QF 214106: Financial Management Fall 2018 Course Syllabus

Fall 2018 undergraduate course: 3 credits Class hours: Tue. 2:20 pm – 5:10 pm Office hours: Tue. 10:00 am – 12:00 am and by appointment (please contact with TA firstly) Instructor: Pei-Fang Hsieh Office: 台積館 744R Office phone: 62132 Email: <u>pfhsieh@mx.nthu.edu.tw</u>

Course Descriptions

This is an introductory course of corporate finance. The course has four main topics:

- 1. Understanding of basic concept of corporate finance and financial statement analysis;
- 2. Develop an understanding of the tools that are used to value investment projects and companies;
- 3. Build a basic concept and measurement of financial risk and return;
- 4. Introductions of firms' long-term financing instruments, such as stock, bond and other long-term financing tools.
- 5. Introduction of efficient capital markets.

Course Objective

- 1. Students will be equipped with professional writing skills and reading ability.
- 2. Students will learn the fundamental concepts of corporate financial management.
- 3. Students will acquire a theoretical framework of the financial management and apply it to real business decisions.

Course Textbook

Text Book

Ross, S.A., R.W. Westerfield, J.F. Jaffe and B.D. Jordan, Corporate Finance, 11th ed., McGraw-Hill. (華泰代理)

Course Requirements

Course lecture and participation

This course will be proceeding by course lecture once a week in class hours. The lecture notes are mostly based on this book. The relevant chapters are indicated in the course schedule. The course schedule could be adjusted according to your learning achievement. This textbook can be used as background reading for those of you who wish to read ahead of the lecture or dig deeper into the material. The score of course participation will be graded by the performance of your interpretation in our class discussion. This course will use the iLMS system of NTHU. I will upload the lecture on every Thursday night at latest. It is your responsibility to check the site regularly for class announcements and materials. *Please no any types of computer, phone and chit chat in my class. Violation will damage your score of course participation*.

Case study

We will cover one case study in this class. I will announce in class when you should start working on a case study. The case is group project. Each group is no more than 5 people. You can choose your group yourself. Please set up your own group and email course teaching assistant a group member list before the end of the third week. If you have trouble finding a group, let me know and I will assign you to a group. You should hand on a formal report for each case study. The due date of case study is on **the last Friday of semester**. You can hand teaching assistant a paper or mail the file before the due date, but no late reports will be accepted.

Exams

There are three exams in this course. The formats are multiple choices covered the contents of class lectures and textbook, the concept problems from the "Concept Questions" and calculating problems selected from the "Questions and Problems" at the end of each chapter we have covered. All the class requirement can be adjusted during the semester with prior notice.

Grading

Class Participation	10%
Case Study	10%
First Midterm Exam	25%
Second Midterm Exam	25%
Final Exam	30%