
- Giro

ONLY Singapore Dollars will be accepted

## **4.00 Policies and Regulations**

### **4.10 General Course Policies**

1. Course fees must be paid upon enrolment by monthly installments
2. The monthly installment must pay by GIRO
3. For unsuccessful deduction due to insufficient fund, an admin fee of \$10.70 will be levied
4. Late payment charges of \$21.40 per month will be levied if the Monthly Installment does not receive by 5<sup>th</sup> of Every Month

### **4.20 WDA Funding (Skills Connect)**

Omega is an approved LCCI and ACCA-CAT course provider under the WDA Funding (Skills Connect)

#### **General Eligibility Criteria to Apply for SDF Grant**

- 1) Singaporean / Singapore Permanent Resident , and
- 2) Fully Sponsored by the Company

For more information on the SDF scheme, please visit the website at [www.sdf.gov.sg](http://www.sdf.gov.sg) or call our Senior Officer, Ms. Joyce Yap during office hours.

### **4.30 Free Retake Scheme**

1. ONLY Local Students who signed for Course Package of Omega are qualified under this scheme
2. This scheme is ONLY applicable to Accounting and Costing Foundation and LCCI Diploma Program (except ALL Computerized Accounting Subjects)
3. Minimum 90% Attendance is required for Total Lessons of each Subject.
4. Students MUST have undertaken the same unit previously but have failed the External Examination.
5. Students MUST sit for the Internal Examination.
6. Re-attend the lesson for Same Lecturer ONLY
7. Subject to the Seats availability
8. Mandatory to purchase a Study Notes
9. The Validity of this Scheme is 1 Year from the date of first enrolled

## **4.40 School Regulations**

These regulations refer to your duties and obligations as a member of the Omega community and are not directly related to your program of study.

### **1. General Conduct**

All students must accept individual and collective responsibility for maintaining a healthy working and learning environment while observing proper conduct at all times within the premises of Omega.

### **2. Appropriate Conduct**

All students must observe proper conduct and refrain from disruptive behavior at all times. The following are conduct to be expected for maintaining good behavior.

- Students must not be rude or behave aggressively towards lecturers and staff.
- Students must not instigate other students to cause disruption to the smooth running of the school.
- Students must switch off their mobile phones and pagers during lessons.
- Students must not leave the class discriminately during lessons to answer or make phone calls.
- Students must adhere to the lesson schedules and be punctual for their classes
- Students must not use vulgarities in the school
- Students must not vandalize the school properties or cause damage to school equipment.
- Students must not litter in the school
- Students must not download illegal software or visit pornographic websites.

### **3. Appropriate Dress Code**

Students must be properly attired when they attend courses in the school

### **4. Disciplinary Actions for breach of regulations**

Students are liable to be disciplined for any serious misconduct and/or breach of the school's rules and regulations.

Students who persistently violate the school's rules and regulations shall be issued a written warning. Serious disciplinary action, including dismissal, will be instituted against students who continue to violate the school's rules after receiving a written warning.

### **5. Consumption of Food**

Consumption of food is NOT permitted within the school premise.

### **6. Smoking**

Smoking is not allowed in the school's premise.

### **7. The School's Decision**

The school's decision in all matters pertaining to the rules and regulations, and terms and conditions shall be final. These regulations refer to your responsibilities as a student. It is important that you read this section carefully. If you find yourself in difficulties related to your studies, please consult the Front Office. We are here to help you.

## **4.50 Academic Regulations**

### **1. Introduction**

It is the responsibility of students to acquaint themselves with the academic regulations. In addition to the school academic regulations, each student is governed by the regulations of the course for which he/she has registered, which determine matters related to assessment and progression through the course and award. Students receive these regulations at the commencement of their respective course during the course induction programs.

### **2. Admission into Omega**

Each application received is considered on its own merits, taking into account academic qualifications and working experience. All applicants for admission to a Certificate Course offered by Omega must be at least 16 years of age at the time of application. Any false statement or inaccuracies made in a student's application for entry to Omega may result in the rejection of their application.

### **3. Course Induction (Academic)**

Introduction for each new cohort is provided to enable students to understand the course requirements and academic expectations. During the induction, the course schedule, course outline and lesson plans will be explained to the students.

### **4. Class Attendance**

Full Attendance is expected of students. A minimum attendance of 90% for full-time students and 75% for part-time students is needed in order to participate in the school examination. Students are subject to serious disciplinary actions including dismissal for not achieving the minimum attendance requirements.

### **5. School Terms and Breaks**

Omega observes the Singapore national holidays

Apart from these national holidays, students will be given the following study breaks:

- A one-week break after each semester's examination for all students
- A two-week break for the Lunar New Year

Students are reminded that absence without official approval from the school for 3 consecutive days shall be treated as voluntary drop-out by the students and will have his/her student pass cancelled. Under these circumstances, all fees paid shall be forfeited.

### **6. Replacement for Classes Missed**

If circumstances were to prevent you from attending the class that you have enrolled for, you may attend another class by the same lecturer, where possible **OR** by different Lecturer upon getting approval from the Student Care Executive.

