

School of Business

COURSE OUTLINE FOR: SECURITY FUNDAMENTALS

FMGT4620

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Program: Financial Management

Professional Accounting, Taxation, MicroFinancial

Hours/Week:

Total Hours:

Term/Level:

4a

Lecture: 2

Lab: 1

Other:

Total Weeks:

Credits:

2.5

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Pre-requisites: Introductory Accounting (FMGT 2100 or 2105)

Course Description and Goals:

This course is designed to convey the nature and function of capital markets, the important features of the instruments which trade in these markets and the factors which contribute to the value of securities. A discussion of derivative instruments and mutual funds will conclude the course.

Evaluation:

 Final Examination
 50 %

 Midterm
 30 %

 Assignment
 20 %

 Total
 100 %



Course Learning Outcome

At the end of this course, the student will be able to:

- Discuss the structure of capital markets and their function within the Canadian economy.
- Describe the purpose of investments and appreciate their risks and rewards.
- Explain the workings and mechanics of a stock exchange.
- Identify sources of information on the performance of publicly traded companies.
- Discuss the business cycle, inflation, interest rates, fiscal policy and monetary policy in the context of Canadian capital markets.
- Understand the nature of marketable securities and the factors which influence their price.
- Discuss the various methods employed to evaluate the worth of a marketable security.
- Describe the nature of derivatives markets and describe the principal options.
- Describe the nature of mutual funds in terms of their advantages, disadvantages and performance.

Course Record:

Developed by:	Carol Edwards	Date:	3-Jan-02
	Instructor		
Revised by:	Robin Dalziel	Date:	3-Jan-02
Approved by:	Associate Dean (signature)	Date:	9- Jan - 02

Text(s) and Equipment

Required: None	

Course Notes (Policies and Procedures)

- Assignments: Late assignments or projects will <u>not</u> be accepted for marking. Assignments must be done on an individual basis unless otherwise specified by the instructor.
- Attendance: The attendance policy as outlined in the current BCIT Calendar will be enforced.
- Course Outline Changes: The material specified in this course outline may be changed by the instructor. If changes are required, they will be announced in class.
- Ethics: BCIT assumes that all students attending the Institute will follow a high standard of ethics. Incidents of cheating or plagiarism may, therefore, result in a grade of zero for the assignment, quiz, test, exam, or project for all parties involved and/or expulsion from the course.
- *Illness*: A doctor's note is required for any illness causing you to miss assignments, quizzes, tests, projects or exams. At the discretion of the instructor, you may complete the work missed or have the work prorated (i.e. an average is given according to your performance throughout the course).
- Makeup Tests, Exams or Quizzes: There will be no makeup tests, exams or quizzes. If you miss
 a test, exam or quiz, you will receive zero marks. Exceptions may be made for documented
 medical reasons or extenuating circumstances.
- *Labs*: Lab attendance is mandatory.

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Assignment:

You will required to create and manage a portfolio of securities through the Virtual Stock Exchange. A weekly report will be required which outlines the trading activity in your portfolio and shows the status of your portfolio. See the lab handout for details.

* <u>Schedule for Security Fundamentals</u> * (This schedule is subject to change at the discretion of the instructor.)

Week of	Material to be Covered	
Jan. 7st	Introduction to Capital Markets & Economic Analysis	
Jan. 14th	Fixed Income Securities – Bonds	
Jan. 21th	Equities – Preferred stock	
Jan. 28nd	Review and Midterm	
Feb. 4th	Equities – Common Stock	
Feb. 11th	Derivatives	
Feb. 18th	Mutual Funds	
Feb. 25th	Final Exam Review	
Mar. 4th	Final Exam Week	

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