

COURSE SYLLABUS



COURSE TITLE:	Fin110 – The Fundamentals of Finance
CLASS SECTION:	DO2
TERM:	Summer 2023
COURSE CREDITS:	3.0
DELIVERY METHOD(S):	Online Asynchronous

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INSTRUCTOR DETAILS

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HOURS:	TBA

As your course instructor, I endeavour to provide an inclusive learning environment. However, if you experience barriers to learning in this course, do not hesitate to discuss them with me. Camosun College is committed to identifying and removing institutional and social barriers that prevent access and impede success.

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION

This course will provide the student with an introductory exposure to financial mathematics and financial concepts. Topics include: determination of interest rates, the time value of money, annuities, financing alternatives and capital budgeting. The course is a foundation course in any subsequent study of business finance.

PREREQUISITE(S):

One of:

- C in English 12, C in Camosun Alternative

And one of:

- C in Math 11, C in MATH 077, C in MATH 137, C+ in MATH 072, C+ in MATH 075, C+ in MATH 135

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES / OBJECTIVES

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Calculate the time-value of money and use this information to solve for unknown payments, final payments and equivalent payment streams.
- Use both simple and compound interest to calculate interest rate, maturity value, present value and time to maturity for items such as credit cards, student loans, treasury bills, commercial paper and promissory notes.
- Convert between different nominal interest rates to compare investments.
- Distinguish among several types of annuities and choose the appropriate formula to solve business-related word problems, such as, retirement planning, mortgage calculations, amortization, personal credit repayments and refinancing.
- Describe bonds and calculate bond purchase prices, bond market quotes and yield to maturity to make sound investment decisions.
- Choose between sinking funds or amortization to calculate loan repayment schedules.
- Use net present value and internal rate of return to determine the most profitable course of action among alternatives.

REQUIRED MATERIALS & RECOMMENDED PREPARATION / INFORMATION

Text: Business Mathematics in Canada – Jerome & Worswick, 10th edition (required, available as an e-text)

Other: Texas Instruments BAII+ financial calculator. This calculator is the only calculator allowed on exams. D2L will be used to provide additional online materials and coursework.

COURSE SCHEDULE, TOPICS, AND ASSOCIATED PREPARATION / ACTIVITY / EVALUATION

The following schedule and course components are subject to change with reasonable advance notice, as deemed appropriate by the instructor.

WEEK	ACTIVITY or TOPIC	OTHER NOTES
1: May 1	Course Welcome and Setup Math/Algebra Review	
1: May 1	Simple Interest	Chapter 7
2: May 8	Simple Interest Applications	Assignment 1 due May 13, 15
2: May 8	Compound Interest	Chapter 8
3: May 15	Compound Interest (cont'd)	Assignment 2 Due May 20, 22
3: May 22 nd	Midterm #1 May 27th 12-130 pm	Chapter 9
4: May 22 nd	Ordinary Annuities	Chapter 10, 3.3
4: May 22 nd	Ordinary Annuities, Annuities due	Chapter 11, 12
5: May 29 th	Deferred Annuities	Assignment 3 due June 3, 5
5: May 29 th	Deferred Annuities, Perpetuities	Chapter 12, 13
6: June 5 th	Midterm #2 June 10th 12-130 pm	Chapter 14.1
7: June 12 th	Amortization	Assignment 4 due June 17, 19
7: June 12 th	Bonds & Sinking Funds & Investment decisions	Chapter 14.1, 14.2
	Final Exam – TBA During the Exam Period	Chapter 15
		Chapter 16, 17

Students registered with the Centre for Accessible Learning (CAL) who complete quizzes, tests, and exams with academic accommodations have booking procedures and deadlines with CAL where advanced notice is required. Deadlines can be reviewed on the [CAL exams page](http://camosun.ca/services/accessible-learning/exams.html). <http://camosun.ca/services/accessible-learning/exams.html>

EVALUATION OF LEARNING

DESCRIPTION	WEIGHTING
Quizzes/Assignments	10%
Midterm #1	25%
Midterm #2	25%
Final Exam	40%
TOTAL	100%

If you have a concern about a grade you have received for an evaluation, please come and see me as soon as possible. Refer to the [Grade Review and Appeals](http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.14.pdf) policy for more information. <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.14.pdf>

COURSE GUIDELINES & EXPECTATIONS

Students must be proficient with basic math and algebra techniques. In addition, it is expected that students are familiar with the operation of their calculators, and that they will participate in course activities and stay current with their homework.

