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#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

# **DELAWARE STATE UNIVERSITY, Dover, DE**

## Lecturer II Aug 2018 - present

- · Prepare and deliver lectures to undergraduate or graduate students on topics such as financial accounting, principles of marketing, and operations management.
- · Initiate, facilitate, and moderate classroom discussions.
- · Prepare course materials such as syllabi, homework assignments, and handouts.
- · Keep abreast of developments in the field by reading current literature, talking with colleagues, and participating in professional organizations and conferences.
- · Compile, administer, and grade examinations, or assign this work to others.
- · Evaluate and grade students' class work, assignments, and papers.
- · Maintain student attendance records, grades, and other required records.
- · Plan, evaluate, and revise curricula, course content, and course materials and methods of instruction.
- · Maintain regularly scheduled office hours to advise and assist students.
- · Select and obtain materials and supplies such as textbooks.
- · Collaborate with colleagues to address teaching and research issues.
- · Collaborate with members of the business community to improve programs, to develop new programs, and to provide student access to learning opportunities such as internships.
- · Advisor for student registrations

Courses taught/will teach: Cost Accounting, Accounting I, Taxation, Accounting I and II Lab

#### Adjunct Professor, Accounting, Aug 2017 – Aug 2018

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Courses taught: Cost Accounting, Taxation, Accounting I and II Lab

## Visiting Professor, Accounting, Aug 2013 – Aug 2017

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**Courses taught**: Accounting I and II, Intermediate Accounting I, Cost Accounting, Taxation, Special Topics (Ethics and Forensic Accounting), University Seminar, Accounting Lab I and II.

## Professor on Loan from IRS, Aug 1990 – May 1992

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- · Compile, administer, and grade examinations, or assign this work to others.
- · Maintain student attendance records, grades, and other required records.
- · Plan, evaluate, and revise curricula, course content, and course materials and methods of instruction.
- · Maintain regularly scheduled office hours to advise and assist students.
- · Advise students on academic and vocational curricula and career issues.

#### Adjunct Professor, Sep 1992 – May 1994

- · Evaluate and grade students' class work, assignments, and papers.
- · Prepare and deliver lectures to undergraduate or graduate students on topics such as financial accounting, principles of marketing, and operations management.
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- · Prepare course materials such as syllabi, homework assignments, and handouts.

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- · Compile, administer, and grade examinations, or assign this work to others.
- · Maintain student attendance records, grades, and other required records.
- · Plan, evaluate, and revise curricula, course content, and course materials and methods of instruction.
- · Responsible for teaching the Taxation class one semester each academic school year.

## Adjunct professor, Jan 2009 - May 2011

- · Evaluate and grade students' class work, assignments, and papers.
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## INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, Dover, DE

## Internal Revenue Agent, Excise Tax Specialist, Jan 1978 - May 2012

- · Collect taxes from individuals or businesses according to prescribed laws and regulations.
- · Maintain knowledge of tax code changes, and of accounting procedures and theory to properly evaluate financial information.
- · Maintain records for each case, including contacts, telephone numbers, and actions taken.
- · Contact taxpayers by mail or telephone to address discrepancies and to request supporting documentation.
- · Check tax forms to verify that names and taxpayer identification numbers are correct, that computations have been performed correctly, or that amounts match those on supporting documentation.
- · Answer questions from taxpayers and assist them in completing tax forms.
- · Notify taxpayers of any overpayment or underpayment, and either issue a refund or request further payment.
- · Confer with taxpayers or their representatives to discuss the issues, laws, and regulations involved in returns, and to resolve problems with returns.
- · Conduct independent field audits and investigations of income tax returns to verify information or to amend tax liabilities.
- · Review selected tax returns to determine the nature and extent of audits to be performed on them.
- · Recommend criminal prosecutions or civil penalties.
- · Examine accounting systems and records to determine whether accounting methods used were appropriate and in compliance with statutory provisions.
- · Review filed tax returns to determine whether claimed tax credits and deductions are allowed by law.

- · Secure a taxpayer's agreement to discharge a tax assessment, or submit contested determinations to other administrative or judicial conferees for appeals hearings.
- · Prepare briefs, and assist in searching and seizing records to prepare charges and documentation for court cases.
- · Review filed returns and determined issues to be examined for income and excise tax.
- · Explain recommended adjustments to tax return and prepare reports for taxpayer signature. Additional duties include: Guest presenter/instructor for Revenue Agents; AICPA CPE presentations; CHOICES presenter for junior high students; Commissioner's Representative in Charge of the Dover, Delaware office;

## Acting Manager, Mar 2010 - Aug 2011

- · Performed managerial duties while official manager was assigned other duties, including work assignment and supervision of 9 group members.
- · Review of employees work product (individual cases and yearly evaluation); discussed findings with employees. Prepared written recommendation of improvements/changes for employee and discussed with employee.
- · Prepare reports for upper management regarding group activities, accomplishments, employee issues, completion of work assigned.
- · Attend Manager meetings to discuss problems, procedures, goals for division.

## Classifier, Jan 2012 - May 2013

- · Research and development of potential areas of noncompliance for potential examination by excise tax specialists.
- · Review data bases for development of case work.
- · Prepare leads for further development by excise tax specialists.
- · Select cases and prepare for issuance to the excise tax groups.
- · Prepare reports of work performed and cases developed.

#### **EDUCATION**

Delaware State University, Dover, DE BA Accounting 1980 Summa Cum Laude MBA 1990

#### **ADDITIONAL SKILLS**

· Computer programs: Microsoft office: word, excel, power point

#### **MEMBERSHIPS**

Alpha Chi Honor Society, Delaware State University

Dover Federal Credit Union, Board of Supervisors – 2 years

State of Delaware Board of Education – 3.5 years

Perkins Advisory Board, Caesar Rodney Sr. High School – 2015 – current

Business Professionals of America judge 2017