



B.E. International Program

Faculty of Economics, Thammasat University



Course Outline

FN201 Business Finance

Semester 2/2015

Number of credits:	3 credits (3-0-6)
Lecture Time:	Saturday, 1.00 – 4.00 PM
Lecture Venue:	Room 302, 3rd floor, Faculty of Economics
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Office hours:	By appointment

Course Description

This course studies the basic principles of financial management for business as well as the responsibilities of financial managers in order that they can perform their best to maximize the enterprise value. Discussions will cover financial analysis, cash flow analysis, financial planning and control, fundamental analysis on risk and return, time value of money, current asset management, fixed assets investments, allocation and acquisition of funds, short-term and long-term financing, and costs of financing.

Prerequisites: AC201 Fundamental Accounting

Course Objectives

This course aims at developing students to have financial knowledge to deal with many issues in business finance. It will also form a foundation for further finance courses. Key objectives of this subject include:

1. to study the basic principles of financial management for business;
2. to provide an introduction to the theories of finance and decision tools for financial managers;
3. to discuss the fundamental of financial planning and control, investment, and capital financing.

Main Text:

- **BE:** Brigham, E.F., Ehrhardt, M.C., (2011). Financial Management: Theory and Practice. 13th Edition. OH: South-Western.

Other Recommended Book:

- **BMA:** Brealey, R.A., Myers, S.C., Allen, F., (2010). Principles of Corporate Finance. 10th Edition. New York: McGraw-Hill/Irwin.
- Ross, S.A., Westerfield, R.W., Jordan, B.D., (2012). Fundamentals of Corporate Finance. 10th Edition. New York: McGraw-Hill/Irwin.

Tentative Teaching Schedule:

Class	Date (2016)	Topics
1	23 Jan	Lecture 1: Introduction to business finance and financial statements <i>Reading: BE Chapter 1 and 2: BMA Chapter 1</i>
2	30 Jan	Lecture 1: Introduction to business finance and financial statements <i>(Continued)</i>
3	6 Feb	Lecture 2: Financial analysis and planning <i>Reading: BE Chapter 3: BMA Chapter 28 and 29</i>
4	13 Feb	Lecture 3: Working capital management <i>Reading: BE Chapter 16: BMA Chapter 30</i>
5	20 Feb	Lecture 3: Working capital management <i>(Continued)</i>
6	27 Feb	Lecture 4: Time value of money <i>Reading: BE Chapter 4: BMA Chapter 2</i>
7	5 Mar	Lecture 5: Investment criteria and decision <i>Reading: BE Chapter 10: BMA Chapter 5 and 6</i>
8	Saturday, MARCH 12, 2016 MIDTERM EXAMINATION (1.00 – 2.30 PM)	
9	19 Mar	Lecture 6: Valuing bonds and common stocks <i>Reading: BE Chapter 5 and 7: BMA Chapter 3 and 4</i>
10	26 Mar	Lecture 6: Valuing bonds and common stocks <i>(Continued)</i>
11	2 Apr	Lecture 7: Introduction to risk and return and portfolio theory <i>Reading: BE Chapter 6: BMA Chapter 7 and 8</i>
12	9 Apr	Lecture 8: Cost of Capital <i>Reading: BE Chapter 9: BMA Chapter 9</i>
13	23 Apr	Lecture 8: Cost of Capital <i>(Continued)</i>
14	30 Apr	Lecture 9: Capital Structure Decision <i>Reading: BE Chapter 15: BMA Chapter 18</i>
15	7 May	Lecture 9: Capital Structure Decision <i>(Continued)</i>
16	14 May	Lecture 10: Special Issue - Hybrids, derivatives, and risk management <i>Reading: BE Chapter 23 and class handout</i>
17	Thursday, MAY 19, 2016 FINAL EXAMINATION (09.00 AM – NOON)	

Course Evaluation

Type of evaluation	Evaluation Method	Evaluation date
Midterm	Closed-book Examination	Saturday, March 12, 2016 (1.00 – 2.30 PM)
Final	Closed-book Examination	Thursday, May 19, 2016 (09.00 AM – noon)

Class participation	10%
Assignment and/or quiz	20%
Midterm exam	30%
Final exam	40%

Important Dates (2016)

Classes Begin	January 18
Adding and Dropping Courses without Record	January 18- February 1
Mid-term Examination Period	March 7-12
Mid-term Examination	March 12, 2016 (1.00 – 2.30 PM)
Course Withdrawal With "W"	March 23-28
Last Day of Classes	May 14
Final Examination	May 19, 2016 (09.00 AM – noon)