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This course is an introduction to asset pricing. It begins with a review of the theory of choice under uncertainty, then develops classical asset pricing theory in discrete time. It also discusses empirical puzzles and recent theories that have been developed to try to solve them.

Ec2723 is the first of two Harvard PhD courses in asset pricing, the second being Xavier Gabaix's course Ec2410a, Macro-Finance: Behavioral and Rational. Several asset pricing topics are covered in that course but not in this one, including continuous-time modeling, derivative pricing, and the economics of foreign exchange rates. Ec2723 is also a natural introduction to other graduate courses in finance, including Ec2725, Corporate Finance and Banking; Ec2726, Theoretical and Empirical Perspectives on Entrepreneurship: Economics and Finance; Ec2727, Empirical Methods in Corporate Finance; and, in years when it is offered, Ec2728, Behavioral Finance.

Requirements for credit in Ec2723 include three assignments and a final exam. Two of the assignments will contain computational exercises. At least one assignment will include a "referee report" to be written on an unpublished asset pricing paper.

Ec2723 is intended for PhD students in economics, and I will assume knowledge of first-year PhD microeconomics, macroeconomics, and econometrics. Undergraduates interested in this field should take Ec1723, Capital Markets.

The book will be taught using my forthcoming textbook, *Financial Decisions and Markets: A Course in Asset Pricing*. I will hand out free chapters of the manuscript until the book becomes available from Princeton University Press in October. An alternative textbook that you may find useful is John H. Cochrane, *Asset Pricing*, Princeton University Press, revised ed., 2005.

Other readings are available on the course website.

* denotes required reading and [] denotes classic reading, the original source but not necessarily the easiest reference today.

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What is asset pricing?

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1. Choice under uncertainty

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3. Static asset pricing models

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Campbell, Chapter 3, sections 3.1 and 3.2.

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B. Test methodology

Campbell, Chapter 3, section 3.3.1 and (optionally) Chapter 4, section 4.4.

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C. Empirical evidence on the cross-section of stock returns

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4. Absence of arbitrage and the stochastic discount factor

A. Theory

Campbell, Chapter 4, sections 4.1-4.3.

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B. Limits to arbitrage

Campbell, Chapter 4, section 4.5.

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5. Present value relations and stock return predictability

A. Models of stock prices

Campbell, Chapter 5, sections 5.1-5.3.

Campbell, John Y. and Robert J. Shiller, 1988, “The Dividend-Price Ratio and Expectations of Future Dividends and Discount Factors”, *Review of Financial Studies* 1, 195-228.

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B. Predictability of aggregate stock returns

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C. Present value logic and the cross-section of stock prices

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6. Consumption-based asset pricing

A. The equity premium, riskfree rate, and equity volatility puzzles

Campbell, Chapter 6, sections 6.1 and 6.2.

Ludvigson, Sydney, 2013, “Advances in Consumption-Based Asset Pricing: Empirical Tests”, in George Constantinides, Milton Harris, and Rene Stulz eds., *Handbook of the Economics of Finance*, Volume 2B, North-Holland, 799-906.

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C. Long-run risks and changing volatility

Campbell, Chapter 6, sections 6.4 and 6.5.

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7. Production-based asset pricing

A. Q theory

Campbell, Chapter 7, section 7.1.

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8. Fixed-income securities

A. Basic concepts and the expectations hypothesis of the term structure

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Campbell, Chapter 9, sections 9.3 and 9.4.

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Campbell, Chapter 11, section 11.1.

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Campbell, Chapter 11, section 11.4.

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A. Rational expectations equilibrium

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