



Grande Prairie Regional College

School of Business

Department: Business Administration and Commerce

COURSE OUTLINE – FALL 2006

BA2030 3(3-0-0) UT – FINANCE I

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Office Hours Mondays & Wednesdays
10:00 -11:30 or by
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Prerequisite:

BA 1120

Required Text/Resource Materials:

Block, Hirt and Short (2005). Foundations of Financial Management, 7th Canadian Edition, McGraw-Hill Ryerson Limited.

Sharp Business/Financial Calculator (EL-733A)

Description:

The objectives of financial management and the related role and responsibilities of the financial manager are explored. The approach is practical in nature with references to the development of theories in finance. The various sources of funds for a firm are explored using a corporate framework.

Credit/Contact Hours: 3 hours per week

Delivery Mode:

Classroom work will include lectures and discussions of required topics, selected problems, and cases. Students are expected to have read all assigned readings, cases and problems prior to coming to class, and to participate fully in their discussion and analysis

Students are expected to read the business news in national papers or on the internet on a regular basis. The papers are available in the Library.

Objectives:

The objectives of the course are:

1. to gain an understanding of the finance function in the business firm within a Canadian context
2. to create an awareness and appreciation of the problems, issues and decisions confronting financial managers today
3. to develop the ability to apply analytical tools in the identification and resolution of financing problems and in financial decision making
4. to identify various corporate financing needs and explore the sources of funds available to meet these needs

Transferability:

CGA and CMA Programs (with BA 2030)
AU (with BA 2030)

This course can be included as part of block transfer agreements with Athabasca University, University of Lethbridge, Thompson Rivers' University (Kamloops), Royal Roads University, Lakeland College (into their Applied Degree in Financial Services program) and Okanagan College. Students should check with the receiving institution concerning transferability as all arrangements are subject to change.

Grading Criteria:

The grading system employed in this course will be:

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| Quizzes and Assignments | 30% |
| Participation | 10% |
| Midterm Examination | 25% |
| Final Examination | 35% |

Grades will be assigned on the Letter Grading System.

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Grading Conversion Chart

| Alpha Grade | 4-point Equivalent | Percentage Guidelines | Designation |
|----------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| A⁺ | 4 | 95 – 100 | EXCELLENT |
| A | 4 | 90 – 94 | |
| A⁻ | 3.7 | 85 – 89 | FIRST CLASS STANDING |
| B⁺ | 3.3 | 80 – 84 | |
| B | 3 | 76 – 79 | GOOD |
| B⁻ | 2.7 | 72 – 75 | |
| C⁺ | 2.3 | 68 – 71 | SATISFACTORY |
| C | 2 | 64 – 67 | |
| C⁻ | 1.7 | 60 – 63 | |
| D⁺ | 1.3 | 55 – 59 | MINIMAL PASS |
| D | 1 | 50 – 54 | |
| F | 0 | 0 – 49 | FAIL |

Quizzes and Assignments

The term work will consist of quizzes and hand-in assignments. All assignments are expected to be handed in on time

Participation

Each student is expected to come to class having read the material and completing any assignments given. Marks will be based on both attendance and the contribution made to the class

Examinations:

The Midterm Exam will be held after the completion of Chapter 5 scheduled for the week of October 16th. The final exam will be scheduled by the registrar during December exams.

Course Schedule/Timeline:

| <u>Week</u> | <u>Topic</u> |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|
| September 7 | General Introduction |
| September 11 | Chapter 1 and 3 |
| September 18 | Chapter 3 |
| September 25 | Chapter 4 |
| October 2 | Chapter 5 |
| October 9 | Chapter 5 |
| October 16 | Midterm Examination |
| | Chapter 6 |
| October 23 | Chapter 6 |
| October 30 | Chapter 7 |
| November 6 | Chapter 7 |
| November 13 | Chapter 8 |
| November 20 | Chapter 8 |
| November 27 | Chapter 9 &10 |
| December 4 | Chapter 10 & Course Review |

Please note that dates are approximate and may be changed by the instructor to meet the needs of the class.

Statement on Plagiarism:

Plagiarism will not be tolerated. Please ensure you read and understand the College policy on plagiarism as published in the Calendar. If you have any questions as to whether or not you might be violating this policy, please discuss this with your instructor before you submit your assignment. The instructor reserves the right to use electronic plagiarism detection services.