

I am a tenured accounting instructor at a local community college. I have passed the CPA Exam (TN), and I have a Master of Business Administration (MBA) from Western Washington University. I have been teaching accounting since 2002. I also worked in the private sector for over 25 years in accounting, financial planning, and manufacturing operations. My unique teaching style is effective; I am able to connect with students because I can draw on my broad experience to find ways to help students learn. Students not only learn the "what," they learn the "why."

EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Develops course materials and facilitates college-level accounting and personal finance course discussions and learning, both face-to-face and online
- Advises and mentors students about business programs and college requirements
- Collaborates with colleagues to develop business school curriculum
- Coordinator and member of Accounting Program Advisory Committee
- Organizer and advisor of the Financial Skills Club
- Plans, coordinates, and participates in special events involving college and community officials

BUSINESS EXPERIENCE

- Founder, principal, and operator of financial and management consulting firm
- Financial and business advisor to family law firm (CFO duties)
- Managed software and hardware products for Microsoft, North America turnkey manufacturing operations. Scope of work included business analysis, budgeting and forecasting, financial and operation measurement and reporting, contract review and negotiation, relationship management, team building, training and mentoring
- Developed, coordinated, and implemented worldwide performance measurement systems and programs
- Streamlined accounting operations, e.g. reduced monthly closing cycle by half
- Developed and coordinated effective cost control systems for multi-million dollar operations
- Coordinated the relocation of a multi-million dollar division from USA to Ireland
- Implemented practices to increase cash flow and reduce bad debt expense
- Managed investor relations, including an initial public offering and preparation of "road show" and briefing materials
- Developed business cases for establishing several international software manufacturing sites around the world
- Managed and conducted financial and operational audits
- Coordinated development and implementation of budget and forecast systems
- Managed planning and execution of worldwide corporate budgets and forecasts
- Developed, implemented, and administered effective internal programs
- Recruited, hired, and trained staff
- Implemented formal career and succession planning programs