



**University of International Business and Economics
International Summer School**

FIN 210 Corporate Finance

Term: May 25-June 25, 2020

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Class Hours: Monday through Thursday, 120 minutes each day (2,400 minutes in total)

Office Hours: TBD

Discussion Session: 2 hours each week

Total Contact Hours: 64 contact hours (45 minutes each, 48 hours in total)

Credit: 4 units

Course Description:

This course covers central issues in financial management and corporate finance. Students will learn how financial managers make investment, financing and other decisions and the tools they use to reach such decisions. Topics covered include time value of money, risk, valuation, capital structure, capital budgeting, dividend policy and the capital asset pricing model. The course provides the analytical tools and the financial theories needed to implement sound financial decisions.

Required Textbook:

Principles of Corporate Finance (13th Edition) by Richard A Brealey, Stewart C Myers, Franklin Allen

Publisher: McGraw-Hill Education; 13 edition (February 28, 2019); ISBN-10: 1260565556; ISBN-13: 978-1260565553

Readings from the required text are shown in the table on page 3 (course outline). Readings should be done **before class**.

Grading Policy:

The grade for the course will be based on the following:

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| Attendance and participation | 10% |
| Homework | 20% |
| Midterm Exam | 30% |
| Final Exam | 40% |

Grading Scale:

Assignments and examinations will be graded according to the following grade scale:

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| A | 90-100 | C+ | 72-74 |
| A- | 85-89 | C | 68-71 |
| B+ | 82-84 | C- | 64-67 |
| B | 78-81 | D | 60-63 |
| B- | 75-77 | F | below 60 |

Curve may be used if appropriate.

Homework:

Homework assignments will be given after each class and will be due at the beginning of the next class. Grading of homework will be on an 'efforts only' basis, but must be done individually. Late homework submissions and email homework will not be accepted.

Exams:

All exams will be held in class (or at a location to be announced) and are 'closed book'. Calculators may be used but accessing the Internet, using e-mail or any other text-messaging or internet devices, such as cell phones, smart watches or PDAs, will not be allowed. Exams must also be taken at the scheduled time. There will be no make-up exams.

Plagiarism & Fraud:

Cheating on exams and homework will not be tolerated. Evidence of cheating or submission of homework that is not the product of your own work will result in a score of zero. Repeated occurrences may result in disqualification.

Class Rules:

Students are expected to:

- Attend all classes and be responsible for all material covered in class and otherwise assigned. Any unexcused absence may impact a student's grade.
- Complete the day's required reading and assignments before class
- Review the previous day's notes before class; make notes about questions you have about the previous class or the day's reading
- Participate in class discussions and complete required written work on time
- No smoking, eating or drinking except water and tea.
- Bring an electronic calculator (that cannot store text) **to all classes** to follow along with examples and solve in class exercises. Cellphone may not be used as calculator.
- Otherwise, no electronics use (e.g. cell phones, smart phones, laptop) during the lecture.

Course Schedule:

| Week | Date | TOPICS | READING |
|-------------|-------------|--|----------------|
| 1 | 25-May-20 | Course Introduction | CH. 1 & 2 |
| | 26-May-20 | Time value of money and bond valuation | CH. 2 & 3 |
| | 27-May-20 | Valuation of Bonds and stocks | CH. 3 & 4 |
| | 26-May-20 | Net Present Value and Decisions | CH. 5 & 6 |
| 2 | 1-Jun-20 | Risk and the Capital Asset Pricing Model | CH. 7 & 8 |
| | 2-Jun-20 | Risk and the Cost of Capital | CH. 9 & 13 |
| | 3-Jun-20 | Corporate Financing and Securities Issuance | CH. 14 & 15 |
| | 4-Jun-20 | Dividends and Capital Appreciation | CH. 11 & 16 |
| 3 | 8-Jun-20 | The Capital Structure of the Corporation | CH. 17 & 18 |
| | 9-Jun-20 | Financing and Valuation | CH. 19 |
| | 10-Jun-20 | MIDTERM REVIEW | |
| | 11-Jun-20 | MIDTERM EXAM | |
| 4 | 15-Jun-20 | Debt and Bond ratings | CH. 23 & 24 |
| | 16-Jun-20 | Debts and Lease Financing | CH. 24 & 25 |
| | 17-Jun-20 | Financial Analysis | CH. 28 & 29 |
| | 18-Jun-20 | Understanding Options | CH. 20 & 21 |
| 5 | 22-Jun-20 | Valuing Options | CH. 21 & 22 |
| | 23-Jun-20 | Finance and Governance | CH. 33 & 34 |
| | 24-Jun-20 | COURSE REVIEW | |
| | 25-Jun-20 | FINAL EXAM (Comprehensive) | |

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