

Mandatory project assignment

TIØ4317

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The Assignment – What?

- Empirical «mini-project»
 - Define research question
 - Retrieve data
 - Estimate models
 - Analyse and present results
- Group work
- Related to the time-series part of TIØ4317
- Deliverables
 - Replication package on GitHub
 - Peer-review report evaluating other group(s)
 - Physical presentation

The time-series part of TIØ4317

TIØ4317 - Empirical and Quantitative Methods in Finance

Progress plan spring 2025

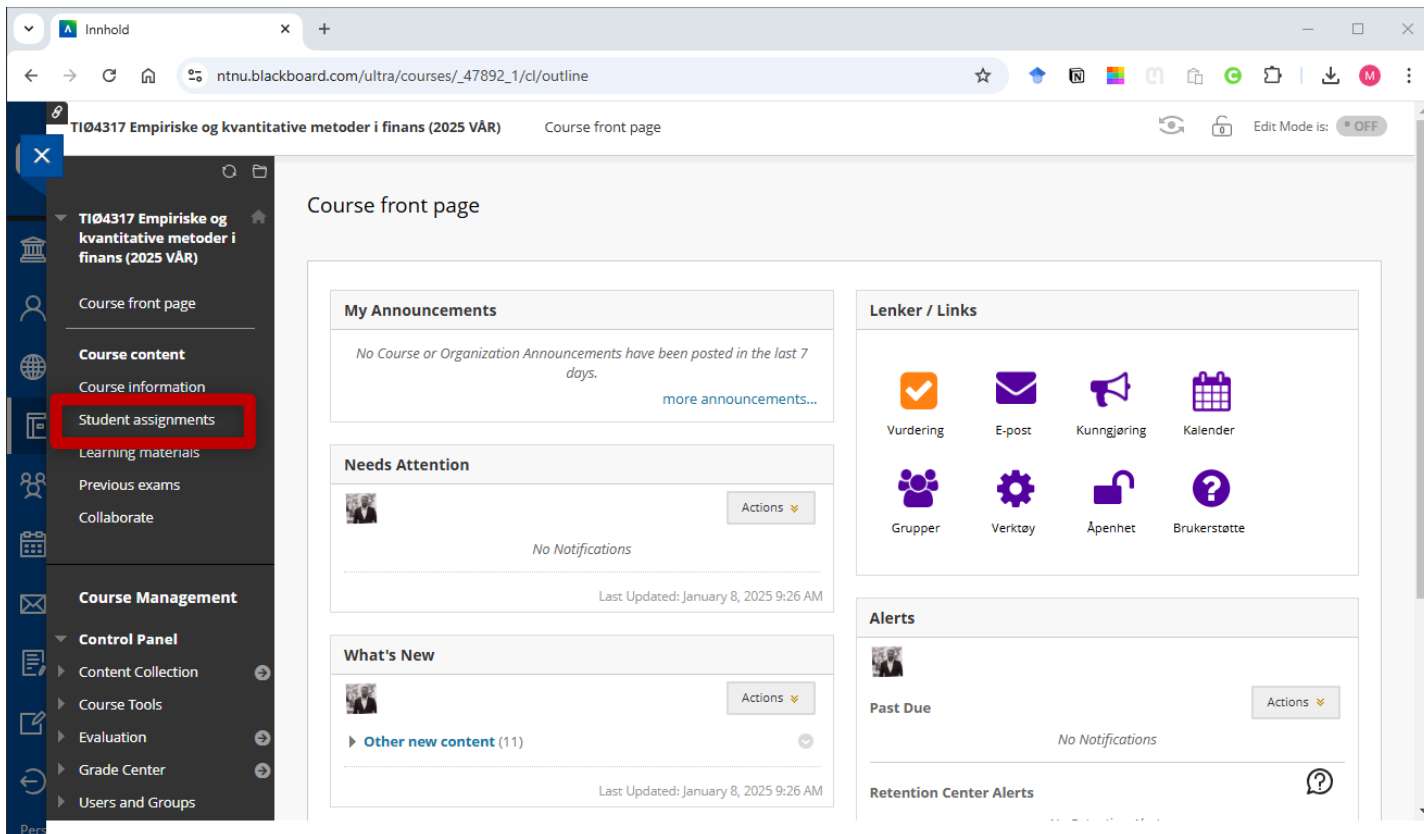
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Week	Date	Weekday	Time	Room	Teacher	Topic	Brooks	Tsay	Hult
Part I: Empirical finance									
2	10.01.2025	Friday	13:15-16:00	GL-RFB R9	Morten	Introduction Descriptive statistics	1; 15	1	
3	17.01.2025	Friday	13:15-16:00	GL-RFB R9	Maria	Statistical inference Cross-sectional data	2; 3		
4	24.01.2025	Friday	13:15-16:00	GL-RFB R9	Maria	Linear regression	3; 4		
5	31.01.2025	Friday	13:15-16:00	GL-RFB R9	Morten	Post-estimation diagnostic tests	5		
6	07.02.2025	Friday	13:15-16:00	GL-RFB R9	Morten	Univariate time series models	6	2	
7	14.02.2025	Friday	13:15-16:00	GL-RFB R9	Morten	Forecasting Guest lecture: Hafslund	6		
8	21.02.2025	Friday	13:15-16:00	GL-RFB R9	Morten	Volatility models	9	3; 10	
9	28.02.2025	Friday	13:15-16:00	GL-RFB R9	Morten	Multivariate time series models	7; 8	8; 9	
10	07.03.2025	Friday	13:15-16:00	GL-RFB R9	#N/A	Winter holiday			
11	14.03.2025	Friday	13:15-16:00	GL-RFB R9	Maria	Panel data Q&A Part 1	11		
Part II: Financial optimization and risk management									
12	21.03.2025	Friday	13:15-16:00	GL-RFB R9	Stein-Erik	Risk Measures I			6
13	28.03.2025	Friday	13:15-16:00	GL-RFB R9	Stein-Erik	Risk Measures II		7	7
14	04.04.2025	Friday	13:15-16:00	GL-RFB R9	Stein-Erik	Portfolio optimization			4; 5
15	11.04.2025	Friday	13:15-16:00	GL-RFB R9	#N/A	Ind-øk trip break			
16	18.04.2025	Friday	13:15-16:00	GL-RFB R9	#N/A	Easter break			
Student project presentations									
17	25.04.2025	Friday	13:15-16:00	GL-RFB R9	Morten	Presentations and peer-review			
18	02.05.2025	Friday	13:15-16:00	GL-RFB R9	Morten	Presentations and peer-review			

