CMA 2024 Syllabus

Changes from the 2020 Syllabus

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The CMA syllabus is changing for the September/October 2024 Exam window. This document provides a summary of the changes and lists the specific line items of the Learning Outcome Statements that have been added to the syllabus.

Summary:

- Small changes made to the syllabus
- No major additions or deletions

Name Changes in Sections:

- Part 2, Section C Decision Analysis is now: Business Decision Analysis
- Part 2, Section D, Risk Management is now: Enterprise Risk Management
- Part 2 Section E, Investment Decisions is now: Capital Investment Decisions

Part 1 Additions

Section A

A.1. Financial statements

With respect to consolidated financial statements prepared under U.S. GAAP, the candidate should be able to:

- h. define consolidated financial statements
- i. define the two types of consolidation models, variable interest entity model and voting interest model
- j. demonstrate an understanding of the three types of consolidation accounting, full consolidation, proportionate consolidation, and equity consolidation
- k. demonstrate an understanding of intracompany balances and transactions that should be eliminated in consolidation

Section E

E.1. Governance, risk, and compliance

- x. identify and explain methods for testing the adequacy of internal controls, including inquiry, observation, inspection, and reperformance
- y. explain how to remediate internal control deficiencies

Section F

Technology and Analytics

F.4. Data analytics

q. define data management

Type of data analytics

- o. demonstrate an understanding of multiple regression and logistic regression and recognize when these techniques are appropriate
- p. calculate the result of multiple regression equations as applied to a specific situation

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Part 1 Deletions

Section D

- Process costing is reduced no calculations for EUP
- Theory of Constraints
- Activity Based Management
- Ways to improve accounting processes

Section F

COBIT

Part 2 Additions

Section A:

A.1 Comparative financial statement analysis

d. analyze financial statement data to identify patterns and trends that can be used to make business decisions

Section B:

B.3. Raising capital

m. identify the advantages and disadvantages of debt financing vs. equity financing

Section E:

E.2. Capital investment analysis methods

- k. define and calculate the profitability index
- I. describe how sensitivity analysis is used in capital investment decision analysis

Section F:

F.1. Business ethics

c. identify and explain the different types of business fraud, such as asset misappropriation, manipulation of financial statements, cash and inventory theft, payroll fraud, fake suppliers, and accounts receivable fraud

F.3. Ethical considerations for the organization

- t. define data ethics and explain the principles of fairness, privacy, transparency, and accountability with respect to how companies and artificial intelligence models use the data they collect
- u. demonstrate a general understanding of the purpose of governmental data protection regulations

Part 2 Deletions

Section F:

- Moral philosophies
- Statement on Management Accounting, "Values and Ethics"