



BA702 Advanced Financial Management Unit Outline

School/Division: Business

Unit Title: Advanced Financial Management

Unit Code: BA702

Level: **Introductory**
 Advanced

Prerequisites: BA701 Financial Management

Corequisites: Nil

Exclusion(s): Nil

Credit Points: 15

ASCED Code: 080101

Objectives: This unit is a third level unit in the Bachelor of Commerce course and is designed to follow on from BA701 Financial Management and extends the concepts covered in that unit. It seeks to provide students with:

- an understanding of the specialised functions required of financial managers, and
- skills in the use of techniques available to solve complex financial management problems.

Knowledge

- Identify the financial characteristics of various financial policies
- Identify key factors affecting financial performance
- Understand the principles of risk minimisation strategies

Skills



- Evaluate alternative growth scenarios and related financing needs
- Ensure that the firm has an appropriate mix of finance for various stages of development
- Evaluate the effects of alternative financial policies
- Identify the factors affecting a firm’s financial risk profile
- Ability to select appropriate risk minimisation strategies which are consistent with management policies and preferences

Values

- Be aware of the dynamic nature of financial management and need to monitor financial performance
- Appreciate the inter-relatedness of the firm’s key financial policies
- Appreciate the need to keep abreast of developments in financial instruments and markets

Content:

The material covered in the course will be selected from:

- portfolio analysis
- efficient market hypothesis
- issues in investments: options, rights and futures markets; financial analysis of acquisitions; sustainable growth
- issues in corporate analysis: insolvency prediction; business valuation; takeovers, acquisitions and mergers, risk management
- international finance: foreign exchange markets; foreign exchange rates; policies for managing foreign exchange risk; international financing and investing decisions
- lease evaluation
- contemporary financial management issues

Learning Tasks & Assessment: To achieve a pass in this unit it will be necessary for all assessable tasks to be completed and an overall P grade attained in those assessable tasks denoted by an * in the below Learning Tasks and Assessment Schedule.

Learning Task	Assessment	Weighting
Research and assignment writing	Group case study or essay	40 - 50%
Research and preparation	Examination or other time constrained assessable task*	50 - 60%

Adopted Reference Style

- APA
 Australian
 MLA
 Chicago
 Other (please specify)

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