

# RMIN 5950 - Corporate Risk Management

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## I. Text and Material

1. *Risk Assessment*, Baranoff, Harrington, and Niehaus, 1<sup>st</sup> Edition, American Institutes for CPCU/Insurance Institute of America: Malvern, PA (ISBN 978-0-89463-256-6), 2005.
2. *Computer Instructions, Project Assignment, and QuickFlash Corporation*. Distributed in class and available in WebCT.
3. *Lecture Outlines for RMIN 5950*. Available in WebCT.
4. Readings distributed in class or available in WebCT.

## II. Course Description

Prerequisite: RMIN 5100. The operational and financial risks faced by firms and the study of various methods of handling these risks, including loss prevention, risk retention, self-insurance, corporate insurance programs, and capital markets.

## III. Grading

Graded material in this course will consist of the following:

	<u>Point Value</u>
(3) exams (4 given, drop 1)	100 each
project	200
forecasting assignment	25
class participation / mini-cases	25
speakers / other events	<u>25</u>
Total points possible	575

The following percentages of total points from all graded material will be used in determining final grades.

90% - 100% = A	80% - 84.9% = B	70% - 74.9% = C
88% - 89.9% = A-	78% - 79.9% = B-	60% - 69.9% = D
85% - 87.9% = B+	75% - 77.9% = C+	below 60% = F

There will be **no makeup** exams. Three exams will be given during the semester and one during final exam week. Only the three highest scores on the exams will be used in determining the final grade. The fourth exam will be comprehensive.

## IV. Office

My office is Brooks Hall 206 and my telephone number is 706-542-4290. My office hours for the spring semester are Tuesday and Thursday, 8:30-9:15 a.m., 11:00-11:30 a.m., and by appointment. I also can be reached by email at the address [rhoyt@terry.uga.edu](mailto:rhoyt@terry.uga.edu). I encourage you to make frequent use of email since this is an easy way for us to communicate outside of class.

## V. Cheating

Cheating in any form is not acceptable behavior. The student is expected to be familiar with the University's policy regarding academic honesty. This policy is outlined in the handbook, [\*A Culture of Honesty\*](#), which is available from the *Office of the Vice President for Instruction*. Any incidence of suspected cheating will be dealt with through appropriate judicial channels.

**VI. Special Needs**

Any student who feels that he or she may need an accommodation for any sort of disability should consult with me so that arrangements can be made.

**VII. Attendance and Participation**

Students are expected to attend class regularly. A student who incurs an excessive number of absences may be withdrawn from the class at the discretion of the instructor. Please inform me of any situations that require your extended absence from the class. Twenty-five (25) points of the total points for the semester are allocated for attendance and class participation (including mini-case preparation). In addition, 25 points will be assigned for attendance on the days when outside speakers are addressing the class and for attendance at the Insurance Society/GIS Meeting, the UGA Career Fair, the Risk & Insurance Careers Day, the Atlanta RIMS Educational Conference and the Insurance Society/GIS Spring Banquet. I realize that conflicts may prevent you from participating in all of these activities. As a result, five (5) points are assigned for attendance at each event. If you attend at least five out of the possible activities you will receive the full 25 points credit.

You are expected to be punctual in arriving for class. Class starts at 9:30 a.m. sharp. Please inform me of situations that will require you to arrive late for class. Your participation grade will be adjusted to reflect absences and tardiness.

**VIII. WebCT Class**

I have established a WebCT page for this class. From this page you can obtain a copy of the syllabus, view a course calendar, obtain lecture outlines, get assignments, and link to other important pages. To login to the course go to the UGA WebCT main page (<https://webct.uga.edu/>) and follow the links for "Login to MyWebCT".

**IX. Course Outline<sup>+</sup>**

<u>Topic</u>	<u>Readings</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Risk and Risk Management, Objectives and Process	Chapters 1, 2, Readings	Jan. 8-15
Why do individuals manage risk?	Reading	Jan. 20
Why do corporations manage risk?	Readings	Jan. 22
Assessing Property and Net Income Losses	Chapters 3, 10	Jan. 27
<b>** EXAM 1 **</b>	<b>Thursday, January 29, 9:30 a.m.</b>	
Quantitative Analysis in Risk Management	Chapters 11, 12 (Forecasting Assignment)	Feb. 10-17
Loss Control and Cash Flow Analysis	Chapters 13, 14.1-14.11, Reading	Feb. 19
Managing and Marketing an Insurance Program	Reading	Feb. 24
Risk Retention and Finance	Chapter 14.11-14.37, Readings	Feb. 26 -Mar. 3
Enterprise Risk Management	Readings	Mar. 5
<b>** EXAM 2 **</b>	<b>Tuesday, March 17, 9:30 a.m.</b>	
Liability Exposures and Coverages Automobile Exposures and Coverages	Chapters 4, 5, 6.14-6.32, 7	Mar. 19-26
Corporate Governance and Risk Management	Chapter 8	Mar. 31
Workers' Compensation Organization risk from death and disability	Chapters 6.1-6.14, 9 Reading	Apr. 2-9
Property Exposures and Coverages Crime and Transit Exposures	Reading	Apr. 14-16
<b>** EXAM 3 **</b>	<b>Tuesday, April 21, 9:30 a.m.</b>	
Review		Apr. 28
<b>*** PROJECT DUE ***</b>	<b>Wednesday, April 29, 5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Brooks 206</b>
<b>*** FINAL EXAM ***</b>	<b>Thursday, May 7, 8 a.m.</b>	<b>Caldwell 302</b>

<sup>+</sup> outline subject to change

- In-Class Speakers:** Michael Drayer, Aon, Tuesday, February 3  
Others TBA
- Other *FOR-CREDIT* Events:** Tuesday, January, 27 – Spring Insurance Society/GIS Meeting - 7:00 pm
- Wednesday, January 28 - [UGA Career Connections](#) (Classic Center) 12-5 pm
- Tuesday, February 3 - [Risk & Insurance Careers Day](#) (Athens Classic Center)  
— Company Displays: 3:30-6 pm  
— Reception: 6-7 pm
- Thursday, February 5 - [Atlanta RIMS Educational Conference](#)
- April (TBA) - Spring Insurance Society / GIS Banquet
- Important Dates & Deadlines:**
- Friday, January 16 - [Resume Book Deadline](#)
- Friday, January 16 - [Spring Scholarship Application Deadline](#)
- March 9 – March 13 - Spring Break
- Tuesday, March 24 – Withdrawal Date for Spring Semester
- Thursday, April 30 – Spring Semester Classes End
- Saturday, May 9 – Spring Semester Commencement