

# Accounting N5

## Why take this course?

This course will help you to understand and use financial information, allowing you to prepare accounting statements, and to analyse and report on a firm's financial performance.

## By studying the course you will:

- develop an awareness of the function which accounting performs in industry and society
- prepare, present, interpret and analyse accounting information
- apply a systematic approach to solving financial problems
- apply information technology in accounting-related tasks

## To succeed in this course, you need...

This course will suit you if you enjoy numeracy-based learning, if you pay attention to detail and if you like to apply logical and analytical thinking.

There is no previous preparation for the course which means you need to be willing to complete regular homework in order to cover the material in the time available.

Note: there is no N4 Accounting course.

## Course structure and content (subject to change by SQA)

The course is comprised of 2 units:

### Financial Accounting

- preparation, interpretation and analysis of financial accounting information

### Management Accounting

- preparation of internal management accounting information, used by management when making decisions about future planning and control of their business

### Course Assessment

Exam (2 hours) – 130 marks

Assignment (2 hours in exam conditions, externally assessed) – 50 marks

## Where might this course take me?

H Accounting is available as progression from N5.

The course is useful for anyone intending to study any business or accounting/finance course. It will also be useful for those who may be employed in or who aim to start up a small business.