

International Finance

Academic Year: (2023 / 2024)

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Department assigned to the subject: Business Administration Department

Coordinating teacher: GUTIERREZ URTIAGA, MARIA

Type: Electives ECTS Credits : 6.0

Year : Semester :

REQUIREMENTS (SUBJECTS THAT ARE ASSUMED TO BE KNOWN)

Financial Economics
Macroeconomía

OBJECTIVES

After this course the student should be able to:

- Have a better understanding of the role of International Financial Management in modern corporations.
- Understand the risk issues raised by foreign operations.
- Asses the role of financial derivatives to hedge risk in the international markets
- Analyse investment decisions in an international context.

Moreover, the course aims to contribute to general long-term learning goals to ensure that upon graduation students will be ethical reasoners; critical thinkers; adept in quantitative analysis; and knowledgeable in both general business concepts and specific disciplines.

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: PROGRAMME

- Unit 1 Introduction to International Finance
- Unit 2 Measuring the Wealth of Nations
- Unit 3 Exchange Rates and Forex Markets
- Unit 4 Exchange Rate Systems
- Unit 5 Interest Rate Parity
- Unit 6 Purchasing Power Parity
- Unit 7 Real Exchange Risk for Exporters, Importers and Domestic Firms
- Unit 8 International Financing
- Unit 9 International Investments
- Unit 10 Country and Political Risk
- Unit 11 Hedging

LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND METHODOLOGY

Theory, methods and empirical evidences will be presented during the theory sessions.
Discussion of the exercises and cases will be done during the reduced group sessions.

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

Course evaluation (both for the ordinary and extraordinary sitting) is based on:

1. Problem sets and case studies: 20%
2. Midterm exam: 30%
3. Final Exam: 50% (The minimum required grade in the final exam is 40 out of 100)

% end-of-term-examination: 50

% of continuous assessment (assignments, laboratory, practicals...): 50

BASIC BIBLIOGRAPHY

- Geert Bekaert and Robert J. Hodrick International Financial Management, Cambridge University Press 3^a ed. , 2017

ADDITIONAL BIBLIOGRAPHY

- Eiteman, D.; Stonehill, A. I.; Moffet, M. H. Multinational Business Finance, Pearson, 15th edition, 2019
- Hillier, David; Grinblatt, Mark; Titman, Sherindan Financial markets and corporate strategy, McGraw-Hill Publishing Co., 2011
- Shapiro, A. C. Multinational Financial Management, John Wiley & Sons, Inc. 11th edition, 2019

BASIC ELECTRONIC RESOURCES

- . Chicago Mercantile Exchange: <http://www.cme.com>
- . The Atlas of Economic Complexity by the Growth Lab at Harvard University:
<http://https://atlas.cid.harvard.edu/countries/71/export-basket>
- . NASDAQ OMX PHLX: <http://www.nasdaqtrader.com/Micro.aspx?id=phlx>
- . Intercontinental Exchange (old London International Financial Futures Exchange), now with NYSE:
<http://globalderivatives.nyx.com>
- . Official Euro site with Euro Converter: <http://www.ecb.europa.eu/euro/html/index.en.html>
- . Central Banking Resource Center: <http://www.bis.org/cbanks.htm>
- . The Economist: <http://www.economist.com/>
- . Global Financial Data: <http://www.globalfinancialdata.com/>