

#### SYLLABUS: FINANCIAL ANALYSIS SPECIALIST CERTIFICATION (FAS) - CRN 40226

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# **LEARNING OBJECTIVES OF THE FASC:**

- Understanding and using net present value, pricing, costing, working capital, sensitivity analysis and other tools and best practices as a financial analyst.
- Understand how to use, interpret and forecast financial statements (balance sheet, income statement, cashflow)
- To be able to perform financial analysis with the help of ratio analysis and contribution and margin analysis
- To be able to understand and apply the basic principles of accounting, touching on revenue recognition and income determination
- To gain expertise in the effective use of Excel as a tool for financial analysis effectively

## **PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:**

**Self-Management:** The Financial Analysis Specialist Certification (FASC) is a self-study certification program. We greatly want to see you succeed, but your success depends on and directly corresponds to the amount of time and effort you put into learning the material, read the required readings and ask questions as they arise.

**PREREQUISITES**: We require one year of work experience before candidates are accepted into the FASC program.

#### **REQUIRED TEXTS:**

- 1. <u>Analysis for Financial Management</u> by Robert Higgins. 2011. McGraw-Hill/Irwin. ISBN-13: 978-0078034688
- 2. <u>Business Analysis with Microsoft Excel 5<sup>th</sup> Edition</u> by Conrad Carlberg. 2019. ISBN-13: 978-0789759580
- 3. <u>Financial Statements: A Step-by-Step Guide to Understanding and Creating Financial Reports</u> 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition by Thomas R. Ittelson. 2020. Career Press. ISNB-13: 978-1632651754

**REQUIRED TOOLS**: Internet access and an Internet browser with which to take the online exam and to view the program videos. Internet Explorer and Firefox work best, though most browsers should suffice.

## **FASC GRADE BREAKDOWN:**

Exam: (100 pts)

• 80 multiple choice/true-false questions

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