



Course Descriptor FINA510 -Accounting & Finance for Managers

Proposed Academic Year	2021-2022	Last Reviewed Academic Year	2020-2021
Course Code	FINA510	Course Title	Accounting & Finance for Managers
Credit hours	3	Level of study	Postgraduate
College / Centre	College of Business Administration	Department	MNGT-MBA
Co-requisites	None	Pre-requisites	None

1. COURSE OUTLINE

The course provides a framework of financial management which is taught from the viewpoint of a corporate financial manager with the objective of maximizing stockholder wealth. The main topics taught in this course include but not limited to financial statement analysis, markets and institutions, risk and rates of return, time value of money, bond and stock valuation, cost of capital, capital budgeting, capital structure and leverage, dividend policy, and international finance.

2. AIMS

The aim of the course is to provide students with adequate knowledge pertaining to:

- The goal of financial management of the firm.
- Corporate financial statements and financial ratios.
- Time value of money concepts and calculations.
- The valuation of stocks and bonds.
- The concepts of risk and return.
- Corporate capital budgeting, including appropriate cash flow estimation.
- Dividend policy and its impact on the company's performance.

3. LEARNING OUTCOMES, TEACHING, LEARNING and ASSESSMENT METHODS

Learning Outcomes (Definitive)	Teaching and Learning methods (Indicative)	Assessment (Indicative)
Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:		
1. Critically analyze financial statements to evaluate a company's financial strength.	Lectures and seminars, Group work, Presentations	Class Presentation, Written Examination, Case Study, Assignments
2. Determine the relationship of risk and return and measure financial risk;	Lectures and seminars, Group work, Presentations	Class Presentation, Written Examination, Case Study, Assignments
3. Develop advanced skillset to calculate and critically interpret present and future values, bond and stock valuation;	Lectures and seminars, Group work, Presentations	Class Presentation, Written Examination, Case Study, Assignments
4. Calculate a firm's cost of capital and critically analyze the determinants	Lectures and seminars, Group work, Presentations	Class Presentation, Written Examination, Case Study,



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of capital structure choice and factors that affect dividend policy	Assignments
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4. ASSESSMENT WEIGHTING

Assessment	Percentage of final mark (%)
Midterm Examination	20
Case/Assignment	45
Final Exam	35
TOTAL	100%

5. ACHIEVING A PASS

Students will achieve **03** credit hours for this course by passing **ALL** of the course assessments and achieving a **minimum overall score of 50%**

6. COURSE CONTENT (Indicative)		
WEEK	LECTURE TOPIC	TIME (HOURS)
1	An Overview of Financial Management.	3
2	Financial Markets and Institutions	3
3	Financial Statements, Cash Flow, and Taxes-I	3
4	Financial Statements, Cash Flow, and Taxes-II	3
5	Ratio analysis Mid Term Exam	3
6	Securities valuation	3
7	Investment decision criteria	3
8	Corporate Capital Budgeting	3
9	Cash Flow Estimation and Risk Analysis	3
10	The Cost of Capital Case/Assignment	3
11	Risk and Rates of Return	3
12	Leverage and capital structure	3
13	Dividend policy and share price maximization	3



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6. COURSE CONTENT (Indicative)		
WEEK	LECTURE TOPIC	TIME (HOURS)
14	Mergers and acquisitions	3
15	Revision	3
16	Final Exam	
	TOTAL HOURS	45
1 - 16	Plus RECOMMENDED INDEPENDENT STUDY HOURS	45
	TOTAL COURSE HOURS	90

7. RECOMMENDED READING

Core text/s:

Brigham, Eugene F and Houston, Joel. F (2014). Fundamentals of Financial Management. South-Western College Publishing.

Secondary/Additional Tests:

Gitman, L. J., & Zutter, C. J. (2012). Principles of managerial finance. Prentice Hall.

Mishkin, F.S., Eakins, S.G. (2014). Financial Markets and Institutions. Pearson.

Titman, S., & Keown, A. J. (2015). Financial management: Principles and applications. Pearson.

Library + online resources:

ASU library

ASU online resources (ProQuest and ebrary)

Sultan Qaboos University Library (by agreement)