



ACC 690 Milestone Three Guidelines and Rubric

Overview: The final project for this course is the creation of a white paper consisting of a report and spreadsheets. You will be placed in a scenario in which you will take the role of an associate in a certified public accountant (CPA) firm. The CPA partners in the scenario ask you to create a report for the firm's clients to help address some of the questions they ask. You will address questions from the firm's clients by assembling the necessary information in a written report format. Your report should include spreadsheet examples. Topics addressed in the white paper will cover bankruptcy, interim and segment reporting, foreign currency transactions, and nonprofit and governmental accounting.

Your three milestone assignments for this course consist of drafting shorter reports and supporting spreadsheets, which will prepare you for the completion of a comprehensive white paper. You should use your instructor's feedback from the milestone submissions to improve your final submission.

Prompt: For Milestone Three, draft a short paper and the necessary spreadsheets for Section I, Part D of the final project.

Specifically, the following **critical elements** must be addressed:

- I. **Incorporation:** Clients considering structuring their new business as a corporation are aware that there are complex issues to consider when accounting for an incorporated entity. The clients want information about the following key areas:
 - D. When incorporating, it is important to consider whether or not the company will conduct business internationally.
 1. Summarize the **impact of foreign exchange rates** on the company's financial statements. What risks do foreign exchange rates pose? Provide academically supported example(s) in your response.
 2. What are the **two methods** used to **translate financial statements** and how does the functional currency play a role in determining which method is used? Provide academic support in your response.
 3. Compose a hypothetical example to **demonstrate the translation process** using the two methods. Ensure all information is entered accurately.

Rubric

Guidelines for Submission: Your paper must be submitted as a 2- to 3-page Word document (excluding the title page, reference page, and spreadsheet addendums). Use double spacing, 12-point Times New Roman font, one-inch margins, and at least two academic sources (in addition to your textbook) cited in APA format. Your accompanying spreadsheets must be submitted as Microsoft Excel files.

Critical Elements	Proficient (100%)	Needs Improvement (70%)	Not Evident (0%)	Value
Incorporation: Impact of Foreign Exchange Rates	Summarizes the impact of foreign exchange rates on the financial statements and determines the risks they pose, providing academically supported example	Summarizes the impact of foreign exchange rates on the financial statements but does not determine the risks they pose, or summary is cursory, not supported, or has inaccuracies	Does not summarize the impact of foreign exchange rates on the financial statements	30

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Incorporation: Two Methods to Translate Financial Statements	Describes the two methods used to translate financial statements and how the functional currency plays a role in determining which is used, with academic support	Describes the two methods used to translate financial statements but does not describe how the functional currency plays a role in determining which is used, or description is cursory or has inaccuracies	Does not describe the two methods of translation	30
Incorporation: Demonstrate the Translation Process	Composes a hypothetical example demonstrating the translation process using the two methods and ensures all information is entered accurately	Composes a hypothetical example demonstrating the translation process using the two methods but contains inaccuracies	Does not compose a hypothetical example	30
Articulation of Response	Submission has no major errors related to citations, grammar, spelling, syntax, or organization	Submission has major errors related to citations, grammar, spelling, syntax, or organization that negatively impact readability and articulation of main ideas	Submission has critical errors related to citations, grammar, spelling, syntax, or organization that prevent understanding of ideas	10
Total				100%