



Grande Prairie Regional College

School of Business

Department: Business Administration and Commerce

COURSE OUTLINE – FALL 2008

BA2030 3(3-0-0) UT – FINANCE I

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Office Hours Wednesday & Friday
10:30 -12:00 or by
appointment

Prerequisite:

BA 1120

Required Text/Resource Materials:

Block, Hirt and Short (2005). Foundations of Financial Management, 7th Canadian Edition, McGraw-Hill Ryerson Limited.

Sharp Business/Financial Calculator (EL-733A)

Description:

The objectives of financial management and the related role and responsibilities of the financial manager are explored. The approach is practical in nature with references to the development of theories in finance. The various sources of funds for a firm are explored using a corporate framework.

Credit/Contact Hours: 3 hours per week

Delivery Mode:

Classroom work will include lectures and discussions of required topics, selected problems, and cases. Students are expected to have read all assigned readings, cases and problems prior to coming to class, and to participate fully in their discussion and analysis

To get the most out of this class, students are expected to read the business news in national papers or on the internet on a regular basis. The papers are available in the Library.

Objectives:

The objectives of the course are:

1. to gain an understanding of the finance function in the business firm within a Canadian context
2. to create an awareness and appreciation of the problems, issues and decisions confronting financial managers today
3. to develop the ability to apply analytical tools in the identification and resolution of financing problems and in financial decision making
4. to identify various corporate financing needs and explore the sources of funds available to meet these needs

Transferability:

CGA and CMA Programs (with BA 2230)

AU (with BA 2230)

This course can be included as part of block transfer agreements with Athabasca University, University of Lethbridge, Thompson Rivers' University (Kamloops), Royal Roads University, Lakeland College (into their Applied Degree in Financial Services program) and Okanagan College. Students should check with the receiving institution concerning transferability as all arrangements are subject to change.

Grading Criteria:

The grading system employed in this course will be:

Quizzes and Assignments	35%
Participation	5%
Midterm Examination	25%
Final Examination	35%

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Grading Conversion Chart

Alpha Grade	4-point Equivalent	Percentage Guidelines	Designation
A ⁺	4	90-100	EXCELLENT
A	4	85-89	
A ⁻	3.7	80-84	FIRST CLASS STANDING
B ⁺	3.3	76-79	
B	3	73-75	GOOD
B ⁻	2.7	70-72	
C ⁺	2.3	67-69	SATISFACTORY
C	2	64-66	
C ⁻	1.7	60 – 63	
D ⁺	1.3	55 – 59	MINIMAL PASS
D	1	50 – 54	
F	0	0 – 49	FAIL

Quizzes and Assignments

There will be a short quiz at the end of each chapter, as well as various hand-in assignments throughout the term. All assignments are expected to be handed in on time

Participation

Each student is expected to come to class having read the material and completing any assignments given. Marks will be based on both attendance and the contribution made to the class

Examinations:

The Midterm Exam will be held after the completion of Chapter 5 scheduled for the week of October 13th. The final exam will be scheduled by the registrar during December exams scheduled between December 10th and December 19th. Plan to be here during that time.

Course Schedule/Timeline:

<u>Week</u>	<u>Topic</u>
September 4	General Introduction
September 8	Chapter 1 and 3
September 15	Chapter 3
September 22	Chapter 4
September 29	Chapter 5
October 6	Chapter 5
October 13	Midterm Examination
October 20	Chapter 6
October 27	Chapter 6
November 3	Chapter 7
November 10	Chapter 7
November 17	Chapter 8
November 24	Chapter 8
December 1	Chapter 9 &10
	Chapter 10 & Course Review

Please note that dates are approximate and may be changed by the instructor to meet the needs of the class.

Statement on Plagiarism:

Plagiarism will not be tolerated. Please ensure you read and understand the College policy on plagiarism as published in the Calendar. If you have any questions as to whether or not you might be violating this policy, please discuss this with your instructor before you submit your assignment. The instructor reserves the right to use electronic plagiarism detection services.