

York University
Faculty of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies
School of Administrative Studies

AP/ADMS 3530 3.00 Finance

Summer (SU) 2022 - Course Outline

Session Dates, Instructors, Class Hours, Location and Delivery Method

Dates: Classes for the SU session begin on May 9 and end on August 9. The final exam will be held sometime between August 11 and 18 (to be announced by the Registrar's Office in early July).

Instructor	Email	Section	Delivery/Location	Day/Time (ET)
Sam Alagurajah	salagura@yorku.ca	A	LECT (in-person) Room: SLH B	Tue 11:30am-2:30pm
Alex Kowalski	alexfin@yorku.ca	B	LECT (in-person) Room: SLH B	Wed 7pm to 10pm
Humaira Matin	humairam@yorku.ca	C	LECT (in-person) Room: DB 0007	Thu 4pm to 7pm
Lois King	loisking@yorku.ca	D	ONLN (asynchronous lectures with office hours)	Office Hours: TBA

ESSENTIAL NOTICE:

All sections have the same Voice-over-Powerpoint slides for lectures. These files, review questions, and weekly online quizzes will be posted on [eClass](#). McGraw Hill Connect is required for the completion of the LS Assignments. The midterm and final exams will be held online through eClass for all sections. The evaluation scheme and the requirements are the same for all sections.

This course is run as a partially-flipped course, meaning students need to review the posted files and have completed the weekly Connect LS assignments before coming to class, as a majority of the lectures will involve problem-solving.

Students will be responsible for owning and maintaining a computer (not a phone) that will allow them to participate in all aspects of this course. See [Delivery Method](#) section below.

Course Description

This course introduces students to the principles of finance and its applications. The course emphasizes the following two concepts: *the time value of money* and *the relationship between expected return and risk*. Topics covered include: time value of money, valuation of financial securities (e.g. bonds and stocks),

choice of new projects to undertake (i.e. capital budgeting), determination of appropriate discount rates and working capital management. This course is both rich in content and fast in pace. Therefore, considerable out of class work is required for each student. Problem solving technique is essential to success in this course.

Delivery Methods

- Sections A, B and C: Students will meet in-person in the locations and dates/times listed above. Students in these sections will write the same online exams as Section D.
- Section D: (ONLN) is mostly an asynchronous section. Students have access to the same files as the other sections. Optional office hours will also be held once a week and times will be announced later. Exams will be online, delivered through eClass.

All course materials, announcements, files and exam links will be posted on eClass:

<https://eclass.yorku.ca/eclass/my/>

Here are some useful links for accessing and using eClass

<https://lthelp.yorku.ca/student-guide-to-moodle>

Pre-Requisites and Co-Requisites

Students without the following pre-requisites and co-requisite will be de-enrolled.

Pre-requisites: [ECON 1000](#), [ECON 1010](#), [ADMS 2500](#).

Co-requisite: [ADMS 2320](#) (you must have already completed 2320 or are taking it in the same term as 3530).

Student Evaluation

Midterm Exam (Fri June 17: 6pm to 8pm)	30% (eClass)
Online Quizzes	10% (eClass)
Learnsmart (online) Assignments	10% (McGraw Connect)
Final Exam (date: TBA)	50% (eClass)

Grading Guidelines

Faculty Council has established the following Grading Guidelines: *The average final grade in the course will be between 60% to 75%.* Your final letter grade will be determined relative to the grades of all other students.

Textbook:

[Brealey et al.](#), "[Fundamentals of Corporate Finance](#)" Seventh Canadian edition, McGraw-Hill Ryerson, 2020.

Note: Students are required to enroll with the online McGraw Connect resources in order to complete the Learnsmart assignments (see below).

Options for textbook and course resources:

Connect must be purchased by all students. This costs \$99 and includes the e-textbook. This is the cheapest option. The hardcopy textbook may be purchased from McGraw-Hill directly or from the York bookstore. Please make sure any hardcopy textbooks purchased come with the Connect Code.

Connect registration can be completed directly through a link posted on your eClass site. The link will be available a day or two prior to your first class.

You will also need a Passport York account to access the course files and weekly quizzes that are posted on eClass. Most students should already have one. Here is the link if you need help:

<https://registrar.yorku.ca/enrol/guide/ppy>

Assignments and Quizzes

Students will be required to complete weekly online assignments and quizzes. Students must purchase and be enrolled with the McGraw-Hill Connect resources in order to complete the Learnsmart (LS) assignments. (See Options for textbook and course resources listed above)

Financial Calculator

A financial calculator is required. A popular and easy-to-use model (used by many students and instructors) is the Texas Instruments BAII Plus (about \$45). Other models include the Sharp EL-738C (about \$35) and the Hewlett-Packard 10BII (about \$45). Instructions for these three models are given in the textbook. If you will someday pursue the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) designation, note that only two calculators are currently allowed for the CFA exams: the Texas Instruments BAII Plus (including the BAII Plus Professional), and a different Hewlett-Packard model, the HP-12C.

