



**Money & Capital Markets (FIN-3325-001 CRN:24507)**  
**Spring 2023 (Jan 17 - May 04, 2023)**

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**Lecture Location:** College of Business 312  
**Class Hours:** 4:30 - 5:50 pm, TR  
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and by appointment

**Course Description:** Analysis of the instruments and institutions of the money and capital markets and emphasis on the roles of these markets in the economy.

**Textbook (Required):** Financial Markets and Institutions, 8<sup>th</sup> Edition, By Saunders, Cornett and Ehemjamts; ISBN13: 9781260772401

**Financial Calculators:** A financial calculator (TI-83, TI-83 Plus, TI-84, TI-84 Plus, TI BA II Plus Professional, HP 10B, HP 12, or other programmable Graphic Calculator with a Finance or Application keypad) is highly recommended. Your calculator should be able to compute the net present value (NPV) and the internal rate of return (IRR) on an uneven stream of cash flows.

**Grading:**

**Grade Calculation**

Schedule 1		Schedule 2	
Course Requirements	Weight	Course Requirements	Weight
Homework	21%	Homework	21%
Module 1 Exam	23%	Final Exam	69%
Module 2 Exam	23%		
Module 3 Exam	23%		
Group Project Presentation	10%	Group Project Presentation	10%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Letter Grade**

Letter	A	B	C	D	F
Range %	90 - 100%	80 - 89	70 - 79	60 - 69	59 or less

**Grade Remark:**

- 1) **Grade Dispute:** Grade appeals must be submitted to me, in writing, within one week after the assignment is returned to the student. This written appeal should contain a description of the assignment question, the student's answer, and a detailed objection to the current grade. Please submit this appeal along with the graded assignment that is in dispute.
- 2) **Schedule 2:** Schedule 2 is only available to students who have taken three module exams but would like to improve their grades. Schedule 2 could only improve students' grades by one entire letter grade. If a student's letter grade is D/F according to Schedule 1, the best grade the student

could get via Schedule 2 is C. if a student's letter grade is C according to Schedule 1, the best grade the student could get via Schedule 2 is B.

**Attendance:** Although there is no attendance point for this class, students are strongly encouraged to attend each class session and participate in class discussions. Students who attend class regularly perform substantially better in exams than those who do not.

**Homework:** Homework assignments are collected and graded via Blackboard. Homework solutions will be available via Blackboard.

**Module Exams:** The module exams are NOT cumulative. The exams will be based on assigned readings, lectures, weekly quizzes, and module problem sets. There will also be a final exam. The highest of the average of the three in-term exams or the final exam will be counted as the grade for exams.

**Final Exam:** There will also be a final exam available to students who want to improve their grades based on Schedule 1. The final exam is cumulative.

**Group Projects:** The group projects are due at the beginning of class on the day of the due date or beforehand unless otherwise announced. It is your responsibility to find group members and create a group. Each group should have four (4) to (5) students. **If you cannot join a group, you must notify the course professor before the Module 1 exam.** One student from each group will electronically submit the group project in MS Word and PowerPoint via Blackboard. The group will title the documents "*THE SENDER'S NAME* – ProjectX – DOC" and "*THE SENDER'S NAME* – ProjectX – PPT," respectively. The names of all the group members will appear on the title page. The readability of these documents is the group's responsibility. Failure to follow these instructions will result in a reduction in your course grade. Specifically, submitting an individual instead of a group project will automatically reduce one full letter grade (10 percentage points).

#### **Email Communications**

If you want to send me an email, please use the UTEP email. The title of the email should be "*FIN-3325 – Problem X*".

#### **Important Notes:**

1. If you have any trouble with the class, please get help ASAP. Do not let the problems build up.
2. If you have a disability and need classroom accommodations, please contact The Center for Accommodations and Support Services (CASS) at 747-5148, or by email to [cass@utep.edu](mailto:cass@utep.edu), or visit their office located in UTEP Union East, Room 106. For additional information, please visit the CASS website at [www.sa.utep.edu/cass](http://www.sa.utep.edu/cass).
3. **Academic integrity.** Academic integrity is an extremely serious matter. All students are expected to comply with University rules and regulations on academic integrity and honesty. Disciplinary sanctions may be imposed for violations of these rules and regulations. Because this class is a combination of quizzes and written case reports, extra care will be taken to ensure the integrity of the teaching/learning process.
4. This syllabus is tentative.

**Tentative Course Outline:**

The class will be organized as follows.

<b>Module 1: Overview of Financial Markets</b>			
<b>Week</b>	<b>Reading</b>	<b>Topic &amp; Chapter Covered</b>	<b>Note</b>
1	Ch. 2	Determinants of Interest Rate	
2	Ch. 3	Interest Rate and Security Valuation	
3	Ch. 4	The Fed Reserve, Monetary Policy and Interest Rate	
4		Module Review	HW 1 Due Feb 6 (Mon)
		<b>Exam #1:</b> Covering Chapters & Materials in Module 1	
<b>Module 2: Securities Markets</b>			
5	Ch. 5	Money Market	
6	Ch. 6	Bond Market	
7	Ch. 7	Mortgage Market	
8	Ch. 8	Stock Market	
<i>Week 9 - Spring Break – No Class</i>			
10	Ch. 9	Foreign Exchange Market	
11		Module Review	HW 2 Due Mar 27 (Mon)
		<b>Exam #2:</b> Covering Chapters & Materials in Module 2	
<b>Module 3: Commercial Banks &amp; Other Financial Institutions</b>			
12	Ch. 11	Commercial Banks	
13	Ch. 14	Other Landing Institutions	
14	Ch. 17	Investment Companies	
15		Module Review	HW 3 Due Apr 24 (Mon)
		<b>Exam #3:</b> Covering Chapters & Materials in Module 3	
16		Group Project Presentations	Project Due May 1 (Mon)
17		<b>Final Exam:</b> Covering Chapters & Materials in All Modules	May 9 (Tue), 4:00 pm – 6:45 pm