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FINC 150: Financial Management  
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Course Objectives: FINC 150 is designed to provide students with an introduction to the field of finance. Students will be introduced to the responsibilities, concerns and methods of analysis employed by the corporate financial manager. We discuss capital budgeting, cost of capital, capital structure, dividend policy, basic investment and portfolio theory, financial statement analysis, option theory and other related topics. Students who do not plan to go on in the discipline will have a broad introduction to finance and those who plan to pursue the study of finance will have a strong foundation for more advanced study. While theory will be introduced and discussed, the emphasis of this course will be on practical decision making and problem solving.

Course Format: Two hour class sessions will combine lectures with class discussion and problem solving. Analytical reasoning and quantitative analysis skills developed in past math, statistics, and economics courses will be applied to solve complex problems in corporate financial analysis. Prior to each session, students should complete pre class reading and assignments to familiarize themselves with terms and concepts.


Grading: 20% Problem sets, 40% Midterm, and 40% Final Exam. You may work in groups of up to 4 students on each problem set or work individually. Late assignments will not be accepted. Any makeup tests will occur at the end of the course. Makeup tests are only allowed for emergencies and proof of the emergency is required. If you are ill prior to an exam you must call me ahead of time and provide written verification of your inability to take the exam. Plan other events in your schedule accordingly.

Course Outline: (tentatively in this order)

Session 1 - Introduction  
Session 2 - Financial Statement Analysis  
Session 3 - Time Value of Money  
Session 4 - Valuation of Stocks and Bonds  
Session 5 - Capital Budgeting  
Session 6 - Capital Markets: Risk and Return  
Session 7 - Capital Markets (cont’d)  
Session 8 - Capital Market Efficiency
Session 9-  Review
Session 10-  **Midterm Exam**
Session 11-  Corporate Capital Structure
Session 12-  Corporate Capital Structure (cont’d)
Session 13-  Dividend Policy
Session 14-  Financial Modeling
Session 15-  Working Capital Management
Session 16-  Options
Session 17-  Risk Management
Session 18-  Special Topics & Summary
Session 19-  Review
Session 20-  **Final Exam**

**Homework:** In addition to graded problem sets, ungraded homework assignments may be provided. The homework will be indicative of the types of questions you might see on the exams.