



BUS 290 – 002 – Introduction to Finance

2023 Fall (August 30 - December 5)

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Class Time: R 7:00pm – 9:45pm
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Prerequisites: BUS 100

Course Description:

The objective of the course will be to introduce students to financial concepts, including but not limited to: financial markets, cash flows and accounting statements, analysis around risk and return, valuation, budgeting, and the time value of money.

Text:

The textbook being used for this course is:

URCourses regularly for class announcements.

Corporate Finance, 9th Edition, Ross, Westerfield, Jaffe, Driss, McGraw Hill, 2022.

The text is strongly recommended in order to be successful in the course. Used copies should be available, and prior editions may be used at your own risk and discretion.

Course materials and communications will be via URCourses. It is the responsibility of students to check

Assessment:

Assignments 2 Assignments (Weight = 10% each) Midterm Exam #1 September 28^{th} (Weight = 20%) Midterm Exam #2 November 2^{nd} (Weight = 20%) Final Exam December 19^{th} (Weight = 40%)

Course Content:

Material covered in this course can/will be drawn from the following:

- Ch. 1: Introduction to Corporate Finance
- Ch. 2: Accounting Statements and Cash Flows
- Ch. 4: Financial Markets and Net Present Value
- Ch. 5: The Time Value of Money

- Ch. 6: How to Value Bonds & Stocks
- Ch. 7: Net Present Value & Other Investment Rules
- Ch. 8: Net Present Value & Capital Budgeting





Ch. 10: Risk & Return: Lessons from Market History

• Ch. 11: Risk & Return: CAPM

 Ch. 14: Corporate Financing Decisions & Efficient Capital Markets Ch. 15: Long-Term Financing

• Ch. 21: Long-Term Debt

• Ch. 23: Options

• Ch. 26: Derivatives & Hedging Risk

Student Responsibilities:

- 1. Regular class attendance is expected. It is the student's responsibility to obtain notes from a classmate if a class is missed
- 2. Students are expected to adhere to the Hill and Levene Student Code of Professional & Ethical Conduct
- 3. Communications regarding course-related matters must be conducted via email. I will make every effort to respond to all emails same-day. Please plan-ahead or make appointments for discussions.
- 4. Students must make every effort to write both midterms and complete all assignments. Students will receive zero for any missed or late assignment (no exceptions). In the case of mid-terms, exceptions may be made for either a serious student illness or family crisis. In this event, students must self-declare, with explanation, within 5 business days of the missed exam Make-up exams or alternative weightings may be granted for missed mid-term exams; the 20% weight of the missed midterm will be transferred to the final (increasing the weight from 40% to 60%). This will only occur if I receive a written request from the student within 5 business days of the missed exam. Failure to do so will result in a grade of zero for the missed mid-erm. These written requests/medical attestations will be submitted to Records Management of the Faculty of Business Administration at the end of the semester
- 5. Final exams occurring during scheduled times. If you are unable to write the Final during the scheduled time you must formally request a deferred exam for the general office of the Faculty of Business Administration. Note: deferred exams are only granted in exceptional circumstances.

Student Accommodations:

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