

Preparation Course 2026 Accounting Fundamentals

3 September – 11 September 2026

Over three mornings on our Winterthur campus, this compact course provides a strong foundation in financial accounting. It is intended for students preparing for the assessment modules in the International Management

program as well as for other Bachelor's students who wish to strengthen their business English skills in financial accounting. Classes are taught by the same experienced faculty members who teach in the Bachelor's programs.

ACCOUNTING BASICS

- The role of accounting in business
- The accounting equation

RECORDING BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS

- Business transactions
- Double-entry bookkeeping
- T-accounts

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND BUSINESS IMPACT

- Balance sheet
- Income statement
- Cash flow statement
- Profit and decision-making

Organization

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Universities of applied sciences grant exam-free admission to holders of a Federal Vocational Baccalaureate or a gymnasial Matura with sufficient practical experience.

To successfully complete the degree program, accounting knowledge at the level of the Commercial Vocational Baccalaureate (M Profile) is mandatory.

TARGET AUDIENCE

The course is designed for Bachelor's students in the International Management program and for students from all degree programs who wish to strengthen their professional English in financial accounting.

The course is taught entirely in English. The course is offered once a year prior to the start of the fall semester.

COURSE MANAGEMENT

Niccole Jordan

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COURSE FEE

CHF 200 including learning materials and welcome coffee

COURSE DATES AND LOCATION

This course includes three in-person classes in Winterthur at the School of Management and Law, complemented by online learning materials.

The classes will be held on 3 September, 7 September, and 11 September 2026, from 10:00 to 13:00 each day.

Coffee and pastries will be available 30 minutes prior to the start of each class.

REGISTRATION AND DEADLINES

The registration deadline is 15 August 2026. A CHF 50 administration fee applies to late registrations.

The full course fee is also due in the event of non-attendance.

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