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Financial Management

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Department of Applied Finance

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General Information

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Credit points

10

Prerequisites

50cp at 1000 level or above including ((ACCG100 or ACCG1000 or ACCG106) and (STAT150 or STAT1250 or STAT170 or STAT1170 or STAT171 or STAT1371) and (ACST101 or ACST1001) and (ECON111 or ECON1020))

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

This introductory unit in corporate finance focuses on the financing and investing decisions made by the finance manager of an organisation. While the emphasis is on the theory of the firm, students are also given exposure to current issues affecting corporate finance.

Satisfactory completion of the unit equips students with a grasp of the following principals of financial economics: the relation between risk and expected return and the time value of money. The unit also provides an introductory coverage of derivative securities and no arbitrage valuation in the international finance.

Important Academic Dates

Information about important academic dates including deadlines for withdrawing from units are available at <https://www.mq.edu.au/study/calendar-of-dates>

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:

ULO1: Discuss fundamental aspects of the theory of the firm and outline current issues affecting corporate finance.

ULO2: Explain financing and investing decisions made by finance managers.

ULO3: Demonstrate understanding of the relation between risk and expected return, the time value of money, and valuation of securities via discounted cash flows.

ULO4: Apply fundamental analytical techniques in finance to simple real-life problems.

Assessment Tasks

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

Assessment details are no longer provided here as a result of changes due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Students should consult [iLearn](#) for revised unit information.

[Find out more about the Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) and potential impacts on staff and students](#)

General Assessment Information

It is the responsibility of students to view their marks for each within session assessment on iLearn within 20 working days of posting. If there are any discrepancies, students must contact the unit convenor immediately. Failure to do so will mean that queries received after the release of final results regarding assessment marks (not including the final exam mark) will not be addressed.

Delivery and Resources

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

Any references to on-campus delivery below may no longer be relevant due to COVID-19.

Please check here for updated delivery information: https://ask.mq.edu.au/account/pub/display/unit_status

Classes

- Students should each week attend their allocated lecture of up to two hours duration, and their allocated 55 minute tutorial.
- Tutorials begin in Week 2 and cover material based on the preceding week's lecture topic.

- Students should attend PAL Sessions where necessary to improve their understanding of the material covered.
- Attendance at tutorials is very important for successful completion of assessment tasks in this unit. Tutors keep weekly attendance records. These may be taken into consideration in determining the overall unit result. The tutorial attendance record may also be taken into account in considering applications for supplementary end-of-semester final examinations.
- The timetable for classes can be found on the University web site at:<http://www.timetables.mq.edu.au/>

Prizes

Information on prizes is available at MQ website: www.businessandconomics.edu.au/undergraduate_degrees/prizes_scholarships.

Required and Recommended Texts and/or Materials

Required Text (source for weekly tutorial questions)

The textbook will assist you in the weekly quizzes.

Detailed textbook requirements are available on ilearn

Required Textbook

- Fundamentals of Corporate Finance, Australian 3rd Edition ISBN : 9780730355175 or 9780730363460 (Fundamentals)

Recommended Text

- Fundamentals of Corporate Finance (6th ed.) ISBN 9781743079485 (Ross)
- Multinational Business Finance. Pearson Education Australia. 2nd edition ISBN-10:1442525894; ISBN-13:9781442525894 (Eitman)
- International Financial Management: Sixth Edition ISBN-978-0-07-803465-7 (EUN)

Technology Used and Required

- Financial non-programmable calculators can be used in the unit. A financial calculator is not essential as a scientific non-programmable calculator should meet all your needs (calculation of the Internal Rate of Return (IRR) is not required in any of the assessment tasks). Note: Only non-programmable calculators without text retrieval functionality are allowed for use in the unit's assessments tasks.
- Students should have access to the internet.

Unit Web Page

- Course material and announcements are available on the learning management system (iLearn).
- Students should check iLearn regularly before each lecture, tutorial and assessment.

Learning and Teaching Activities

The unit is delivered through weekly lectures and tutorial classes. Tutorial questions will mostly be sourced from the required textbook. The question numbers that will be discussed in tutorials will be posted to iLearn each week. Students should attempt these questions before tutorials. Brief answers to the tutorial questions will be posted on iLearn after each week.

