



Date: October 6, 2014
To: Dr. Alan Styles
From: Dr. Jennifer Fabbi
Dean, Library
Subject: Library Review of the Certificate in Professional Accounting

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the proposal for a Certificate in Professional Accounting. The following information reviews the current capacity and describes probable needs of the CSUSM Library to support this program. Ann Fiegen, Business Librarian, has reviewed the program proposal.

Existing Collections

Collections relevant to the proposed program would be housed with the CSUSM Kellogg Library, or more likely, virtually accessible through the Library website The California State University at San Marcos (CSUSM) Library (<http://biblio.csusm.edu>). CSUSM has no branch or satellite libraries on or off campus. Relevant current holdings include accounting-related articles found in Wiley Online, Lexis Nexis, Business Source Premier, and Factiva. The Library retains electronic and print access to *The Wall Street Journal* and selected accounting journals.

Additional Needed Collections

In order to meet student information needs for this certificate, we strongly recommend the following resources be added:

Core Resources	Notes	Cost
CCH Omni Tax Research Online School Access	This database is no longer used at the undergraduate level, and the library has cancelled this database as of Oct 1, 2014. A new subscription will need to be created by EL. An alternative to this resource is RIA Tax Research, available at a CSU system discount subscription. If this resource is of interest, we can investigate costs.	\$4,756 (annually, based on 2014 subscription cost)
FASB Accounting Standards Codification via Academic Accounting Access Program	From American Accounting Association	\$250 (annually)

Reference and instruction by subject specialist librarians

Ann Fiegen, library subject specialist for the College of Business Administration, will serve as the liaison to the Certificate in Professional Accounting. While this program does not present an immediate need for additional Library staffing, if there comes a time when the Library is unable to meet the scale of the program with current library staffing levels, EL support for additional library staffing will be negotiated between the Deans of the Library and Extended Learning.

Basic information about the library's collections and services follows in the table below.

Library holdings	http://biblio.csusm.edu/external/about-the-library/collection-overview
Circulation	http://biblio.csusm.edu/external/policies/books-%2526-media-borrowing-policies
Inter-library loan services	http://biblio.csusm.edu/interlibrary-loan-borrowing-policies
Reference/Research help	https://biblio.csusm.edu/research-assistance
Information Literacy Program	http://biblio.csusm.edu/about/departments/337/info
E-thesis, project, and dissertation submission	http://biblio.csusm.edu/guides/subject-guide/193-CSUSM-ETD-Submission-Guide/

The Library looks forward to continued collaboration with those working on the proposed Certificate in Professional Accounting and is happy to provide further information. It is essential that the program proposers continue discussions with the Library as the program is approved to ensure that students and faculty have sufficient information resources at the inception of the program. Please contact me when budget discussions begin with Extended Learning in order to begin this process.

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