



Course Specifications

Course Title:	Corporate Finance
Course Code:	FIN 310
Program:	B.Sc. in Finance
Department:	Finance
College:	College of Business Administration
Institution:	Prince Sultan University

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A. Course Identification

1. Credit hours:	3 Hours
2. Course type	
a.	University <input type="checkbox"/> College <input type="checkbox"/> Department <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Others <input type="checkbox"/>
b.	Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Elective <input type="checkbox"/>
3. Level/year at which this course is offered:	Undergraduate/ Year 3 or 4
4. Pre-requisites for this course (if any):	FIN210 – Principles of Finance
5. Co-requisites for this course (if any):	NA

6. Mode of Instruction (mark all that apply)

No	Mode of Instruction	Contact Hours	Percentage
1	Traditional/Virtual classroom	45	100
2	Blended		
3	E-learning		
4	Distance learning		
5	Other		

7. Contact Hours (based on academic semester)

No	Activity	Contact Hours
1	Lecture	40-45
2	Laboratory/Studio	
3	Tutorial	
4	Others (specify) Exams	0-5
	Total	45

B. Course Objectives and Learning Outcomes

1. Course Description

The purpose of the course is to discuss the essential questions in financial management, which need to be addressed by financial managers, which complements students' earlier exposure to the basic finance understandings in the introductory finance class. Topics discussed include capital budgeting, cost of capital, capital structure theories, dividend policy and working capital management.

2. Course Main Objective

The objective of the course is to discuss the essential questions in financial management, which include risk and return analysis, cost of capital, capital structure theories, dividend policy, financial planning, and working capital management.

3. Course Learning Outcomes

CLOs		Aligned PLOs
1	Knowledge and Understanding	
1.1	Describe concepts, theories and tools in making effective investment, financing and working capital decisions.	PLO1
2	Skills :	
2.1	Evaluate proposed investment projects using the discounted cash flow analysis and (stand-alone) risk assessment.	PLO2 & PLO5b
2.2	Estimate the individual cost components, and the weighted average cost of capital.	PLO2, PLO3 & PLO5b
2.3	Discuss the implication of the capital structure decisions, from the fundamental and alternative viewpoints.	PLO2, PLO3 & PLO5b
2.4	Explain dividend payments and the factors favoring higher and lower pay-out policies.	PLO2 & PLO5b
2.5	Evaluate factors influencing effective working capital decisions.	PLO2, PLO3 & PLO5b
2.6	Demonstrate the ability to present ideas and concepts effectively through oral and written communication.	PLO4a, PLO4b & PLO5a
3	Values:	
3.1	Indicate the ability to work in group settings in solving and analyzing issues and problems related to long-term investment and financing.	PLO5a
3.2	Relate financial decisions to ethical standards	PLO5b

C. Course Content

No	List of Topics	Contact Hours
1	Introduction/Review	3
2	Making Capital Investment Decisions	9
4	Cost of Capital	6
5	Financial Leverage	6
6	Capital Structure Policy	3
7	Dividend and Dividend Policy	6
8	Short Term Finance and Current Liability Management	3
9	Cash and Liquidity Management	3
10	Credit and Inventory Management	6
Total		45

D. Teaching and Assessment

1. Alignment of Course Learning Outcomes with Teaching Strategies and Assessment Methods

Code	Course Learning Outcomes	Teaching Strategies	Assessment Methods
1.0	Knowledge and Understanding		
1.1	Describe concepts, theories and tools in making effective investment, financing and working capital decisions	Lectures Theoretical Discussions	Exams and discussions
2.0	Skills		
2.1	Evaluate proposed investment projects using the discounted cash flow analysis and (stand-alone) risk assessment.	Lecture, cases, and discussion problem solving	Exams and discussions
2.2	Estimate the individual cost components, and the weighted average cost of capital.	Lecture, cases, discussion, and problem solving	Exams and discussions
2.3	Discuss the implication of the capital structure decisions, from the fundamental and alternative viewpoints.	Lecture, cases, discussion, and problem solving	Exams and discussions
2.4	Explain dividend payments and the factors favoring higher and lower pay- out policies.		Exams and discussions

