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**Textbook**

*Essentials of Corporate Finance*, 7th Edition, by Stephen A. Ross, Randolf W. Westerfield, and Bradford D. Jordan. New York, NY: Irwin McGraw-Hill, 2010.

**A Financial Calculator:** Many financial calculators are available on the market. Make sure the one you have is able to calculate Net Present Value (NPV) and Internal Rate of Return (IRR). **It is a student’s responsibility to purchase a calculator with financial functions and learn to operate it.** The TI BAII is supported by the textbook. I will also illustrate the use of financial functions of TI 83 (TI 85 and TI 89 are similar) and Microsoft Excel if needed. The “external links” of your course Blackboard will link you to financial calculators and Microsoft Excel manuals.

**Course objectives:** Students learning the material presented in this course will be able to:

* Create and analyze standard accounting financial statements;
* Analyze income and cost streams incorporating different time patterns and interest rates;
* Make investment decisions using standard analytic tools
* Analyze the advantages and disadvantages of alternative capital structures for a firm.

**Grading:**

Exam #1 30%

Exam #2 30%

Final Exam 50%

Total 110%

The higher of the two exam scores will count 30% of the final grade and the lower of the exam scores will count 20% of the final grade. There will be no make-up exams. If you are unable to make it to a semester exam, the exam you take will count 50% and the final exam will count 50%. All students must take the final exam.

About ***Connect*** and Your Student Code:

McGraw-Hill’s ***Connect*** is a web-based assignment and assessment solution required for this course. We will be using Connect for several assignments in this course

Your ***Connect*** code can be purchased one of several ways:

1. As part of the package with your text purchased from the bookstore
2. If you buy a used book, you can purchase ***Connect*** online at the course homepage:

http://connect.mcgraw-hill.com/class

If you purchase Connect online, you will have the option of purchasing ***Connect*** or ***ConnectPlus***. ***ConnectPlus*** includes an interactive eBook, while ***Connect*** does not.

NOTE: You can register in Connect and have access without a code for a limited time period (typically three weeks).

How to register for ***Connect***

1. Go to your ***Connect*** home page:

http://connect.mcgraw-hill.com

1. Click on the "Register Now" link on the student menu found on your instructor's course homepage.
2. Enter your email address

**TIP:** If you already have a McGraw-Hill account, you will be asked for your password and will not be required to create a new account.

1. Enter a registration code or choose **Buy Online** to purchase access online
2. Follow the on-screen directions

**TIP:** Please choose your Security Question and Answer carefully. You will be asked for this information if you forget your password.

1. When registration is complete, click on **Go to Connect Now**
2. You are now ready to use ***Connect***

**Important Student Tips for Homework Manger**

If you have any issues while registering or using *Connect*, please contact McGraw-Hill’s CARE team through <http://www.mhhe.com/support>. To avoid problems related to unexpected technical issues, you are advised not to wait until the last moment to complete assignments. Please review your “*Student Quick Tips*” (also available on blackboard) for further support.

**Tentative Schedule**

**Week beginning**

1/28 First class

2/25 Exam #1

4/08 Exam #2

4/13 Final Exam

**Policies**

1. **Add/drop, withdraw, and incomplete policy**: Students should comply with the university policy for add/drop, withdraw, and incomplete procedure.
2. **No late work will be accepted**. This policy applies to homework assignments, case analysis, all exams and quizzes.
3. **Cell Phones, Calculators, and Laptops:** Cell phones must be set to “Off.” If you are expecting an urgent call you may set it to “Vibrate” and leave the classroom to answer the call. Texting is not allowed and cell phones shall not be visible during class at any time. Programmable calculators are not allowed on homework, quizzes, and exams. No laptop computers are allowed in classroom. In order to follow lectures better, students should print out Power Point Presentations posted on Blackboard for each chapter before the lecture.
4. **Statement of Academic Integrity:**  Violation of academic integrity include, but are not limited to, the following: cheating on an examination or quiz; plagiarism on any paper or case report; falsifying data, research, or report; representation of forged documents; misrepresentation of information in oral or written form. Such violations will automatically result a **Failed** grade for the course. See “Academic Dishonesty” and “Honor Code” in the University Catalogue (2011-12), pp. 76-77, 79-80.
5. **Disabilities statements**: students with disabilities needing accommodation should make request with Disability Accommodation Services, Bell Tower, East Wing, Room 1769 (805-437-8525). All requests for accommodations require appropriate advance notice to avoid a delay in services. Please discuss your approved accommodations with me.