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SCHOOL	Johannesburg Business School
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ASSESSMENT OPPORTUNITY, MONTH AND YEAR	FSAO – Final Summative Assessment Opportunity November 2019

ASSESSMENT DATE	18 November 2019	SESSION	08:30 – 11:30
ASSESSOR(S)	Mr R van der Walt		
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DURATION	1.5 hours (90 min)	TOTAL MARKS	50

NUMBER OF PAGES OF QUESTION PAPER (Including cover page)	6
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INFORMATION/INSTRUCTIONS:

- Open Blackboard and navigate to the appropriate module and Assessment tab
- Start with the OTQ section, the password will be provided
- Open a new Word document, save it with your student number and name.
- Type your student number inside the document and complete the long questions
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- You may use Excel and Word
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QUESTION 1**(20 MARKS)**

Your company provides labour dispute and mediation services to large corporates in the Cape Town area. Whenever companies experience problems that cannot be resolved with employees internally, they approach you as an impartial, external mediator.

Your results for the 2019 financial year are presented below:

	2019 R	2020 Budget R
Mediation cases (R720 per case)	1 584 000	?
<i>Variable costs:</i>		
Legal representation	216 000	
Commission	324 000	
Legal documentation costs	50 400	
<i>Fixed costs:</i>		
Office rental – Total for the year	330 000	

Required:

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| 1.1) Prepare the budget for the 2020 financial year using the Percentage-of-Revenue method and assuming the number of cases increases by 200 cases. | 5 marks |
| 1.2) Discuss the ethical implications of being an external mediator but still receiving payment from the companies for which you provide the mediation services. | 3 marks |
| 1.3) Identify two strategies that can be used to manage the annual office rental costs. | 2 marks |
| 1.4) Calculate the number of cases that is needed to reach break-even in 2019 and for the budgeted 2020. | 10 marks |

Note: Round to 2 decimals

Total for Question 1 = 20 marks

QUESTION 2**(10 MARKS)**

You work for the HR division of a large corporate bank, situated in Cape Town. Recently, one of the other managers approached you for assistance in dealing with two different type of roles needed for a project.

The project requires a financial accountant as well as a managerial accountant, but the manager was unsure as to what the difference is. In addition, the project is very much linked to a medium sized company with a limited budget.

Required:

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| 2.1) Compare and Contrast the roles of a financial accountant and a managerial accountant by drafting a job description for each one. | 5 marks |
| 2.2) Discuss how these two roles would change and evolve depending on whether or not the company is a small, medium or large entity. | 5 marks |

Note: Round to 2 decimals

Total for Question 2 = 10 marks

QUESTION 3**(20 MARKS)**

You currently work for Unwind HR (Pty) Ltd, which is a successful HR recruitment firm. The company has an office in Cape Town and services the local corporate community. Below is an extract from their Annual Financial Statements:

Unwind HR (Pty) Ltd
Statement of Financial Position
as at 31 July 2019

	2019	2018
ASSETS		
Non-current assets	374 950	343 750
Property, plant & equipment	215 450	178 250
Vehicles	87 000	93 000
Investment in gold coins	50 000	50 000
Brand name	22 500	22 500
Current assets	57 600	57 100
Inventory	11 900	17 300
Accounts receivable	27 300	8 800
Cash	18 400	31 000
Total assets	432 550	400 850
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Shareholder's equity	91 250	53 350
Share capital (4 partners)	1 000	1 000
Retained profit	100 250	67 350
Dividends paid	(10 000)	(15 000)
Non-current liabilities	310 000	320 000
Long-term debt	310 000	320 000
Current liabilities	31 300	27 500
Accounts payable	21 900	17 200
Bank overdraft	9 400	10 300
Total equity and liabilities	432 550	400 850

Unwind HR (Pty) Ltd
Statement of Financial Performance
for the period ended 31 July 2019

	2019	2018
Total Revenue	196 000	188 000
Employee recruitments	122 000	113 000
Employee unfair dismissal arbitration	74 000	75 000
Less: Cost of Sales	(66 700)	(57 200)
Wages	(53 000)	(45 000)
Direct Material	(13 700)	(12 200)
Operating Profit	129 300	130 800
Less: Office hire	(38 000)	(32 500)
Profit Before Interest and Tax	91 300	98 300
Less: Interest (8%)	(24 800)	(25 600)
Profit Before Tax	66 500	72 700
Less: Taxation	(18 600)	(20 350)
Profit After Tax	47 900	52 350

Required:

- 3.1) **Prepare** the profitability and liquidity ratios for the two years and comment on the differences between the two. Your comments should highlight what the implications of an increase/decrease are. **17 marks**
- 3.2) **Discuss** some of the shortcomings of ratio analysis that could affect your results. **3 marks**

Note: Round to 2 decimals

Total for Question 3 = 20 marks

Formula sheet

$$\text{Gross profit margin (or \%)} = \frac{\text{Revenue} - \text{cost of sales}}{\text{Revenue}} \times 100$$

$$\text{Gross profit mark-up} = \frac{\text{Revenue} - \text{cost of sales}}{\text{Cost of sales}} \times 100$$

$$\text{Operating profit margin (or \%)} = \frac{\text{Operating profit}}{\text{Revenue}} \times 100$$

$$\text{Net profit margin (or \%)} = \frac{\text{Net profit}}{\text{Revenue}} \times 100$$

$$\text{Asset turnover} = \frac{\text{Revenue}}{\text{Total assets}}$$

$$\text{Non-current asset turnover} = \frac{\text{Revenue}}{\text{Non-current assets excluding investments}}$$

$$\text{Inventory turnover} = \frac{\text{Cost of sales}}{\text{Average inventory}}$$

$$\text{Return on capital employed} = \frac{\text{Profit after tax}}{\text{Capital employed (shareholders' funds only)}} \times 100$$

$$\text{Return on equity} = \frac{\text{Net profit}}{\text{Equity}} \times 100$$

$$\text{Return on assets} = \frac{\text{Operating profit}}{\text{Total assets}} \times 100$$

$$\text{Current ratio} = \frac{\text{Current assets}}{\text{Current liabilities}}$$

$$\text{Quick ratio} = \frac{\text{Current assets less inventory}}{\text{Current liabilities}}$$

$$\text{Interest cover} = \frac{\text{Profit before interest and tax}}{\text{Interest expense}}$$

$$\text{Gearing} = \frac{\text{Non-current debt}}{\text{Shareholders' funds} + \text{non-current debt}} \times 100$$