

**Master syllabus Elements:**

**a) FINA 7010-Financial Management**

**b) Course description** – Intensive analysis of financial decision-making in the firm, emphasizing both investment and financing decisions. Analytical tools of finance are introduced. Valuation concepts, risk-return analysis, project valuation, capital structure, and corporate financing.

**c) Prerequisites, corequisites, and cross-listings for the course** – None.

**d) Course objectives or expected learning outcomes** – This course is designed to provide the student with an introduction to the field of finance. Much of the course focuses on the responsibilities, concerns and methods of analysis employed by corporate financial managers as well as on the role of financial markets and institutions in our economy. The course includes the application of financial theory to contemporary examples to help you understand the many fundamental changes in the financial markets in recent years. This course serves as a starting point for more detailed discussions of specialized areas of finance.

**e) Topical outline** –

- Introduction to financial management
- Time value of money and valuation
- Capital budgeting decisions
- Capital market theory-Risk and return
- Capital structure and dividend policy
- Options and corporate finance

**f) University Honor Code and Academic Honesty Policy** – UGA Student Honor Code: “I will be academically honest in all of my academic work and will not tolerate academic dishonesty of others.” *A Culture of Honesty*, the University’s policy and procedures for handling cases of suspected dishonesty, can be found at [www.uga.edu/ovpi](http://www.uga.edu/ovpi).

**g) The course policy is a general plan for the course; deviations announced to the class by the instructor may be necessary.**

## Class Syllabus Elements:

### h) Principal course assignments –

This course will provide students with an overview of both the theory and practical application of corporate financial decision making. Specific topics that we will cover include: understanding basic financial statements, present value concepts, stock and bond valuations, capital budget decisions, capital structure and corporate finance decisions, and the trade-off between risk and return.

## Tentative Outline of Topics and Assignments

### FINA 7010 Course Schedule Fall 2009

#### Date:

August 18th

August 20th

August 25th

August 27th

September 1st

September 3rd

September 8th

September 10th

September 15th

September 17th

September 22nd

September 24th

September 29th

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October 6th

**October 8th**

October 13th

October 15th

October 20th

October 22nd

October 27<sup>th</sup>

October 29th

November 3<sup>rd</sup>

November 5<sup>th</sup>

November 10<sup>th</sup>

November 12<sup>th</sup>

November 17<sup>th</sup>

November 19<sup>th</sup>

**December 1<sup>st</sup>**

**December 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**December 11<sup>th</sup>**

#### Assignment:

Introduction, Syllabus, Chapter 1: The Corporation

Chapter 2: Introduction to Financial Statement Analysis

Chapter 2

Chapter 3: Arbitrage & Financial Decision Making

Chapter 3

Chapter 4: The Time Value of Money

Chapter 4

Chapter 5: Interest Rates

Chapter 6: Investment Decision Rules

Chapter 6

No Class

Guest Lecture

Chapter 7: Fundamentals of Capital Budgeting

Chapter 7

Review for Exam I (Chapters 1,2,3,4,5,6,7)

**Exam I (Chapters 1,2,3,4,5,6,7)**

Review Exam I, Chapter 8: Valuing Bonds

Chapter 9: Valuing Stocks

Chapter 9

Chapter 12: The Capital Asset Pricing Model

Chapter 12

Chapter 14: Capital Structure in a Perfect Market

Chapter 14

Chapter 28: Mergers and Acquisitions

Chapter 28

Chapter 31: International Corporate Finance

Chapter 31

Review for Exam II (Chapters 8,9,12,14,28,31)

**Exam II (Chapters 8,9,12,14,28,31)**

**Review Exam II, Project Presentations**

**Project Presentations (12:00-3:00 PM)**

## FINA 7010 Questions and Problems

<u>Chapter:</u>	<u>Assignments:</u>
Ch. 1	None
Ch. 2	4,5,6,10,16,17.
Ch. 3	3,4,6,7,9,10.
Ch.4	3,6,7,8,18,22,27.
Ch. 5	1,2,5,6,13.
Ch. 6	1,2,3,4,14.
Ch .7	1,2,3,4,8,9.
Ch. 8	1,2,6,8,9,10,24.
Ch. 9	1,3,5,7,9,13.
Ch. 12	2,3,4,6,7,18.
Ch. 14	1,2,3,7,8,10.
Ch. 28	2,3,4,8,9,10.
Ch. 31	1,2,3,5,6.

### **Financial Management Short Project** (PP Presentation)\*

State clearly the nature of the business issue that is being explored.

Why is the issue important to the company?

What finance technique is being used?

How was the data collected?

What comparisons with other information were used, if any?

Conclusions drawn, actions taken.

Any issues remaining

All Teams present and bring one hard copy of presentation for me.

\* First slide should include title of presentation and team members' names.

**i) Specific course requirements for grading purposes** – There will be two exams during the semester which will account for 90% of the final grade. Class participation and a project will account for 10%. Exams will be closed book. I will tell you which formulas I will provide and which ones you need to know. You may use a financial calculator-no programmable calculators or computers will be allowed for the exams.

**j) Grading policy** – The final grade will be based on the total points earned on the two exams and the team project presentation, weighted as indicated above.

**k) Attendance policy** – There is no attendance policy. However, please make every effort to attend all classes. You are responsible for what is covered in class whether you are present or not.

**l) Required course material** –

- Textbook: *Corporate Finance*, Berk and DeMarzo, 2007, Pearson/Addison Wesley
- *My Financial Lab*-**optional**
- Financial Calculator (eg. TI, BA II Plus)

**m) Policy for make-up of examinations** – There will be no make-up tests given except those approved beforehand by me.

**Office Hours-**

Tuesday, Thursday 9:30 AM-11:00 AM and by appointment.