

**King Saud University**  
**College of Business Administration**  
**Department of Finance**



## **Course Syllabus**

**Investment Essentials (FIN 220), (3 + 0)**

**Second Semester, 1434/1435, AH.**

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**Course commencing from:** 26<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2014 (onwards)

### **Course Detail with office hours:**

<b>Sections &amp; Class Room Number</b>	<b>Lecture Details</b>		<b>Office Hours Details</b>	
	<b>Days</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Days</b>	<b>Time</b>
30319, Room no. 0101 67 G B 51	Sunday, Tuesday & Thursday	9 – 10 A.M	Monday & Tuesday	1-2 P.M.  10-11 A.M

### **Objective of the Course:**

The objective of this course is to provide a rigorous introduction to the fundamental principles of investments for students who have relatively little familiarity with such issues. The course investigates the issues of investment environment, stock markets, interest rates & bond valuation.

**Expectation from each of you:**

- This class involves a lot of work, so be there attentively in the class for the whole semester, even one absent may create a lot of problem, for the better understanding of the rest of the course, and keep your mobile phone in switch off mode.
- Submit the assignments and other stuffs within the due date. No late submission is allowed unless otherwise there is sufficient ground. In that regard instructor's decision will be the final.
- Plagiarism of any form will be dealt very seriously if found.
- Normally no makeup is allowed for any component unless otherwise there is sufficient ground. In that regard instructor's decision will be the final.
- You can come to my chamber at the time allotted for your section only as I will be busy in other times, you can always take appointment over phone or email.
- After you get your marks, come and discuss your concerns with the instructor. Do not compare your mark with other students in your section or other sections or with any other faculty member.
- If there will be no class on the schedule day. I will inform to the course representative or to the academic office well in advance for your information.

**Detail Plan of Sessions**

<b>Week No.</b>	<b>Title of the Topic</b>	<b>Chapters</b>
1	Introduction	General Overview
2 & 3	A Brief History of Risk and Return	1
4 & 5	The Investment Process	2
6	Overview of Security Types	3
7	The Stock Market – An Overview	5
8 & 9	Stock Price Behavior and Market Efficiency Overview	7
10, 11 & 12	Common Stock Valuation	6
12 & 13	Interest Rates	9
14 & 15	Introduction about Bond Price	10

**Course requirements / Evaluation plan**

1 <sup>st</sup> Mid-term examination (16 <sup>th</sup> March, 2014)	<b>= 25 marks</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Mid-term examination (27 <sup>th</sup> April, 2014)	<b>= 25 marks</b>
Class participation / Attendance (Continuous Evaluation)	<b>= 10 marks</b>
Final Examination (As per university Schedule)	<b>= 40 marks</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>= 100 marks</b>

**Mid-term examinations**

The date of tests has been announced to the students well in advance in the 1<sup>st</sup> week of the course so change of date is not possible, the coverage will be up to the declaration date. It is expected that the students will prepare for the test and maintain a healthy discipline at the time of test. If anyone found of doing anything against the examination ethical codes he will be debarred from the examination and will be awarded zero in that component. No make-up provision is there for the test unless otherwise it is very urgent.

**Course Representative-**

There is a provision of electing the course representative. The class representative is selected on the basis of one's will or through other students' choice or both. They are only the communicator between the students and me. Any change in the outline or class schedule or in any components will be informed to the course representatives in advance. They will open a group mail id for the whole class in which every students must have to register.

**Text Books**

- Jordan, Miller and Dolvin "Fundamentals of Investments: valuation and Management", sixth edition, copyright 2012/ McGraw-Hill, Higher Education - USA

**Materials and sites to be referred**

- Financial Management, Theory and Practice, Brigham, E.F., and Ehrhardt, M.C., South Western Cengage Learning, 13<sup>th</sup> Edition, ISBN – 13:9781439078099.
- Financial statement analysis and security valuation, Stephen H Penman, the McGraw-Hill Company, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, ISBN-9780070668195.
- Corporate finance by Aswath Damodaran. (Collect e-Book from me).
- Financial Reporting & Analysis (Eight Edition), by Charles H. Gibson.
- Business Analysis & Valuation (2<sup>nd</sup> Ed.), by Palepu, Healy & Bernard.
- Advanced Financial Statements Analysis by David Harper.

<http://www.investopedia.com/university/financialstatements/>

- Building Financial Models: A Guide to Creating & Interpreting Financial Statements, by John S.Tjia, McGraw Hill Publication.
- ESSENTIALS of Financial Analysis, by George T. Friedlob, Lydia L.F. chleifer, John Wiley & Sons, Inc.
- FINANCIAL ANALYSIS: TOOLS AND TECHNIQUES, *A Guide for Managers*, by ERICH A. HELFERT, McGraw-Hill.
- WEBSITE REFERENCES GIVEN IN THE TEXT BOOKS.
- <https://lms.ksu.edu.sa>
- <https://edugate.ksu.edu.sa>
- [www.damodaran.com](http://www.damodaran.com)
- [www.search.epnet.com](http://www.search.epnet.com)
- <http://www.tadawul.com.sa>
- <http://www.tadawulfx.com/public/>
- <http://www.mof.gov.sa/en/default.asp>

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