To achieve the best possible results students should:

- 1) Attend all lectures and tutorial classes, though attendance is not compulsory;
- 2) As it is unlikely that tutors will be able to cover all questions and problems in each tutorial class, students should attempt and complete all assigned questions and problems before attending tutorial classes;
- 3) Tutorial questions and problems are assigned from the required text book;
- 4) Read the assigned chapters of the required text book before attending lectures;
- 5) Download lecture notes from iLearn, which are available weekly before lectures. Ensure these notes are brought to lectures.
- 6) Attend PAL sessions where difficulties are experienced.

Unit Schedule

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

The unit schedule/topics and any references to on-campus delivery below may no longer be relevant due to COVID-19. Please consult [iLearn](#) for latest details, and check here for updated delivery information: https://ask.mq.edu.au/account/pub/display/unit_status

| Week No. | Date (Week Beginning) | Topic | Chapters (Fundamentals unless stated otherwise) |
|----------|--------------------------|--|--|
| 1 | 24 February | Introduction to Financial Management and Risk & Return | 1 & 5 |
| 2 | 2 March | Cash Flows & Capital Budgeting | 9 |
| 3 | 9 March | Evaluating Project Economics and Capital Rationing | 10 |

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| 4 | 16 March | The Cost of Capital | 11 |
| 5 | 23 March | Working Capital Management | 12 |
| 6 | 30 March | Capital Structure Policy | 14 |
| 7 | 6 April | Mid Semester Exam | |
| 8 | 27 April | Dividends & Dividend Policy | 15 |
| 9 | 4 May | Business Formation Growth & Valuation Strategic Financial Planning & Forecasting | 16 & 17 |
| 10 | 11 May | Derivative Securities | Ch. 18 & Ch.20(Ross) |
| 11 | 18 May | International Finance | Ch 19 & Ch. 5 (Eitman) |
| 12 | 25 May | Trade Finance | Ch. 20 (Eun) |
| 13 | 1 June | Revision | |

Policies and Procedures

Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from [Policy Central \(https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central\)](https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central). Students should be aware of the following policies in particular with regard to Learning and Teaching:

- [Academic Appeals Policy](#)
- [Academic Integrity Policy](#)
- [Academic Progression Policy](#)
- [Assessment Policy](#)
- [Fitness to Practice Procedure](#)
- [Grade Appeal Policy](#)
- [Complaint Management Procedure for Students and Members of the Public](#)
- [Special Consideration Policy](#) (**Note:** *The Special Consideration Policy is effective from 4 December 2017 and replaces the Disruption to Studies Policy.*)

Students seeking more policy resources can visit the [Student Policy Gateway \(https://students.mq.edu.au/support/study/student-policy-gateway\)](https://students.mq.edu.au/support/study/student-policy-gateway). It is your one-stop-shop for the key policies you need to know about throughout your undergraduate student journey.

If you would like to see all the policies relevant to Learning and Teaching visit [Policy Central \(https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/p\)](https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/p)

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Student Code of Conduct

Macquarie University students have a responsibility to be familiar with the Student Code of Conduct: <https://students.mq.edu.au/study/getting-started/student-conduct>

Results

Results published on platform other than [eStudent](#), (eg. iLearn, Coursera etc.) or released directly by your Unit Convenor, are not confirmed as they are subject to final approval by the University. Once approved, final results will be sent to your student email address and will be made available in [eStudent](#). For more information visit <ask.mq.edu.au> or if you are a Global MBA student contact globalmba.support@mq.edu.au

Supplementary exams

Information regarding supplementary exams, including dates, is available at: http://www.businessandeconomics.mq.edu.au/current_students/undergraduate/how_do_i/disruption_to_studies

Student Support

Macquarie University provides a range of support services for students. For details, visit <http://students.mq.edu.au/support/>

Learning Skills

Learning Skills (<mq.edu.au/learningskills>) provides academic writing resources and study strategies to help you improve your marks and take control of your study.

- [Getting help with your assignment](#)
- [Workshops](#)
- [StudyWise](#)
- [Academic Integrity Module](#)

The Library provides online and face to face support to help you find and use relevant information resources.

- [Subject and Research Guides](#)
- [Ask a Librarian](#)

Student Services and Support

Students with a disability are encouraged to contact the [Disability Service](#) who can provide appropriate help with any issues that arise during their studies.

Student Enquiries

For all student enquiries, visit Student Connect at <ask.mq.edu.au>

If you are a Global MBA student contact globalmba.support@mq.edu.au

IT Help

For help with University computer systems and technology, visit http://www.mq.edu.au/about_us/offices_and_units/information_technology/help/.

When using the University's IT, you must adhere to the [Acceptable Use of IT Resources Policy](#). The policy applies to all who connect to the MQ network including students.

Changes from Previous Offering

No changes