

**GBUS 834: Corporate Finance  
(Spring 2022)**

**Course Outline**

**Class Time:** Tuesday & Thursday 19:00 – 21:45 (ED 558/Zoom)

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**Special Needs:**

If there is any student in this course who, because of a disability, may have a need for special accommodations, please contact the Centre for Student Accessibility, well in advance of the Midterm exam.

**Course Objective and Content**

This course provides a comprehensive study of financial decisions in today's business enterprises. Major emphasis is placed on investment, asset valuation and financial structure policies of a firm. Topics include discounted cash flow, capital budgeting, risk-return trade-off, capital structure and major financial instruments.

**Text/Readings**

- Ross, Westerfield et al., *Corporate Finance, Eighth Canadian Edition* (2019), McGraw-Hill Ryerson.
- Case package

## **Grading**

Mid-term Exam	35
Class Participation	10
Group Project	20
Final Exam	35

## **Final Project:**

Details of the project will be provided during the course. It will be a group exercise and each group will hand in a report on June 9, before the start of class.

## **Exams:**

For the Mid-term and Final exams, students will be responsible for all material previously covered in class, as well as the applicable assigned text chapters and any additional assigned readings. The Final Exam will be based on the entire term work, but those topics and materials covered subsequent to the Mid-term will be given additional emphasis.

## **Tentative Course Content (Subject to revision):**

### May 3 & 5: Review of Basic Finance Concepts

Review of introductory finance concepts, with a particular focus on the importance and calculation of Cash Flows (Chapter 2), Time Value of Money (Chapter 5), the Capital Budgeting Process, including calculations of NPV and IRR (Ch. 7 and 8).  
Case discussion: Cameco

### May 10 & 12: Return and Risk

Ch. 10. Capital Market History: An Overview  
Ch. 11. Return and Risk: The Capital Asset Pricing Model

### May 17

Case discussion: Alex Sharpe's Portfolio.  
Ch. 13. Risk, Return and Capital Budgeting

### May 19

Mid-Term Exam

### May 24

Case discussion: Estimating Walmart's Cost of Capital.  
Ch. 16 Capital Structure: Basic Concepts

May 26 & 31

Valuation (Chapter 18 plus handout)

Case discussion: Saskferco Inc.

Discuss Group Project Cases

June 2

Ch. 23. Options and Corporate Finance: Basic Concepts

June 7

Case discussion: Input Capital

Work on group projects.

June 9

Presentations

June 14: Final Exam