Nevertheless, the replacement for classes missed must NOT exceeded 3 lessons without written consent from the Academic Board. Otherwise, 50% of Course Fees are chargeable.

## **7. Deferment of Studies**

Application for deferment will be considered if it is submitted 2 weeks before the commencement of the respective course.

Application for deferment will be only allowed under the following conditions:

- medical reasons;
- overseas employment postings;
- army enlistment.

Documentary proof must be submitted in all cases.

Kindly note that a student is required to complete his/her course within a maximum duration of twice the full duration of the current course. Students applying for deferment must fill in a Student Request Form at the Front Office. The Student Care Executive will help you with any study-related difficulties and advise you appropriately.

### **1. Examination Schedule**

Examinations are held twice a year on every June and December. Detailed examination schedule from respective courses will be released two months before the examination.

Students should look at the notice board for the examination schedule and details.

Students are expected to be current in their payment of fees before being allowed to sit for the examinations.

### **2. Examination Guidelines**

Students are only allowed into the examination room 15 minutes before the commencement of the examination.

Students are not allowed to bring into the examination room any unauthorized books, written or printed documents, pictures or drawings, notes or papers.

Students must switch off their mobile phones and pagers while in the examination room.

Students are only allowed to bring the following into the examination room;

- Pens, pencils (without pencil cases)
- Erasers/correcting liquid
- Non-programmable calculators (without covers)

### **3. Absence from Examination**

Students will be considered to be uninterested in taking their courses if they choose to be absent from examination without valid reasons. Students who are absent for both the main examination and the subsequent mandatory re-sit examination are deemed to have opted out of the course.

The school reserves the rights to terminate their studies and cancel their student pass accordingly. (Refer to section on dismissal)

Only students who are absent with legitimate reasons will be permitted to attend the re-sit examination as their main examination. In this instance, it will be considered as their final examination with no further supplementary examination provided.

#### **4. Publication of Examination Results**

The school will release the results within three months from the end of the examination period. Information on „Results Release• will not be given over the telephone.

#### **5. Issuance of Transcripts/Certificates**

Students must pass ALL required subjects before they are awarded their certificates and their academic transcripts from the Respective Examination Board.

#### **8. Completion Certificate**

Candidates who require the Completion Certificate have to submit the Student Request Form at the end of the Course subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. Minimum 90% Attendance
2. MUST Complete the Specified No. of Papers
  - Certificate in Computerised Accounting: All 3 Modules
  - LCCI Diploma Course: At least 3 Level 3 Modules
  - Preparatory Course for Certified Accounting Technician (CAT) Examination: All Modules
  - Advanced Diploma in Accounting : All Modules
  - Preparatory Course for Certified Accounting Technician (CAT) Examination: All Modules
3. MUST sit for Internal Exam for the respective Paper
4. Students will only be issued the above items provided all outstanding dues and fees are paid.
5. The Processing Time on printing Completion Certificate is approximately 1 month from the preceding monthly cut-off date (every 15<sup>th</sup> of the Month)

## **4.60 Feedback and Grievance Procedures**

The school welcomes feedback from our students as such inputs will help us to improve the learning environment of the school. This section tells you what the School will do on receiving feedback and suggestions from our students.

We treat any student grievance as important feedback to us. We have staff assigned to manage student welfare including handling grievances and complaints and have a system and procedures to tackle these issues.

- | For any complaint or grievance - whether it is verbally lodged; or by letter; fax or email or after regular monitoring, we will document the nature of grievance, complaint and given an interim acknowledgement that the matter is being investigated. The Student Care Executive will acknowledge the complaint within 1 day.
- | The Student Care Executive will be required to conduct the necessary investigation to establish the circumstance and facts of the case and forward his/her recommendation to the School Director. The latter will verify and decide whether there are basis to accept or dismiss the complaint/grievance.
- | School Director will then offer a solution to the student not later than (7) days. If the students accepts the solution, no further action will be pursued expect record and file the proceedings for completed action.
- | If the student declined the solution offered by School Director, the complaint will be referred to a higher- level the CEO who will review the case and offer a second solution. All these proceedings would be completed within 14 days and complainant is kept informed of the status.
- | If the student still refuses to accept the latest solution and before the maximum of 21 days (from date of his complaint), we will suggest that the matter be referred for third party mediation, i.e. Case Mediation Centre or Council of Private Education for a resolution as an alternative to legal action/ proceedings.

**NOTE:** Proceedings from the beginning of a complaint/grievance are recorded in our Complaint Log that provides information on nature of complaint/ grievance and time taken to resolve it.

### **4.70 Students• Undertaking**

By signing below, I confirm that the School's representative has gone through the contents of this Handbook.

- I (particulars as stated below) have read and fully understood the content, terms and conditions as stated in this Handbook.
- I shall undertake to fully comply with the requirements and expectations as laid-out herewith.
- I shall take full responsibility for the consequences, should I fail to adhere to the requirements as stated.
- I also acknowledged that I have received a copy of the Students Handbook.

<b>Students Name</b>	
<b>ID / Fin / Passport No.</b>	
<b>Date of Birth</b>	
<b>Student ID</b>	
<b>Signature of Student &amp; Date</b>	
<b>Name of Briefing Officer &amp; Date</b>	