

FINANCE (FIN)

FIN 251. Personal Finance

Credits: 3

Typically Offered: FALLSUM

Evaluate and apply personal finance methods. Understand how to plan, implement, and control cash flows for personal and household living. Cash, credit card and debt management strategies would be discussed. Understand the importance of creating an Emergency Fund. Design and apply personal plans for saving and investing. Understand the importance of insurance to provide personal and household protection. Review the importance of a retirement plan, today.

FIN 320. Financial Markets and Institutions

Credits: 3

Prerequisite: FIN 326.

Typically Offered: SPRING

This course provides understandings of why financial markets exist, how financial institutions serve these markets, and what services those institutions offer.

FIN 326. Business Finance

Credits: 3

Prerequisite: ACCT 201.

Typically Offered: FALLSPR

Introduces the student to the essentials of financial management. Coverage includes financial analysis, working capital management, capital budgeting, cost of capital, dividend policy and long term financing decisions.

FIN 336. Advanced Financial Management

Credits: 3

Prerequisite: FIN 326.

Typically Offered: FALLSPR

Integrated coverage of topics in financial management theory and practice. Includes risk and return, securities valuation, corporate valuation, cost of capital, capital budgeting, financial planning and forecasting, capital structure, and working capital management. Topics will be discussed from the financial managers and investors viewpoint.

FIN 337. Investments

Credits: 3

Prerequisite: FIN 326.

Typically Offered: FALL

This course studies the concepts and evidence relevant to investments and the management of investment portfolios. Topics include investigating assets and investment alternatives and allocation, diversification, portfolio optimization given risk tolerance, risk and return, active and passive strategies, security valuations, and income tax management. Introduces students to today's most important investment topics.

FIN 403. Money, Banking and Financial Markets

Credits: 3

Prerequisites: ECON 202 and FIN 326.

Typically Offered: FALL

Investigation of the financial system and money, interest rates, term structure, analysis of financial institutions, central banking and monetary policy, and international finance and monetary policy.

FIN 480. Financial Modeling

Credits: 3

Prerequisites: FIN 336, and FIN 337.

Typically Offered: SPRING

This course presents various strategies to model accounting and financial issues for planning and forecasting. Students will determine the relevant issues and informational constraints and determine if a spreadsheet model or financial modeling software would be the better approach. Learn how to identify relevant issues and define and structure needed. Identify inputs and output variables, understand financial and mathematical aspects, design models or acquire models as appropriate, create financial models, develop scenario and real options features, stress test model, protect the model, write the documentation needed for users, and professionally present results.

FIN 487. Cases in Finance and Risk

Credits: 3

Prerequisites: FIN 336, and FIN 337.

Typically Offered: SPRING

Topics related to strategic management, financial management, risk, and related case studies. This is the capstone course in the BAS Finance degree.