



BRITISH COLUMBIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
School of Business
Program: Financial Management
Option: Financial Planning

Course Outline for
FMGT4525
Financial Planning

Hours/Week:	Total Hours: 80	Term/Level: 4
Lecture: 2	Total Weeks: 20	Credits: 5.5
Lab: 2		

Prerequisites

Course No: FMGT3610
Course Name: Security Analysis

Course No. is a Prerequisite for

Course No. N/A
Course Name N/A

Course Record

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Course Description

This course is designed to equip the student with the basic knowledge and skills necessary to provide advice of a financial nature to individuals. The primary topics include: taxation, risk management, pension planning, personal trusts, investments and estate planning.

Course Goals

1. To identify the need for then develop a framework to assemble a personal financial plan.
 2. To characterize the six key elements of a financial plan: cash management, risk management, education, retirement, estate and investment planning.
 3. To establish a procedure to develop, implement and monitor a financial plan.
 4. To recognize the regulatory, ethical and legal issues involved in the financial planning profession.
 5. To describe the administrative and marketing aspects of operations of a financial planner.
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Evaluation

Final Examination	35	%
Mid Term Exam	30	%
Project		
Student Participation	25	%

Course Outcomes and Sub-Outcomes

1. Understand the nature and purpose of a financial plan.
 - a. Establish a framework for gathering data.
 - b. Identify the financial constraints.
2. Cash budgeting.
 - a. Obtaining accurate cash management data.
 - b. Cash management planning strategies.
3. Risk management and insurance.
 - a. Concepts of risk management.
 - b. Fundamentals of life insurance; contracts and strategies.
 - c. Disability insurance.
 - d. Property insurance.
4. Education planning and income splitting.
 - a. Education planning and Registered Education Savings Plans.
 - b. Income splitting.
5. Retirement planning and financial independence.
 - a. Planning and goal setting.
 - b. Government pension plans.
 - c. Registered retirement plans.
 - d. Registered retirement savings plans.
 - e. Insurance planning.

6. Estate and tax planning.
 - a. Tax implications of death.
 - b. Tax planning techniques.
 - c. Estate planning and wills.
7. Investment planning and asset allocation.
 - a. Portfolio analysis and management.
 - b. Asset allocation models.
 - c. Types of investments.
 - d. Limited partnerships.
 - e. investment planning strategies.
8. Development and implementation of a financial plan.
 - a. Form of final recommendation.
 - b. Implementation procedures.
 - c. Periodic review procedures.
9. Regulatory, ethical and legal issues.
 - a. Federal and provincial regulations.
 - b. Management practices and strategies.
10. The administration and marketing of a financial planner.
 - a. Marketing techniques
 - b. Staffing and compensation.
 - c. Use of outside resources.



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**Detailed Course Specifications for
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Effective Date

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Text(s) and Equipment

Required: "Personal Financial Planning" by The Canadian Association of Financial Planners

Recommended:

Course Notes (Policies and Procedures)

Assignment Details



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Week No.	Outcome/Material Covered	Reference/Reading	Assignment	Due Date
1	Introduction	Volume 1; Chpt 1 &2		
2	Data Gathering / Financial Problems and Constraints	V1; Chpt 3 & 4		
3	Cash Budgeting	V1; Chpt 5		
4 &5	Risk Management & Insurance	V1; Chpt 6		
6	Education Planning and Income Splitting	V1; Chpt 7		
7	Retirement and Financial Independence	Volume 2; Chpt 8		
8	Mid-Term Exam	Chapter 1 - 7 (inc)		
9 & 10	Estate Planning	V2; Chpt 9		
11	Mid-Term Break			
12 - 14	Investment Planning & Asset Allocation	V2; Chpt 10		
15	Development/Implementation of a Financial Plan	V2; Chpt 11 & 13		
16	Planning Goals	V2; Chpt 14		
17	Regulatory, Ethical and Legal Issues	Volume 3; Chpt 15		
18	Marketing and Administration	V3; Chpt 16 - 18		