AFIN3033

Bank Financial Management

Session 2, In person-scheduled-weekday, North Ryde 2026

Department of Applied Finance

Contents

General Information

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Credit points 10
Prerequisites AFIN2050
Corequisites
Co-badged status
Unit description This unit applies finance theory to the context of operational decision-making and risk management in banking and financial intermediation. The major decision areas for banking management are covered within a regulatory and corporate responsibility framework. Major risks of banks and financial intermediation are being examined.

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: Examine the unique services financial institutions offer to households and firms.

ULO2: Explain how banks are regulated and why their risk-taking activities are subject to regulatory oversight.

ULO3: Evaluate the risks which banks face and demonstrate how these risks are managed.

ULO4: Work collaboratively within a team to prepare a business report.

General Assessment Information

Late Assessment Submission Penalty (written assessments)

If you submit your assessment late, 5% of the total possible marks will be deducted for each day (including weekends), up to 7 days. Submissions more than 7 days late will receive a mark of 0.

Example 1 (out of 100): If you score 85/100 but submit 20 hours late, you will lose 5 marks and receive 80/100.

Example 2 (out of 30): If you score 27/30 but submit 20 hours late, you will lose 1.5 marks and receive 25.5/30.

Extensions:

Automatic short extension: Some assessments are eligible for automatic short extension. You can only apply for an

automatic short extension before the due date.

Special Consideration: If you need more time due to serious issues and for any assessments that are not eligible for

Short Extension, you must apply for Special Consideration. Need help? Review the Special Consideration page for further

details.

Assessment Tasks

Name	Weighting	Hurdle	Due	Groupwork/Individual	Short Extension	AI Approach
Professional Practice: Applied bank financial management	30%	No	Due from Tuesday 18th August in tutorial class	Group	No	Open AI
Skills Development: Bank financial management analysis	30%	No	28/10/2026	Individual	Yes	Open AI
Formal examination	40%	No	See central exam timetable	Individual	No	Observed

Professional Practice: Applied bank financial management

Assessment Type [1]: Professional task
Indicative Time on Task [2]: 20 hours
Due: **Due from Tuesday 18th August in tutorial class**
Weighting: **30%**
Groupwork/Individual: Group
Short extension [3]: No

AI Approach: Open AI

The purpose of this assessment is for you to gain expertise in applications in bank financial management.

You will apply frameworks and concepts discussed in the unit to produce a presentation.

Skills in focus:

- Collaboration and communication
- Critical thinking and problem solving

Deliverable(s): Presentation [max 16 minutes] Group assessment

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Examine the unique services financial institutions offer to households and firms.
- Explain how banks are regulated and why their risk-taking activities are subject to regulatory oversight.
- Evaluate the risks which banks face and demonstrate how these risks are managed.
- Work collaboratively within a team to prepare a business report.

Skills Development: Bank financial management analysis

Assessment Type [1]: Problem-based task
Indicative Time on Task [2]: 20 hours
Due: **28/10/2026**
Weighting: **30%**
Groupwork/Individual: Individual
Short extension [3]: Yes
AI Approach: Open AI

The purpose of this assessment is for you to develop your skills in analysing the interest rate risk and market risk for a bank.

You will apply frameworks and concepts discussed in the unit to a bank financial management case study.

Skills in focus:

- Critical thinking and problem solving
- Discipline knowledge

Deliverable(s): Spreadsheet analysis Individual assessment

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Examine the unique services financial institutions offer to households and firms.
- Explain how banks are regulated and why their risk-taking activities are subject to

regulatory oversight.

- Evaluate the risks which banks face and demonstrate how these risks are managed.

Formal examination

Assessment Type [1]: Examination
Indicative Time on Task [2]: 25 hours
Due: **See central exam timetable**
Weighting: **40%**
Groupwork/Individual: Individual
Short extension [3]: No
AI Approach: Observed

The purpose of this assessment is for you to demonstrate the expertise you have gained in this unit.

You will participate in a 2-hour exam held during the University Examination period. Important information about the exam will be made available on the unit iLearn page. You should also review the MQ Exams website for general tips:

Deliverable(s): Formal exam Individual assessment

On successful completion you will be able to:

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[1] If you need help with your assignment, please contact:

- the academic teaching staff in your unit for guidance in understanding or completing this type of assessment
- Academic Success for academic skills support.

[2] Indicative time-on-task is an estimate of the time required for completion of the assessment task and is subject to individual variation.

[3] An automatic short extension is available for some assessments. Apply through the Service Connect Portal.

Delivery and Resources

Teaching materials:

- Slides, PDF, and additional resources: mingze-gao.com/teaching.
- Textbook (not necessary to purchase): Saunders, Cornett and Erhemjamts (2023) Finan

cial Institutions Management ISE, 11th edition.

Unit Schedule

Week	Week date (Tuesday)	Lecture topic	Lectures	Tutorials
1	28-Jul	Introduction to banking and financial intermediation	Yes	No
2	4-Aug	Risks and regulation	Yes	Yes
3	11-Aug	Capital management and adequacy	Yes	Yes
4	18-Aug	Interest rate risk. Group debate in-class presentations (30%) due starting **Tuesday 18th August**	Yes	Yes
5	25-Aug	Market risk	Yes	Yes
6	1-Sep	Credit risk I: individual loan risk	Yes	Yes
7	8-Sep	Credit risk II: loan portfolio and concentration risk	Yes	Yes
8	15-Sep	Liquidity risk	Yes	Yes
Mid-session break from Monday 21st September to Friday 2nd October.			No	No
9	6-Oct	Liability and liquidity management	Yes	Yes
10	13-Oct	Sovereign risk, foreign exchange risk, and off-balance-sheet risk	Yes	Yes
11	20-Oct	Loan sales and securitisation. Professional practice industry analysis (30%) due 23:55 **Monday 28th October**	Yes	Yes
12	27-Oct	Emerging topics in bank risk management	Yes	Yes
13	3-Nov	Review	Yes	Yes

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- Academic Appeals Policy
- Academic Integrity Policy
- Academic Progression Policy
- Assessment Policy
- Fitness to Practice Procedure
- Assessment Procedure
- Complaints Resolution Procedure for Students and Members of the Public

- Special Consideration Policy

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

To find other policies relating to Teaching and Learning, visit Policy Central (https://policies.mq.edu.au) and use the search tool.

Student Code of Conduct

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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 connect.mq.edu.au or if you are a Global MBA student contact globalmba.support@mq.edu.au

Academic Integrity

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Student Support

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

Academic Success

Academic Success provides resources to develop your English language proficiency, academic writing, and communication skills.

- Ask a Study Coach
- Access StudyWISE
- Upload an assignment to Studiosity
- Complete the 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

Macquarie University offers a range of Student Support Services including:

- IT Support
- Accessibility and disability support with study
- Mental health support
- Safety support to respond to bullying, harassment, sexual harassment and sexual assault
- Social support including information about finances, tenancy and legal issues
- Student Advocacy provides independent advice on MQ policies, procedures, and processes

Student Enquiries

Got a question? Ask us via the Service Connect Portal, or contact Service Connect.

IT Help

For help with University computer systems and technology, visit https://students.mq.edu.au/support/technology/service-desk.

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.

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