

Finance (FN)

FN 6300. Special Studies in Finance. 3 Semester Hours.

Selected topics vary from semester to semester. (Semester Offered Varies. Check with Program Director.).

FN 6361. Financial Modeling. 3 Semester Hours.

This course is intended to provide a seminar of the principles associated with the application of information technologies in business organizations. It will cover hardware technologies, software applications, personnel, procedures, and issues associated with management of an information systems function. It will also address the challenges IT managers face managing IT enabled organizations. (Semester Offered Varies. Check with Program Director.).

FN 7365. Financial Management. 3 Semester Hours.

This quantitative M.B.A. core course serves two purposes. It assists the non-financial manager in understanding and using financial information to make decisions related to investing, financial arrangements and operating alternatives. It also will discuss theoretical issues related to capital structure and dividend policy. This course will serve as a foundation for the M.B.A. and more advanced finance courses. (Spring only).

FN 8322. Manager's Guide to Financial Statement Analysis. 3 Semester Hours.

This research course facilitates the judicious use of financial statements and other sources of company financial information in various management decisions. Students examine opportunities for earnings management and management of other information possible in today's regulatory and economic environment, enabling them to identify company reality which is often hidden by allowable reporting choices. Course activities include identifying reporting latitude, exploring recent company attempts at information management, and documenting the relative transparency of company financial information in the US and abroad. Prerequisite: BA6365 or BA7355.

FN 8363. Quantitative Techniques for Finance. 3 Semester Hours.

This course is an introduction to many of the quantitative techniques that are used across a wide spectrum of financial applications. Topics include statistical analysis, asset pricing models, option pricing, and cost of capital, value at risk, duration, convexity, immunization, and portfolio theory. The course includes many Excel exercises and an introduction to VBA programming. Prerequisite: BA7365. QM3320 strongly recommended.

FN 8367. Risk Management and Insurance Planning. 3 Semester Hours.

This course is a review of risk management and insurance concepts and techniques, including personal and business insurance and life and property-liability risks. It covers the fundamentals of insurance, insurance taxation, law, and policy selection.

FN 9311. International Finance. 3 Semester Hours.

This course will deal with the following topics: International trade; currency markets; exchange rate systems; the history of the international monetary system; forward markets, and futures and options markets. Applications to currency hedging, speculation, borrowing, lending, and arbitrage will be explored. The course will conclude with a look at exchange rate parity relationships, bilateral and multilateral netting, and currency forecasting. It is important to understand that a problem solving approach to develop and reinforce theoretical concepts will be utilized throughout the course. Consequently, each class in general will develop the theory, followed by problem solving to illustrate the theory. Each lecture will conclude by highlighting the main conceptual issues developed in the lecture. Several cases will also be assigned during the course. (Semester Offered Varies. Check with Program Director.).