

2022

ASIA-PACIFIC CAPITAL MARKETS

"Great for students interested in the international aspects of finance and wish to potentially pursue a career involving international finance."

FINS2622

This course covers essential elements of Asia-Pacific Financial markets, including countries like China, Indonesia, Malaysia, South Korea and others. Areas of interest include interactions of institutions and finance, corporate governance, sovereign risk, financial crises, valuation issues, methods of funds raisings & global portfolio management. This course aims to increase students' understanding of investing in emerging markets and how to modify techniques of financial analysis developed for advanced economies and apply them to emerging markets

Prerequisites: FINS1612 and FINS2624

Structure of the course:

Semester 1:

N/A

Semester 2:

10% Class Participation

15% Mid Semester Exam

20% Report on Syndicated Case Study, involving group work

5% Oral Group Presentation of Syndicated Case Study

50% Final Exam

* Disclaimer: Semester 2 Assessment details may be subject to change

STUDENT REVIEW

'FINS2622 touches upon various aspects outside finance, including law, culture, behavioural aspects and management.'

'Unlike the usual maths-orientated finance subjects, students are expected to read significant amount of materials and be able to write well – strength in reading and writing is more emphasised than any other finance course.'

'Great for students interested in the international aspects of finance and wish to potentially pursue a career involving international finance.'

WHEN IS IT OFFERED IN S2

1

Lecture:

Wednesday 4-6pm,

Tutorial:

Wednesday

10% Class Participation
15% Mid Semester Exam
20% Report on Syndicated Case Study, involving group work
5% Oral Group Presentation of Syndicated Case Study
50% Final Exam

2

3630

BANK FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

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FINS3630

The unifying theme in this course is the application of modern finance theory to the financial decision making and management of financial institutions of commercial banks.

The subject of decision-making in financial institutions is approached from a risk perspective. The course covers the major decision areas for financial institution management within the framework of a regulatory and "corporate responsible" environment. The main topics covered are various financial risks and their management including interest rate risk, credit risk, liquidity risk, foreign exchange risk and market risk within an international context.

Prerequisites: FINS1612 and FINS1613

Structure of the course:

Semester 1:

12% Tutorial Participation & Homework
44% Mid-Semester Exam
44% Final Exam

Semester 2:

12% Tutorial Participation & Homework
44% Mid-Semester Exam
44% Final Exam

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STUDENT REVIEW

'Quite an easy course as most concepts have been introduced in earlier Finance courses'

'The course becomes more interesting as the semester progresses.'

'Content is more concept based, and largely involved calculations, though is not hard-hitting material.'

'Course is recommended on the basis that it is a WAM booster however if you are seeking to learn something that is not taught in the core finance subjects, there are better courses to take.'

'Interesting to see how the banks work'

WHEN IS IT OFFERED IN S2

1

Lecture:
Wednesday 6-8pm
Friday 12-2pm
Tutorial:
Wednesday, Friday

2

12% Tutorial
Participation &
Homework
44% Mid-Semester
Exam
44% Final Exam

3637

WEALTH MANAGEMENT ADVICE

'Has great content that is applicable personally such as superannuation and taxation.'

FINS3637

This course provides students with the key financial planning knowledge and skills. From a financial planning practice perspective, we address the important compliance and legal issues and skills required to practice as a financial planner. This entails having a clear understanding of the client's situation, conducting needs analysis, identifying goals and objectives, understanding research, formulating appropriate financial planning strategies, choosing appropriate tools to execute the formulated strategy, preparing a compliant Statement of Advice (SoA), implementation of the advice and providing ongoing service and reviews to the client. The course is one of the key requirements for attaining ASIC RG146 Compliance.

Prerequisites: FINS2643

Structure of the course:

Semester 1:

40% Individual Assignment

60% Final Exam

Semester 2:

40% Individual Assignment

60% Final Exam

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STUDENT REVIEW

'The course is useful for students who want to pursue financial planning as a career.'
'Great course if FINS2643 Wealth Management appealed to you as concepts are built upon and FINS3637 allows you to practically apply their learning to a financial planning case study.'

'Has great content that is applicable personally such as superannuation and taxation.'

'The course only has one 3-hour lecture stream with no tutorials so it may be hard to schedule and assignments are weighted very heavily.'

'Minimal assignments and concepts are relatively easier to understand, in comparison to other finance courses.'