Code	Course Learning Outcomes	Teaching Strategies	Assessment Methods
		Lecture, cases, discussion, problem and solving	
2.5	Evaluate factors influencing effective working capital decisions.	Lecture, cases, discussion, problem and solving	Exams and Discussions
2.6	Demonstrate the ability to present ideas and concepts effectively through oral and written	Problem solving	Project – written and oral presentation
3.0	Values		
3.1	Indicate the ability to work in group settings in solving and analyzing issues and problems related to long-term investment and financing.	Problem solving	Project – written and oral presentation
3.2	Relate financial decisions to ethical standards	Lecture, cases, discussion, problem and solving	Exams and Discussions

2. Assessment Tasks for Students

#	*Assessment task	Week Due	Percentage of Total Assessment Score
1	Quiz	After Completion of Few Topics	15%-10%
2	Major 1	Between Week 5-7	20%-15%
3	Major 2	Between Week 10-12	20%-15%
4	Group Project/Presentation	Week 14	0-10%
5	Assignment/Homework/Forum /Participation	Throughout the semester	0-5%
6	Final Examination	Week16-Week17	40%

*Assessment task (i.e., written test, oral test, oral presentation, group project, essay, etc.)

E. Student Academic Counseling and Support

Arrangements for availability of faculty and teaching staff for individual student consultations and academic advice:

Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday (11am -12 pm) and upon Request

F. Learning Resources and Facilities

1. Learning Resources

Required Textbooks	Ross, Westerfield, Jordan and Bley, 2016, Fundamental of Corporate Finance , 2nd edition Middle East.
Essential References Materials	Ross, Westerfield, and Jordan, 2020, Essentials of Corporate Finance , 10 th ed., McGraw-Hill. Ross, Westerfield, and Jordan, 2019, Fundamentals of Corporate Finance , 12 th ed., McGraw-Hill. Gitman, Zutter, Elali & Al Roubaie, 2013, Principles of Managerial Finance , AWE, Pearson Education. Brooks, R.M., 2019, Financial Management: Core Concepts , 3rd ed., Pearson Education.
Electronic Materials	Moodle, http://www.arabianbusiness.com ; www.google.com/finance ; www.cnbc.com ; www.tadawul.com.sa; www.investopedia.com
Other Learning Materials	Business Week, Financial Times, WSJ, Arab News

2. Facilities Required

Item	Resources
Accommodation Classrooms, laboratories, demonstration) (rooms/labs, etc)	Enough space and seats to accommodate students.
Technology Resources AV, data show, Smart Board, software.) (etc)	PC or laptop; Camera and audio; Internet; AV, Smart board, Microsoft office, Google Meet, LMS.
Other Resources Specify, e.g. if specific laboratory) equipment is required, list requirements or (attach a list	Any corporate finance textbooks, or any online references

G. Course Quality Evaluation

Evaluation Areas/Issues	Evaluators	Evaluation Methods
Effectiveness of teaching and assessment	Chair/Associate Chair	Class observation – direct method
Effectiveness of teaching and assessment	Students	Course evaluation
Extent of achievement of course learning outcomes	Students	Course exit survey – indirect method

Evaluation Areas/Issues	Evaluators	Evaluation Methods
Quality of final exam papers	Peer reviewer	Moderation of exam papers

Evaluation areas (e.g., Effectiveness of teaching and assessment, Extent of achievement of course learning outcomes, Quality of learning resources, etc.)

Evaluators (Students, Faculty, Program Leaders, Peer Reviewer, Others (specify))

Assessment Methods (Direct, Indirect)

H. Specification Approval Data

Council / Committee	
Reference No.	
Date	