



DAVIS UNIVERSITY

COURSE SYLLABUS

ACC410: INTRODUCTION TO CORPORATE FINANCE

SUMMER QUARTER 2025

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CREDIT HOURS: 5 CREDITS

INSTRUCTOR:

INSTRUCTOR EMAIL:

INSTRUCTOR OFFICE HOURS:

COURSE DESCRIPTION: Students will be introduced to the methods and concepts used by corporate financial managers to make profitable investment decisions. Topics such as venture capital, valuation, risks and returns, financial strategy, mergers and acquisitions, management communication, business law and dividend returns are examined in this class. Students will also learn how companies raise money for investments and the risks associated with those endeavors.

PREREQUISITES: ACC101 Accounting Principles I, ACC102 Accounting Principles II, MTH102 Introductory Algebra I, MTH301 Calculus I

COURSE LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of the course, the student will be able to:

1. Understand and apply the principles and techniques of financial management.
2. Advance and sharpen analytic skills in financial management.
3. Apply financial management knowledge and skills to making decisions in corporations.

TEXT: *Corporate Finance*, 12th Edition by Stephen Ross and Randolph Westerfield and Jeffrey Jaffe and Bradford Jordan. Published October 12, 2018

LATE WORK POLICY: All students are expected to submit homework assignments on time. No late homework will be accepted and the student will receive a “0” (zero) for the homework assignment. Should the student refuse to complete the assigned work for the class, it could result in the student failing the class. All work assigned is expected to be completed on the date assigned. The instructor reserves the right to alter the schedule as necessary.

PLAGIARISM AND COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT POLICY: Work that is found to be plagiarized receives a grade of zero and often causes a student to fail a class. Documentation of plagiarism is added to the student’s academic file as a violation of accepted student conduct and is subject to disciplinary action. Plagiarism is the use of another person’s exact words, or their ideas written in the student’s words without giving the original author credit.

Plagiarism can result from any of the following:

- Quote material directly without using quotation marks.
- Paraphrase the original so that many of the phrases are the same as the original. A good rule is no more than 3 or 4 words in a row should be the same as the original.
- Copy the original sentence pattern, substitution synonyms for key words.
- Neglect to indicate the source of the original material.

ASSESSMENTS:

Content

Exams	50%
Discussions	20%
Assignments	20%
Participation	10%
Total	100%

COURSE GRADE: A = 93%-100%

B = 85%-92%

C = 77%-84%

D = 70%-76%

F = below 70%

TENTATIVE CLASS SCHEDULE:

(Subject to change)

Week: Date	Content Covered	Assignments & Assessment Due
Week 1:	Introduction to Corporate Finance Financial Statements and Cash Flow Financial Statements Analysis and Financial Models Discounted Cash Flow Valuation Net Present Value and Other Investment Rules	
Week 2:	Making Capital Investment Decisions Risk Analysis, Real Options, and Capital Budgeting Interest Rates and Bond Valuation Stock Valuation Lessons from Market History	
Week 3:	Return, Risk, and the Capital Asset Pricing Model An Alternative View of Risk and Return Risk, Cost of Capital, and Valuation Efficient Capital Markets and Behavioral Challenges Long-Term Financing	Midterm Exam- Friday
Week 4:	Capital Structure Capital Structure Valuation and Capital Budgeting for the Levered Firm Dividends and Other Payouts Raising Capital	
Week 5:	Leasing Options and Corporate Finance Options and Corporate Finance: Extensions and Applications Warrants and Convertibles Derivatives and Hedging Risk	Final Exam- Friday