

EF5182: INDEPENDENT PROJECT

Effective Term

Semester B 2024/25

Part I Course Overview

Course Title

Independent Project

Subject Code

EF - Economics and Finance

Course Number

5182

Academic Unit

Economics and Finance (EF)

College/School

College of Business (CB)

Course Duration

Two Semesters

Credit Units

0-6

Level

P5, P6 - Postgraduate Degree

Medium of Instruction

English

Medium of Assessment

English

Prerequisites

For students enrolled in MSF, MSFE or MSFS programme: EF5042 Corporate Finance, EF5052 Investments, EF5050 Derivatives and Risk Management and either one of the following: EF5250 Stochastic Calculus for Finance or EF5070 Financial Econometrics

Precursors

Nil

Equivalent Courses

Nil

Exclusive Courses

Nil

Part II Course Details

Abstract

This course aims to enable students to undertake an independent research and writing project that will develop their ability to apply the theories and techniques learnt in the programme to real-world financial management issues.

Course Intended Learning Outcomes (CILOs)

CILOs	Weighting (if app.)	DEC-A1	DEC-A2	DEC-A3
1	Demonstrate the ability to study and analyse a subject matter in-depth.	x	x	x
2	Apply the knowledge and skills learned in the programmes, rigorously study a real world economic or financial issue.	x	x	x
3	Communicate effectively the issue studied, the approach adopted and the result of the study.	x	x	x

A1: Attitude

Develop an attitude of discovery/innovation/creativity, as demonstrated by students possessing a strong sense of curiosity, asking questions actively, challenging assumptions or engaging in inquiry together with teachers.

A2: Ability

Develop the ability/skill needed to discover/innovate/create, as demonstrated by students possessing critical thinking skills to assess ideas, acquiring research skills, synthesizing knowledge across disciplines or applying academic knowledge to real-life problems.

A3: Accomplishments

Demonstrate accomplishment of discovery/innovation/creativity through producing /constructing creative works/new artefacts, effective solutions to real-life problems or new processes.

Learning and Teaching Activities (LTAs)

LTAs	Brief Description	CILO No.	Hours/week (if applicable)
1	Independent research guided by the supervisor	Based on an agreed topic, students will undertake an independent research that will develop their ability to apply the theories and techniques learnt in the programme to real-world financial management issues under guidance of the assigned supervisor.	1, 2, 3

Assessment Tasks / Activities (ATs)

ATs	CILO No.	Weighting (%)	Remarks (e.g. Parameter for GenAI use)
1	Written Reports and oral presentation	1, 2, 3	100

Continuous Assessment (%)

100

Assessment Rubrics (AR)

Assessment Task

Written Reports and oral presentation (for students admitted before Semester A 2022/23 and in Semester A 2024/25 & thereafter)

Criterion

Demonstrate the ability to study and analyse a subject matter in-depth and to apply the knowledge and skills learned in a real world economic or financial issue. Lastly, being able to communicate effectively the issue studied, the approach adopted and the result of the study.

Excellent

(A+, A, A-) High

Good

(B+, B, B-) Significant

Fair

(C+, C, C-) Moderate

Marginal

(D) Basic

Failure

(F) Not even reaching marginal levels

Assessment Task

Written Reports and oral presentation (for students admitted from Semester A 2022/23 to Summer Term 2024)

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Part III Other Information

Keyword Syllabus

Nil

Reading List

Compulsory Readings

Title	
1	Nil

Additional Readings

Title	
1	Nil