# uc3m Universidad Carlos III de Madrid

## International Finance

Academic Year: (2023 / 2024) Review date: 30-08-2023

Department assigned to the subject: Business Administration Department

Coordinating teacher: GUTIERREZ URTIAGA, MARIA

Type: Compulsory ECTS Credits: 6.0

Year: 4 Semester: 1

#### 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 3ª 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
- . The Atlas of Economic Complexity by the Growth Lab at Harvard University:

https://atlas.cid.harvard.edu/countries/71/export-basket

- . 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/