



DEPARTMENT OF Business and Office Administration

COURSE OUTLINE – Fall 2017

BA2030 FINANCE I - 3(3-0-0) UT 45 HOURS

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PREREQUISITE(S)/COREQUISITE:

BA 1120

REQUIRED TEXT/RESOURCE MATERIALS:

Block, Hirt and Short (2012). Foundations of Financial Management, 10th Canadian Edition, McGraw-Hill Ryerson Limited.

Sharp Business/Financial Calculator (EL-733A)

CALENDAR 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(S):

Classroom work will include lectures and discussions of required topics, selected problems, and cases. Students are expected to participate fully in their discussion and analysis.

To get the most out of this class, students are expected to keep current with the business news as this will be integrated into class whenever possible

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

OUTCOMES:

Students will understand the finance function in a firm, with an ability to use analytical tools and find sources of funding for the firm.

TRANSFERABILITY:

CPA Program (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.

** Grade of D or D+ may not be acceptable for transfer to other post-secondary institutions.

Students are cautioned that it is their responsibility to contact the receiving institutions to ensure transferability

GRADING CRITERIA:

The grading system employed in this course will be:

Quizzes and Assignments	35%
Midterm Examination	30%
Final Examination	35%

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GRADING CONVERSION CHART			
Alpha Grade	4-point Equivalent	Percentage Guidelines	Designation
A⁺	4.0	90 – 100	EXCELLENT
A	4.0	85 – 89	
A⁻	3.7	80 – 84	FIRST CLASS STANDING
B⁺	3.3	77 – 79	
B	3.0	73 – 76	GOOD
B⁻	2.7	70 – 72	
C⁺	2.3	67 – 69	SATISFACTORY
C	2.0	63 – 66	
C⁻	1.7	60 – 62	
D⁺	1.3	55 – 59	MINIMAL PASS
D	1.0	50 – 54	
F	0.0	0 – 49	FAIL
WF	0.0	0	FAIL, withdrawal after the deadline

EVALUATIONS:

There will be several short quizzes throughout the term, as well as various hand-in assignments. All assignments are expected to be handed in on time at the beginning of the class in which they are due. Assignments handed in after I have marked and returned the assignments to the class will not be accepted for grading purposes.

Each student is expected to come to class having read the material and completing any assignments given. The Midterm Exam will be held after the completion of Chapter 5 scheduled for the week of October 17 to 21st. The final exam will be scheduled by the registrar during December exams scheduled between December 7th and December 16th. Plan to be here during that time.

STATEMENT ON PLAGIARISM AND CHEATING:

Refer to the Student Conduct section of the College Admission Guide at <http://www.gprc.ab.ca/programs/calendar/> or the College Policy on Student Misconduct: Plagiarism and Cheating at www.gprc.ab.ca/about/administration/policies/**

**Note: all Academic and Administrative policies are available on the same page.

COURSE SCHEDULE/TENTATIVE TIMELINE:

Introduction, Review of Accounting	Chapters One and Two
Financial Analysis	Chapter Three
Financial Forecasting	Chapter Four
Operating and Financial Leverage	Chapter Five
Midterm	
Working Capital and Financing	Chapter Six
Current Asset Management	Chapter Seven
Sources of Short Term Financing	Chapter Eight
Time Value of Money	Chapter Nine
Valuation and The Rates of Return	Chapter Ten
Cost of Capital	Chapter Eleven
Final	