

Risk Management – Fin 5316
Syllabus
Spring 2016

General Information

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Class Meetings

T 5:30 – 9:30 – Rm GBC – 520A
S 8:00 – 12:00 – Rm GBC – 520A

Course Materials

- Futures and Options Markets, by John Hull, 8th ed.
ISBN 978-0-13-299334-0
- Course Notes will be posted online for download
- Financial Calculator: BA II + is recommended, or laptop computer
- Excel
- Financial Blogs and web sites to visit: finance.yahoo.com, moneycentral.msn.com
- It is recommended to bring a computer or other device that can run excel for each class

Objectives

The objective of this class will be on the application of options and futures contracts use to mitigate financial risk.

Exams

There will be two exams. Each exam will be worth 300 points.

Projects

8 excel based class projects are required. They will be detailed in class. Video links will be available as a guide to completing the projects.

Point Breakdown

Projects

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| -2 Exams (300, each) | 600 |
| -Sharpe Portfolio | 100 |
| -Portfolio Eval | 50 |
| -VaR model | 100 |
| -EWMA estimate | 100 |
| -E-Mini Cross Hedge | 50 |
| -Option Trade | 50 |
| -Future option and option hedge | 50 |
| -Implied Volatility | 100 |

Total Points 1200

Grading is on a straight scale 90 – A, 80 – B, 70 – C, ...

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Schedule

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| April 19 | Chp 20 VaR | Shrp Port Due Apr 23 |
| April 23 | Var Sprd Sheets, Chp 2 | Port Eval Due Apr 26, VaR Mod Apr 30 |
| April 26 | Chp 3 | EWMA due May 3 |
| April 30 | Chp 5 | E-mini hedge Due May 10 |
| May 3 | Chp 9 | |
| May 7 | Exam 1 | |
| May 10 | Chp 10 | Implied Volatility Due May 14 |
| May 14 | Chp 11 | Option Trade Due May 21 |
| May 17 | Chp 12 | Futures Option Hedge Due May 28 |
| May 21 | Chp 16 | |
| May 24 | Chp 17 | |
| May 28 | Exam 2 | |