

Syllabus

for course at first level

Principles of Finance

Principer för finansiering

7.5 Higher Education

Credits

7.5 ECTS credits

Course code: FE1102
Valid from: Autumn 2012
Date of approval: 2011-07-08
Changed: 2012-08-14
Department: Stockholm Business School

Main field: Företagsekonomi
Specialisation: G1N - First cycle, has only upper-secondary level entry requirements

Decision

This syllabus was approved by the Director of Undergraduate Studies at Stockholm University School of Business 2011-07-08, revised 2012-08-14.

Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

Swedish upper secondary school courses English B, Mathematics C and Social Sciences A or equivalent.

Course structure

Examination code	Name	Higher Education Credits
1102	Principles of Finance	7.5

Course content

The course will cover the following subject areas:

- Financial, banking and monetary Systems
- Investment analysis and time value of the money
- Value and price
- Risk and return analysis and capital structure
- International finance
- Academic English Writing

Learning outcomes

The aim of this course is to introduce the students to the Financial Systems, Introductory Valuation Models in Finance and International Perspective of Financial Systems.

After completion of the course, students should be able to:

- demonstrate an understanding of the basic principles of financial systems, banking and its international perspective and network
- do simple calculations in valuation of companies, projects and assets based on the models introduced in the course
- understand and be able to emphasize the importance of the financial sector in relation to the economy as a whole
- write an argumentative text in English based on the comparison of theoretical concepts and interpretation of empirical data

Education

The course is delivered in the form of

- Lectures and seminars including individual and group assignments.

The content and schedule for all teaching and learning activities are indicated in information available on the course webpage valid for each semester.

The language of instruction for all teaching and learning activities is English.

Forms of examination

- The course is assessed through active participation in lectures and seminars; completion of group assignments and a written examination.
- The relative weight of each form of assessment is specified in the course information available on the course webpage or issued when the course commences.
- Grades are given in accordance with a criterion-referenced scale encompassing seven grades.
- A, B, C, D, and E are pass grades. Fx and F stand for fail grades.
- The grading criteria are decided by the head of the course and stated in written information available on the course web page.

Successful completion of the course requires:

- A minimum E grade in the final examination;
- Attendance and active participation in seminars as indicated in information available on the course web page.

Students having received the grade E or higher in the final examination are not allowed to retake the examination.

Interim

In the event of major changes to the content or the required readings of the course, or suspension of the course altogether, students are entitled to an opportunity to retake the examination according to the present syllabus once each semester during the subsequent three semesters after the change has taken effect.

Limitations

The course cannot be included as part of a degree in conjunction with other similar courses accomplished at other universities in Sweden or abroad.

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The course is compulsory for students enrolled in the Bachelor's Programme in Business Administration and Political Science.

Required reading

Upon the revision of the syllabus, the following reading and additional teaching material was decided:

- Drake-Fabozzi (2010): The Basics of Finance: An Introduction to Financial Markets, Business Finance, and Portfolio Management. ISBN: 978-0-470-60971-2
- Bryman, Alan, (2008) Social Research Methods, Oxford University Press, Third edition
- Berk-DeMarzo (2009-2011): Corporate Finance, Pearson Global Edition. ISBN-10: 0137067356, ISBN-13: 9780137067350
- Articles and cases as indicated in the course information available on the course webpage.