

Course E-Syllabus

1	Course title	Special Topics in Finance
2	Course number	1633770
3	Credit hours	3
	Contact hours (theory, practical)	3
4	Prerequisites/corequisites	Corporate Finance
5	Program title	MBA Finance
6	Program code	03
7	Awarding institution	University of Jordan
8	School	Business School
9	Department	Finance
10	Level of course	Masters
11	Year of study and semester (s)	2020-21 First
12	Final Qualification	MBA Finance
13	Other department (s) involved in teaching the course	
14	Language of Instruction	English
15	Teaching methodology	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Blended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Online
16	Electronic platform(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moodle <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Microsoft Teams <input type="checkbox"/> Skype <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zoom <input type="checkbox"/> Others.....
17	Date of production/revision	25/10/2020

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19 Other instructors:

20 Course Description:

As stated in the approved study plan.

The contents of this course include a myriad of topics not covered in existing textbook-based courses. The course incorporates a number of economics, corporate finance, investment, and banking topics of current relevance and interest.

21 Course aims and outcomes:

A- Aims:

By the end of the course, candidates should be able to:

Develop solid economic and financial methods of thinking about various contemporary issues and topics of finance and financial economics.

B- Intended Learning Outcomes (ILOs):

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

By the end of the course, candidates should be able to:

1. Carry-out research about various economic, finance and banking issues.
2. Participate in discussions in an effective manner.

22. Topic Outline and Schedule:

Week	Lecture	Topic	Teaching Methods*/platform	Evaluation Methods**	References
1	1.1	Part One: Macroeconomics and Role of Fiscal Policy	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	1.2	Fiscal Policy for Growth and Development	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	1.3	On Graduation from Fiscal Pro-cyclicality”, Journal of Development Economics	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
2	2.1	A Solidarity Tax to Address the Impact of COVID-19 on Poverty in the Arab Region	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	2.2	Trust in Government Institutions and Tax Morale”, International Center for Public Policy Working Paper	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	2.3	Trust in Government Institutions and Tax Morale”, International Center for Public Policy Working Paper	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
3	3.1	Part Two: Finance and Development	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	3.2	Financial Development and Economic Growth:	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List

		Views and Agenda			
	3.3	Introducing a New Broad-Based Index of Financial Development	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
4	4.1	Institutional Determinants of Financial Development in MENA Countries	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	4.2	Determinants of Stock Market Development	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	4.3	The Determinants of Financial Inclusion in Egypt	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
5	5.1	Financial Inclusion – Issues for Central Banks	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	5.2	Part Three: Corporate Finance The Practice of Corporate Finance	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	5.3	Does the Stock Market Affect Investment by Chinese Firms	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
6	6.1	Determinants of Capital Structure	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	6.2	Part Four: Banking & Stock Market Issues	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	6.3	Reforms and Interest Rate Spreads in the Commercial Banking System	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List

7	7.1	Reforms and Interest Rate Spreads in the Commercial Banking	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	7.2	Reforms and Interest Rate Spreads in the Commercial Banking	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	7.3	Reforms and Interest Rate Spreads in the Commercial Banking	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
8	8.1	Determinants of Bank Interest Margins	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	8.2	Determinants of Bank Interest Margins	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	8.3	Determinants of Bank Interest Margins	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
9	9.1	Framework for Analyzing Competition in the Banking Sector: An Application to the Case of Jordan	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	9.2	Framework for Analyzing Competition in the Banking Sector: An Application to the Case of Jordan	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	9.3	Framework for Analyzing Competition in	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List

		the Banking Sector: An Application to the Case of Jordan			
10	10.1	On the Bid-Ask Spread in the Jordanian Banking Sector: What are the Implications	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	10.2	On the Bid-Ask Spread in the Jordanian Banking Sector: What are the Implications	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	10.3	On the Bid-Ask Spread in the Jordanian Banking Sector: What are the Implications	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
11	11.1	On the Bid-Ask Spread in the Jordanian Banking Sector: What are the Implications	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	11.2	Stock Market Development and Economic Growth	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	11.3	Stock Market Development and Economic Growth	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
12	12.1	Stock Market Development and Economic Growth	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	12.2	Stock Market Development and Economic Growth	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	12.3	Stock Market Development and Economic Growth	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
13	13.1	Trust in Banks	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	13.2	Trust in Banks	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	13.3	Trust in Banks	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List

14	14.1	Trust in Banks	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	14.2	Trust in Banks	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	14.3	Trust in Banks	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
15	15.1	Review	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	15.2	Review	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List
	15.3	Review	Zoom & MS Teams	Participation & Discussion	Textbook & Reading List

- Teaching methods include: Synchronous lecturing/meeting; Asynchronous lecturing/meeting
- Evaluation methods include: Homework, Quiz, Exam, pre-lab quiz...etc

23 Evaluation Methods:

Opportunities to demonstrate achievement of the ILOs are provided through the following assessment methods and requirements:

Evaluation Activity	Mark	Topic(s)	Period (Week)	Platform
Short Exams	60	TBA	6 & 9	Moodle
Final Exam	40	TBA	16	Moodle

24 Course Requirements (e.g: students should have a computer, internet connection, webcam, account on a specific software/platform...etc):

students should have a computer, internet connection

25 Course Policies:

A- Attendance policies: Students are not allowed to miss more than 15% of the classes during the semester. Failing to meet this requirement will be dealt with according to the university disciplinary rules.

- B- Absences from exams and submitting assignments on time: No makeup exams will be held
- C- Health and safety procedures: According to the university health policies
- D- Honesty policy regarding cheating, plagiarism, misbehavior: According to the university rules and regulations
- E- Grading policy: Based on the university grading policies
- F- Available university services that support achievement in the course:

26 References:

- A- Required book(s), assigned reading and audio-visuals:

Subramanyam, K. “Financial Statement Analysis”, 11th edition.
- B- Recommended books, materials and media:

27 Additional information:

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