

FINC 221 Banking

This course offers a comprehensive exploration of the banking industry, focusing on roles, functions, financial products, regulations, and risk management. Students will develop a deep understanding of banking operations, including Islamic banking principles and financial innovations, within the context of Bahrain's banking landscape. Through simulations and real-life scenarios, learners will apply financial concepts to evaluate bank performance, assess risks, and explore banking trends. By the end of the course, students will possess the skills, competencies, and knowledge necessary for success in the dynamic and evolving field of banking. *(Prerequisite: FINC 201) (3 credits)*

Course Learning Outcomes:

By the end of the course, students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate detailed knowledge and understanding of the roles, functions and ranges of financial products of different types of banks and banking regulations.
2. Apply financial concepts related to managing a bank to real-life scenarios in a simulation environment
3. Analyse bank's performance using balance sheet and income statements and assess the key risks faced by banks
4. Investigate banking trends in Bahrain in relation to Islamic Banking and Financial innovations.
5. Produce a clear and concise written report reflecting on the performance and experiences of managing a bank in a simulation environment.
6. Demonstrate the ability to work in a team to prepare and present a project in the field of banking.

Textbook & Course Materials:

- *Casu, B., Girardone, C., & Molyneux, P. (2022). Introduction to banking. Pearson.*

Course Content:

1. What is Special About Banks?
2. Bank Activities and Services
3. Types of Banking
4. Islamic Banking
5. Central Banking
6. Bank Regulation and Supervision
7. Bank Balance Sheets
8. Bank Financial Management
9. Banking Risk and Risk Management