

FINC 311 Corporate Finance

The aim of the unit is to introduce students to the theory and application of why and how value enhancing corporate financial decisions are made and implemented. With the emphasis on publicly listed companies, topics covered include the corporate objective of management, investment evaluation models, project analysis and evaluation, sources and types of funding, issues in risk and return, asset pricing models, issues in capital structure and dividend policy and the efficiency of capital markets. The unit is designed to ensure students with the necessary skill set for making value-changing financial decisions to maximize firm value. *(Prerequisite: FINC 231) (3 credits)*

Course Learning Outcomes:

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

1. Demonstrate advanced knowledge of concepts and theories related to corporate finance, such as capital budgeting, capital market, cost of capital and financial structure, etc. and their importance in financial decisions.
2. Apply advanced financial risk management techniques to evaluate risk and make informed recommendations.
3. Use a range of approaches and techniques (derivatives, degree of operating, financial, and total leverage) to solve problems related to corporate finance.
4. Critically analyze various financial data such as historical data and relevant variables to evaluate risk and return.
5. Communicate with professional-level peers, senior colleagues, and specialists to demonstrate and debate current financial issues.
6. Demonstrate the ability to work professionally in groups to present managerial problems and issues.

Textbook & Course Materials:

- Ross, S. A., Westerfield, R. W., Jordan, B. D., Roberts, G. S., Pandes, J. A., & Holloway, T. A. (2019). *Fundamentals of Corporate Finance 10th Canadian ed.* McGraw Hill.

Course Content:

1. Investment Criteria
2. Making Capital Investment Decisions
3. Project Analysis and Evaluation
4. Raising Capital
5. Capital Structure Policy
6. Pay-out Policy
7. Short-term Finance and Planning
8. Enterprise Risk Management