

# SHORT COURSES

## Overview

The short courses are targeted at candidates who are pursuing overseas degrees in business and accounting and who wish to know more about Singapore Law and Taxation with regards to corporate and business in Singapore. Candidates can either take the short courses individually or together.

These short courses also satisfy exemption from professional examinations:

- ACCA - Two fundamental papers, namely Corporate and Business Law, and Taxation
- CPA Australia - Three professional papers, namely Commercial Law, Corporations Law and Taxation

## Elements of Singapore Tax

The course is designed to provide students with the rationale and the functions of the tax system in Singapore. The course then considers the common types of taxes that an accountant in Singapore would need to be familiar with, such as income tax from business activity (whether through a corporate entity or as a sole proprietor), employment, investments and the goods and services tax liability of businesses. Having covered the core areas of the basic taxes, the student should be able to compute the tax liabilities for companies and sole proprietors, work out the tax liabilities for individuals as well as have a grasp of the application and mechanics of the Goods and Services Tax system, be able to explain the basis of their calculations, apply simple tax planning techniques for individuals

and companies. Students would also be familiar with compliance issues for the taxes covered under the course. These issues include time-bars and penalties for non-compliance.

## Elements of Singapore Law

This course provides students with a basic understanding and knowledge of the Singapore corporate and business law. This course will cover the following specific areas:

- Legal system in Singapore,
- Key elements of contract law,
- Basics of tort law and professional negligence,
- Key principles of company law and corporate governance.

With respect to contract law and tort law, the goal is to show how these areas of law bind parties to perform their agreements. The goal of the company law course is to show how company law facilitates business transactions through the formation, constitution, management and financing of companies. With respect to corporate governance, the goal is to demonstrate how disciplines as varied as law, management, accounting and ethics are brought together to focus on how companies are governed.

The aims of this course are to develop the students' knowledge and skills in the understanding of the general legal framework and specific legal areas relating to business. The students will develop knowledge and skills in legal analysis and recognition of legal issues and the need to seek further specialist legal advice where necessary.

## Duration and Intake

Programme Duration	Intakes
3 Months Full-time or Part-time (for each short course)	June, September, November

## Mode of Delivery

Classroom learning comprising:

- Lectures
- Tutorials
- Workshops

Each lesson is typically a minimum of 3 hours.

## Assessment

- Written Exams
- Assignments (non-examinable)

## Programme Requirements

Candidates who sign up for the short courses must be SIM graduates or current undergraduates. Those who sign up for the Elements of Singapore Tax must have successfully completed a basic accounting course in their undergraduate degree or have been awarded a Diploma in Accountancy. For more information about the short courses, please email [study@sim.edu.sg](mailto:study@sim.edu.sg)

## Programme Fees

The fees are S\$963 each or S\$1,926 for two courses.

*Fees are inclusive of prevailing GST and payable in one payment before course commencement. Fees do not include textbooks. Please refer to SIM GE website for the latest fees.*

### Special Note:

*Candidates in these short courses will not require a separate PEI-Student Contract nor need to participate in the Fee Protection Scheme. Medical insurance mentioned under the Application and Admission page will not apply to those who only registered for the short courses.*