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WCB MISSION:
We educate students of business enabling them to contribute to organizations and society consistent with the Jesuit tradition.

COURSE DESCRIPTION:
The course introduces the basic principles, concepts and analytical tools of financial management with special emphasis on the corporation.


PREREQUISITES: ACCT 200

EVALUATION:

| Exam 1  | January 21, 2018 | Chapters 1 – 3 | 15.0% |
| Exam 2  | February 4, 2018 | Chapters 4 – 6  | 20.0% |
| Exam 3  | February 18, 2018| Chapters 7 – 9  | 20.0% |
| Exam 4  | March 3, 2018     | Chapters 10 – 12| 20.0% |
| Quizzes | Due after each chapter |       | 15.0% |
| Homework|                        |       | 10.0% |

Exams include materials covered in the lectures and assigned readings. Grades are assigned according to the following scale:

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All lecture notes are available on Canvas ([https://canvas.xavier.edu/login](https://canvas.xavier.edu/login)). You will need a calculator that either has a financial program or y^x and 1/x keys.

Using any work that is not your own, giving permission to use your work or using any unauthorized information throughout the semester will result in a failing grade in the course and possible expulsion from Xavier University. All students are expected to adhere to Xavier’s Academic Honesty policy as set forth in the catalogue.

All of the quizzes and exams will be administered through the McGraw-Hill Connect application. Exams will be recorded using the Tegrity application to ensure academic integrity. Exams submitted without a video will receive a zero for the assignment. There will be a quiz due at the end of each chapter. You will be given two attempts for each quiz and the quizzes are timed, so make sure you can complete it in the time allowed. Your score for each quiz will be the average of both attempts. Overall, the lowest quiz score will be dropped before averaging your remaining results. The 1st three exams are due on a Sunday night by 11:59pm, but the last exam is due by the Saturday when the course ends. Exam times will vary and you
will be given one attempt to complete the exams. There is a 20% reduction for each day a quiz or homework assignment is submitted late. Late exams will not be accepted and will receive a zero grade for that assignment.

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| 1    | 01/08 – 01/14 | Chapter 1 – Introduction to Corporate Finance  
Chapter 2 – Financial Statements, Taxes and Cash Flows |
| 2    | 01/15 – 01/21 | Chapter 2 – Financial Statements, Taxes and Cash Flows (cont.)  
Chapter 3 – Working with Financial Statements  
**Exam 1: Chapters 1 – 3** |
| 3    | 01/22 – 01/28 | Chapter 4 – Introduction to Valuation: Time Value of Money  
Chapter 5 – Discounted Cash Flow Valuation  
**Exam 1: Chapters 1 – 3** |
| 4    | 01/29 – 02/04 | Chapter 5 – Discounted Cash Flow Valuation (cont.)  
Chapter 6 – Interest Rates and Bond Valuation  
**Exam 2: Chapters 4 – 6** |
| 5    | 02/05 – 02/11 | Chapter 7 – Stock Valuation  
Chapter 8 – Net Present Value and Other Investment Criteria |
| 6    | 02/12 – 02/18 | Chapter 9 – Making Capital Investment Decisions  
**Exam 3: Chapters 7 – 9** |
| 7    | 02/19 – 02/25 | Chapter 10 – Some Lessons from Capital Market History  
Chapter 11 – Return, Risk and the Security Market Line  
**Exam 3: Chapters 7 – 9** |
| 8    | 02/26 – 03/03 | Chapter 11 – Return, Risk and the Security Market Line (cont.)  
Chapter 12 – Cost of Capital  
**Exam 4: Chapters 10 – 12** |

Learning Goals – Williams College of Business

**Undergraduate Program**

- **Critical Thinking**

  *Learning Goal:* WCB graduates will be able to think logically, reason quantitatively, and utilize appropriate analytical techniques and technology when evaluating and making decisions.

  *Corresponding Objectives:*
  - (1) WCB students will collect, evaluate and synthesize information to offer solutions and support decision making.
  - (2) WCB students will evaluate and articulate implications of business decisions and their impact on organizational stakeholders, both individually and in teams.

- **Understanding and Application of Knowledge Across Business Disciplines**

  *Learning Goal:* WCB graduates will be able to evaluate business from an integrative and holistic point of view, leverage the synergies between functional business areas, and demonstrate college-level mastery of their chosen discipline.

  *Corresponding Objectives:*
(1) WCB students will demonstrate the appropriate knowledge of accounting, economics, finance, management, management information systems, marketing, quantitative business analytics, international issues, and the legal and social environment of business.