DATE: February 6, 2018

TO: Declared Undergraduate Accounting Majors & Graduate Students, enrolled in the Master of Science in Accountancy or Master of Science in Taxation or MBA concentration in Accounting Programs

FROM: Department of Accounting

SUBJECT: **SPRING 2018 DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING CASE COMPETITION**

The Department of Accounting will host its 10th Case Competition for all accounting students. We are looking for interested students who will compete in this semester’s case competition. Each team must have a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 4 members, comprised of both undergraduate and graduate students. Each team will present for approximately 15 minutes and engage in Q & A with the judging panel for approximately 5 minutes. Applicants should be comfortable speaking professionally in front of the judges, professionals representing the “Big 4” accounting firms and CSUF faculty.

Each team will be awarded a Departmental Scholarship:

- **1st place**: $500 each member
- **2nd place**: $250 each member
- **3rd place**: $100 each member

**How to Form a team**

1. Interested students are to form teams on their own. To form your own team, please include the names of all team members on the participation form. Individuals who are not already on a team will be matched up by the Department.
2. The competition is NOT open to the following students:
   a. Freshman
   b. Sophomores who have not finished Acct 201A - Financial Accounting
   c. Students graduating in Spring 2018
3. The team cannot completely be made up of graduates or seniors.
4. The recommended composition of teams for the competition should be: 1-2 sophomores or juniors, 1-2 seniors, 1-2 graduate students.
5. We will select teams for the final competition based on the teams’ written response to case questions (see below for relevant dates and deadlines). You are expected to show critical thinking.

**Important Dates**

1. **February 23; March 9**: Deadline to submit applications and form teams. Individuals who are not already on a team will be matched up by the Department.
2. **March 13**: Case will be emailed to each team member along with instructions.
3. **April 2**: Deadline for case memo submission (hard copy) to the Accounting Department.
4. **April 6**: Presentation of the case in front of judges in SGMH-2301 and/or SGMH 2307, 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

1st, 2nd, and 3rd place team winners will be announced at the Spring 2018 Awards Banquet on May 3rd. If your team is selected for presentation, you MUST be present at the Awards Banquet ceremony in order to receive your award.

If you have questions, please contact the Department of Accounting at accountingdept@fullerton.edu.