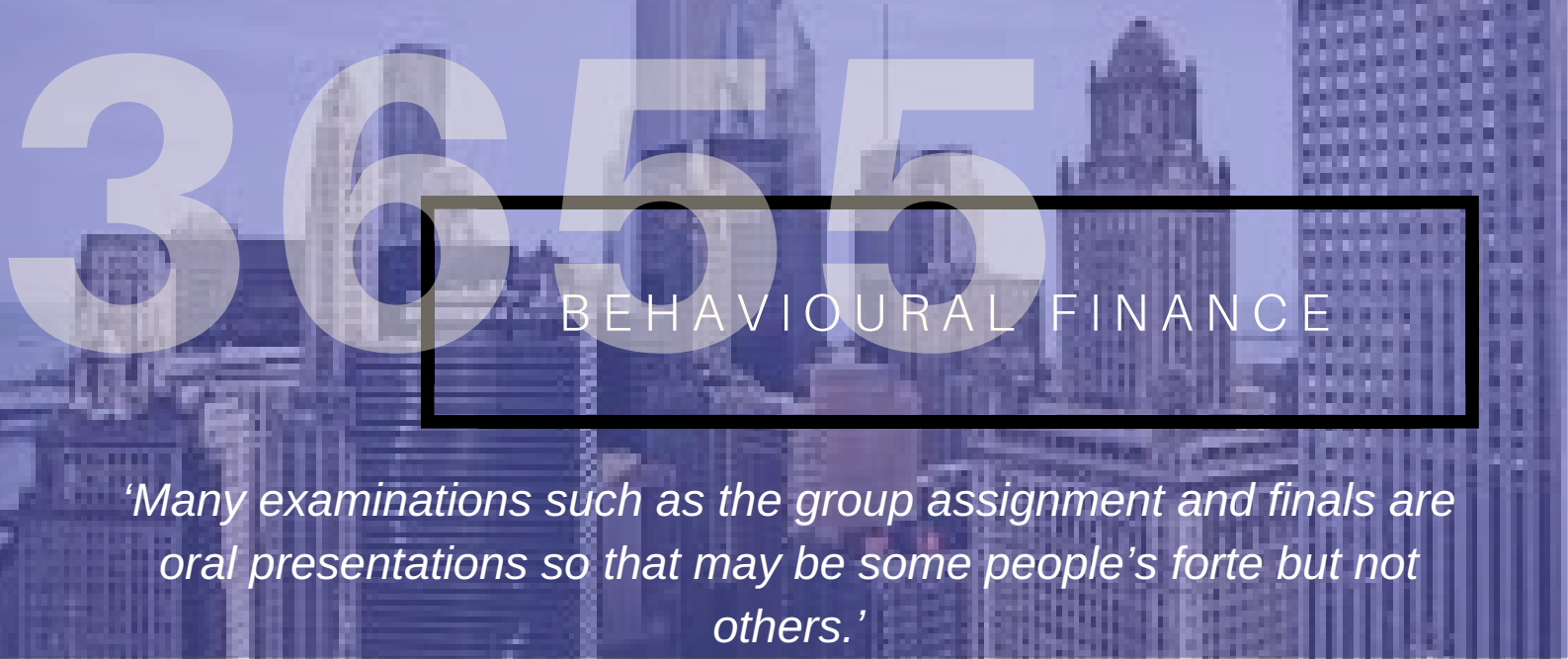
WHEN IS IT OFFERED IN S2

1

Lecture:
Wednesday 6-9pm
Tutorial:
N/A

2

40% Individual
Assignment
60% Final Exam



BEHAVIOURAL FINANCE

'Many examinations such as the group assignment and finals are oral presentations so that may be some people's forte but not others.'

FINS3655

In this course, we will examine how people make predictable and repeatable mistakes in financial decision-making. We will describe the nature of these mistakes and their origin, using insights from psychology, neurosciences, and experimental economics, on how the human mind works. Students then discuss how incorporating these mistakes into our finance theories can greatly improve standard finance models studied in other courses. We will also consider how understanding the functioning of the human mind allows us to design a better world – in particular, better stock markets, retirement and healthcare systems.

Prerequisites: FINS1613

Structure of the course:

Semester 1:

5% Class Participation

25% Group Assignment: 25 mins Presentation

30% Mid-Semester Exam

40% Final Exam: 12 mins Speech

5% Bonus Marks for completing optional work and forum discussions

Semester 2:

N/A

STUDENT REVIEW

'Many examinations such as the group assignment and finals are oral presentations so that may be some people's forte but not others.'

'Asking questions and discussions are heavily encouraged, as this impacts all forms of assignments and exams.'

'Bonus marks are directly added onto your score so definitely recommend trying to get the full 5% to boost marks!'

'A very long reading list, often straight from original research papers however only one is mandatory before each class so don't stress at the workload. The rest are supplementary readings and it is best to skim-read and take away key intuitions – don't dwell on the details.'

WHEN IS IT OFFERED IN S2

1

Lecture:
N/A
Tutorial:
N/A

2

N/A