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OVERVIEW



Accounting is often known as 'the language of business'. It's easy to see why, with financial information often providing critical information for decision making, performance evaluation and broader strategic and operational decisions. In this context, an ability to understand, use and question the financial information provided is a vital asset to business owners, managers and leaders. Confident use of such information is often the key in transitioning from being an expert in your own field to becoming an effective manager or leader.

Whether you are a manager or leader, or just thinking ahead to your future career, this programme is designed for current and future leaders who wish to broaden their financial knowledge, regardless of previous experience.

The course begins by putting financial information into a business context. It distinguishes between cash flow and profit, looking at first budgeting and then the main financial statements of a business.

A hands-on simulation helps to demystify these statements, key accounting concepts and

terminologies. Discussions allow participants to put these concepts and terminologies into their own contexts. The course then uses practical examples to explore how this financial information can be used to evaluate performance, identify warning signs and make decisions such as capital investment decisions. Finally, the course looks forward to how technology is changing the finance function and what opportunities and challenges this will bring for the users of financial information.

This immersive, practical, two-day course will enable you to comprehend and interpret financial information with confidence. You will be ready to use financial information to drive improvements and create opportunities in your organisation.

"Expertly delivered by Danielle, taking the time to break things down to basics at a relaxed pace to ensure all attendees had a clear understanding of the content. Well-structured and very relevant. I would encourage others to sit this course"

Sam Pyper, Senior Contracts Manager, FK Lowry Ltd





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Gain the knowledge and tools make better decisions and drive your organisation's competitive edge. Improve your performance and boost your career advancement with market-driven business skills.



Network with like-minded professionals and learn from your peers as well as industry experts and faculty.

Walk away with the skills to:

- · Put financial information in business context
- Emphasise the importance of budgeting and cash flow
- · Understand financial statements and key accounting terminology
- · Use financial information for evaluation and decision making
- Get ahead of developments in financial information
- Ask relevant questions with confidence

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PROGRAMME STRUCTURE AND CONTENT

DAY1

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Putting financial information in a business context

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Understanding the main financial statements

DAY 2

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Using financial information to make decisions and evaluate performance

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Real world implications of finance function transformation

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PROGRAMME FACULTY



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Danielle McConville is Head of Department for Accounting in Queen's Business School. She is a qualified accountant, having trained with EY and worked with a wide range of clients. She has extensive experience in teaching finance and accounting to non-accountants and is an engaging and knowledgeable facilitator, both in person and in online teaching.

Dr. McConville has taught Finance for Non-Financial Managers as an Executive Programme for the Leadership Institute since 2017 and has taught bespoke variants of that course for industry clients. She teaches Management Accounting and Accounting Information Systems in the Business School and for the professional accounting qualifications. She holds a PhD in Accounting from QUB, and her research includes charity regulation and accountability, accounting technologies and education.

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Professor Ashish Malik, PhD Director of Executive Education

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