The Assignment – Why?

- Useful preparation for M.Sc. Thesis
- Problem solving in groups
- Applied project
- Gain experience with relevant applied tools
 - Data retrieval
 - Programming
 - Report writing
- Presentation training
- Contribute to fellow students through peer-review

Blackboard



The screenshot shows the Blackboard course front page for TIØ4317 Empiriske og kvantitative metoder i finans (2025 VÅR). The browser address bar shows the URL: ntnu.blackboard.com/ultra/courses/_47892_1/cl/outline.

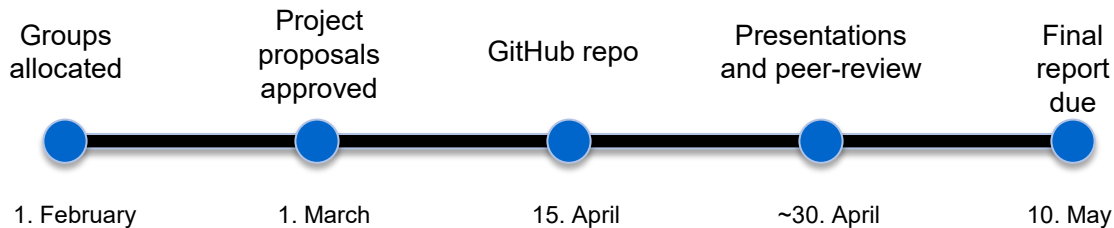
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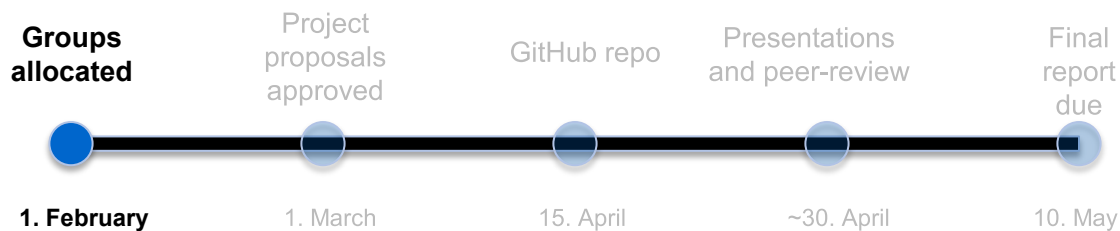
- TIØ4317 Empiriske og kvantitative metoder i finans (2025 VÅR)
 - Course front page
 - Course content**
 - Course information
 - Student assignments** (highlighted in red)
 - Learning materials
 - Previous exams
 - Collaborate
 - Course Management
 - Control Panel
 - Content Collection
 - Course Tools
 - Evaluation
 - Grade Center
 - Users and Groups

