



PROGRAMME IN BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS

EFI242 Finance, Intermediate Course, 7.5 credits

Finansiell ekonomi, fortsättningskurs, 7,5 högskolepoäng

First Cycle

Confirmation

This course syllabus was confirmed by Programme in Business and Economics (ICU) on 2020-08-11 to be valid from 2021-01-17, spring semester of 2021.

Field of education: Social Sciences 100%

Department: Programme in Business and Economics

Other participating departments

Department of Business Administration

Department of Economics

Position in the educational system

The course is offered in the first cycle and is included in the fourth semester of the Bachelor's Programme in Business and Economics for students majoring in financial economics. It is also offered as a freestanding course.

The course can be part of the following programme: 1) Bachelor's Programme in Business and Economics (S1EKA)

Main field of studies

Financial Economics

Specialization

G2F, First cycle, has at least 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

Entry requirements

Admission to the course requires knowledge equivalent to basic courses in economics (30 credits), business administration (30 credits) and statistics (15 credits), i.e. a total of 75 credits of which at least 60 credits must be completed.

Learning outcomes

On successful completion of the course the student will be able to acquire tools, methods and theoretically based models for analyzing and executing financial decisions. After successful completion of the course the students shall:

Knowledge and understanding

1. be able to demonstrate a developed knowledge about, and understanding of, central practical and theoretical concepts in the area of financial management,

Competence and skills

2. be able to demonstrate skills in systematically applying methods for evaluating investments and financial instruments,

Judgement and approach

3. be able to critically evaluate and discuss problems related to strategic financial decision making,

4. reason critically and independently about sustainability related challenges linked to financial decision making.

The course is sustainability-related, which means that at least one of the learning outcomes clearly shows that the course content meets at least one of the University of Gothenburg's confirmed sustainability criteria.

Course content

The course examines important issues in financial management with focus on investment and financing decisions under risk. The course covers topics such as cost of capital, capital structure, dividend policy, capital budgeting and the pricing of financial instruments and corporate liabilities.

Form of teaching

Lectures, case work and a theme day with focus on sustainable development. Attendance at the sustainability day is compulsory and applies only to programme students at the School of Business, Economics and Law.

Language of instruction: English and Swedish

The theme day (*Sustainability Day – Responsibility*) is held in Swedish.

Assessment

Learning outcome 1 will be assessed in a written exam.

Learning outcome 2 will be assessed in a written exam and through case work. The case work will be done in teams and the results presented in a written report.

Learning outcome 3 will be assessed through case work (same as above for Learning outcome 2).

Learning outcome 4 will be assessed through case work and participation in *Sustainability Day – Responsibility*.

Absence from compulsory elements of the course can be replaced with alternative assignments.

If a student, who has failed the same examined element on two occasions, wishes to change examiner before the next examination session, such a request is to be submitted to the department in writing and granted unless there are special reasons to the contrary (Chapter 6, Section 22 of Higher Education Ordinance).

If a student has received a recommendation from the University of Gothenburg for special educational support, where it is compatible with the learning outcomes of the course and provided that no unreasonable resources are required, the examiner may decide to allow the student to sit an adjusted exam or alternative form of assessment.

In the event that a course has ceased or undergone major changes, students are to be guaranteed at least three examination sessions (including the ordinary examination session) over a period of at least one year, though at most two years after the course has ceased/been changed.

Grades

The grading scale comprises: Excellent (A), Very good (B), Good (C), Satisfactory (D), Sufficient (E) and Fail (F).

To obtain a passing course grade, students must receive a passing grade on the individual written examination, the case work and, for programme students, fulfillment of the requirements connected to *Sustainability Day – Responsibility*. Points from the written exam and from the case work are combined to determine the final grade.

Course evaluation

Upon completion, the course will be evaluated in accordance with the rules for course evaluations established for the Programme in Business and Economics at the School of

Business, Economics and Law. The results of and possible changes to the course will be shared with students who participated in the evaluation and students who are starting the course.

Additional information

The course may not be included in the same degree as the course EFI200 Finance 1, EFI240 Finance 1 or EFI241 Finance 1.