Midterm Exam

Will be held on **Friday, June 17 from 6pm to 8pm**. All students in all sections will write the midterm exam online, delivered through eClass.

Missed Midterm Exam

There is no makeup midterm exam. For those who miss the exam for a legitimate reason the midterm exam mark will be estimated from the final exam mark. The estimation and any further adjustments will be entirely at the discretion of the course directors and not subject to any appeal. The only documentary evidence that will be accepted to support missing the midterm due to illness is the Attending Physician's Statement (see link below). This form must be completely filled out and submitted to the School's office (282 Atkinson) within 5 business days of the missed exam; you do not need to submit an Academic Petition Form.

Attending Physician's Statement:

<https://secure.students.yorku.ca/pdf/attending-physicians-statement.pdf>

Students with a midterm conflict due to religious reasons will be accommodated. If you have such a conflict, please do the following:- (i) inform your instructor in writing by the fourth class, and, (ii) complete

and return a religious accommodation request form to the School's office (282 Atkinson). The form is available online.

<https://registrar.yorku.ca/pdf/exam-accommodation.pdf>

Final Exam

The final exam date and time will be set by the Registrar's Office and will occur sometime between **August 11 and 18**. The exam will be delivered online through eClass for all sections.

Formula Sheets

The formula sheets that you will need for the midterm and final exams will be posted on the course website at least one week in advance of the exam dates.

Deferred Standing – Missed Final Exam

Deferred standing may be granted to students who are unable to write their final examination at the scheduled time. In order to apply for deferred standing in an AP/ADMS class, students must register at:

<http://sas-app.laps.yorku.ca>

The DSA and supporting documentation must be submitted no later than five (5) business days from the date of the exam. These requests will be considered on their merit and decisions will be made available by logging into the same link as above. No individualized communication will be sent from the School to the students (no letter or e-mails).

It is the policy of the SAS finance area that instructors will NOT sign a DSA form if you miss both the midterm exam and the final exam. Students in this situation will need to petition for a deferred exam, late withdrawal or a remedy appropriate to their circumstances.

Relevant University /LA&PS/ School Regulations

The regulations on many aspects of coursework that apply to you are on this site:

<http://sas.laps.yorku.ca/students/>

You are responsible for understanding and following these regulations.

Detailed Course Schedule

Posted as a separate file on your eClass course website.

Academic Honesty and Integrity

In this course, we strive to maintain academic integrity to the highest extent possible. Breaches of academic integrity range from cheating to plagiarism (i.e., the improper crediting of another's work, the representation of another's ideas as your own, etc.). **All instances of academic dishonesty in this course will be reported to the appropriate university authorities, and can be punishable according to the Senate Policy on Academic Honesty:**

<https://secretariat-policies.info.yorku.ca/policies/academic-honesty-senate-policy-on/>

Private Third-Party Tutoring Companies, Academic Honesty and Support Resources

Many private, third-party tutoring companies advertise their services to YorkU students. One way you

can help eliminate these advertisements is by changing your eClass profile settings to private (see instructions below). Some of these private companies claim to be affiliated with, or recognized and supported by, York University. **Some also claim to help you by providing you with quiz and assignment answers, suggesting that this practice is safe and permitted by York. These claims are not true.** York University has not officially recognized or endorsed any third-party tutoring service. When you are provided with quiz, test and exam answers, you run the risk of violating the university's academic honesty policy.

Students have been caught using these services to cheat and gain unfair advantage over honest students. The cheating students and "tutors" have received academic dishonesty punishments ranging from failing courses, to being expelled, to losing their YorkU degrees. Officially supported resources to help students learn course material will be provided by YorkU officials, such as your professors and your department. These services are offered at no cost to you as a student.

If you would like help with course material, make sure you join one of our weekly [Peer Assisted Study Sessions \(PASS\)](#). If you require help with any of your numeracy-related courses that involve math, statistics or Excel, drop in online to meet with one of our peer tutors at the [Student Numeracy Assistance Centre at Keele \(SNACK\)](#).

To hide your email address in eClass: Step1: Click your name on the top-right of the eClass website, then click "Profile" on the drop-down menu; Step 2: Under "User details" click "Edit profile"; Step 3: From the "Email display" drop-down menu choose "Hide my email address from non-privileged users"; Step 4: Scroll to the bottom of the page and click on the "Update profile" button.