Main Content Area (Course front page):

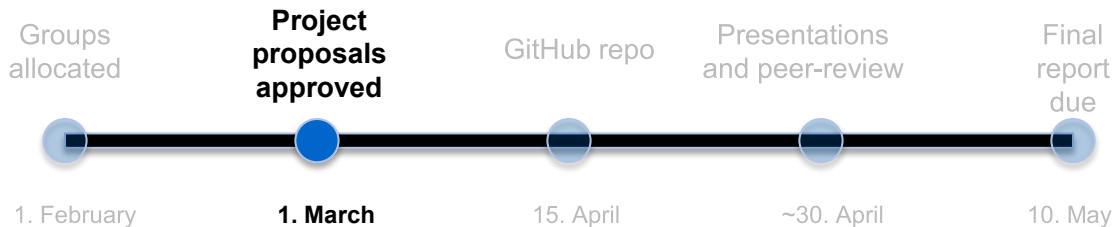
- My Announcements:** No Course or Organization Announcements have been posted in the last 7 days. [more announcements...](#)
- Needs Attention:** No Notifications. Last Updated: January 8, 2025 9:26 AM.
- What's New:** Other new content (11). Last Updated: January 8, 2025 9:26 AM.
- Lenker / Links:**
 - Vurdering
 - E-post
 - Kunngjøring
 - Kalender
 - Grupper
 - Verktøy
 - Åpenhet
 - Brukerstøtte
- Alerts:** Past Due. No Notifications. Last Updated: January 8, 2025 9:26 AM.
- Retention Center Alerts:**

Project timeline¹





- Students will be randomly allocated to groups
- Group size ~3-6
- Workload should be uniformly distributed
- Group allocations will be posted 1. February



1 A4 page, outlining

- Research question
- Expected code usage
- What data and where to retrieve it
- Sketch of empirical design
- Distribution of work among group members

*Details for
submission
TBD*



The GitHub repo will contain

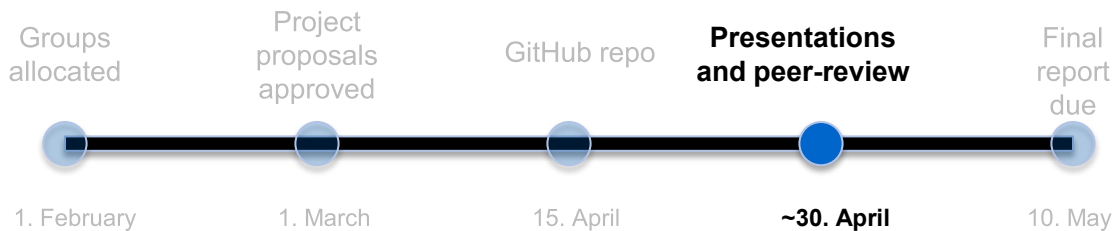
- Written report
- Code
 - including source code and any supplementary files
 - programming language should be R
 - Python also acceptable
- Data
- Recorded presentation

Results must be replicable



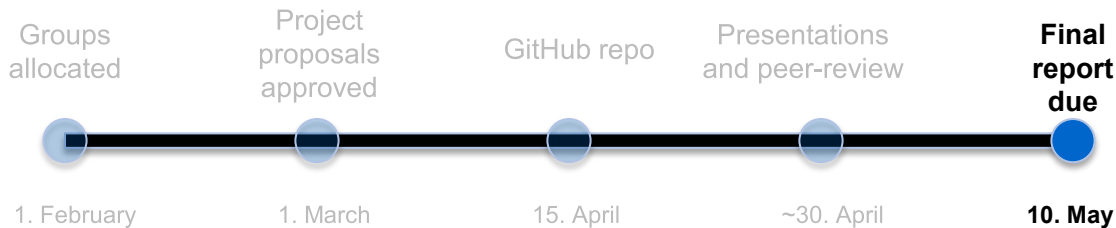
The written report

- Acceptable file formats:
 - Jupyter notebook: *.ipynb
 - Quarto document: *.qmd
- Max 10 A4 pages
- Section on use of LLMs
 - How have you used them?
 - What are your experiences?



30 min. session

- Present your work
 - PowerPoint presentation
- Receive peer-review from peer-group
 - PowerPoint presentation
- Discussion



Final report on GitHub

- Incorporating comments from peer-review

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Grading (pass/fail)

- Empirical project (50%)
 - Quality of written report
 - Efficiency of code work
 - Presentation
- Peer-review (50%)
 - Quality of written peer-review report¹
 - Usefulness of feedback