

**ECO423A: Financial Economics**  
**Summer Course [Semester III]**  
**Syllabus**

**Instructor:** Dr. Wasim Ahmad

**Lectures:** MWF (16:00-18:00)

**Classroom:** L11

**Office hours:** TTh 11:00-12:00 or by appointment

**Course Outline:**

1. Fundamental concepts and techniques
2. Modern Portfolio theory
3. Market efficiency
4. The capital asset pricing model
5. Factor Models
6. Asset Valuation: Basic Bond and Stock Valuation Models
7. Financial Derivatives
8. Commodity derivatives

**Textbooks and course materials:**

- Wijnst Der Van Nico (2013) "Finance: A Quantitative Introduction" Cambridge University Press
- Fabozzi J Frank & Drake, Peterson Pamela (2009) "Finance – Capital Markets, Financial Management and Investment Management, John Wiley and Sons, Inc.

**Grading Policy:**

1. Midterm: 35%
2. Endsem: 35%
3. Assignments/Quizzes = 20%
4. Attendance: 10%

**\*\*Class participation will be in form of group activities. Each group, not exceeding five members, will be required to carry out in-class and/or take-home assignments. These assignments will be preannounced.**