Deadlines and exams: You must submit your assignments on the due date or as announced. A grade of zero will be assigned to late submissions. There are no additional assignments or make-up exams of any kind if you performed poorly on an assignment, midterm or final exam.

EXAM DATES WILL NOT BE RESCHEDULED. Non-attendance on scheduled exam dates results in a zero grade. Exceptions will be made only for personal emergencies or unforeseeable extenuating circumstances in accordance with the College's Final Exam Reschedule and Repeat Policy <https://camosun.ca/sites/default/files/2022-11/e-1.17.pdf>

This is an **online course** and it is expected that students have a microphone and webcam along with a strong internet connection. Exams will be online (invigilated live or through monitoring software using a microphone and webcam). Please see Camosun's Online Learning Requirement at <https://camosun.ca/services/student-orientation/online-learning>. Please contact the library early in the semester if you need a loaner laptop.

SCHOOL OR DEPARTMENTAL INFORMATION

Assignment formatting. The School of Business uses **APA style** for formatting assignments and citing references. Proper citations and formatting using APA style will be required. See Camosun College (2018) Library Citation Guides retrieved from: <http://camosun.ca.libguides.com/apa7>

- Where required by your instructor, submit all assignments into the D2L assignments by your last name.
- In text citations for quotes, paraphrasing, and references must be consistent with APA standards.
- Grammar, spelling, style and APA formatting, citations and referencing will be assessed in your mark.
- All submitted work must be properly referenced to sources where required by your instructor.
- Unless otherwise specified, you are to submit your own work, any work collaborated (unless permitted by the course) will be considered in violation of the college's Student Conduct Policy. See Camosun College (2003) Student Conduct Policy from: <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-2-student-services-and-support/e-2.5.pdf>.

SCHOOL OR DEPARTMENTAL INFORMATION

Grading System. Standard grading system (GPA). See Camosun College (2019) Grading from: <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.5.pdf>

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITY

Enrolment at Camosun assumes that the student will become a responsible member of the College community. As such, each student will display a positive work ethic, assist in the preservation of College property, and assume responsibility for their education by researching academic requirements and policies; demonstrating courtesy and respect toward others; and respecting expectations concerning attendance, assignments, deadlines, and appointments.

SUPPORTS AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

Camosun College offers a number of services to help you succeed in and out of the classroom. For a detailed overview of the supports and services visit <http://camosun.ca/students/>.

Support Service	Website
Academic Advising	http://camosun.ca/advising
Accessible Learning	http://camosun.ca/accessible-learning
Counselling	http://camosun.ca/counselling
Career Services	http://camosun.ca/coop
Financial Aid and Awards	http://camosun.ca/financialaid
Help Centres (Math/English/Science)	http://camosun.ca/help-centres
Indigenous Student Support	http://camosun.ca/indigenous
International Student Support	http://camosun.ca/international/
Learning Skills	http://camosun.ca/learningskills
Library	http://camosun.ca/services/library/
Office of Student Support	http://camosun.ca/oss
Ombudsperson	http://camosun.ca/ombuds
Registration	http://camosun.ca/registration
Technology Support	http://camosun.ca/its
Writing Centre	http://camosun.ca/writing-centre

If you have a mental health concern, please contact Counselling to arrange an appointment as soon as possible. Counselling sessions are available at both campuses during business hours. If you need urgent support after-hours, please contact the Vancouver Island Crisis Line at 1-888-494-3888 or call 911.

COLLEGE-WIDE POLICIES, PROCEDURES, REQUIREMENTS, AND STANDARDS

Academic Accommodations for Students with Disabilities

The College is committed to providing appropriate and reasonable academic accommodations to students with disabilities (i.e. physical, depression, learning, etc). If you have a disability, the [Centre for Accessible Learning](#) (CAL) can help you document your needs, and where disability-related barriers to access in your courses exist, create an accommodation plan. By making a plan through CAL, you can ensure you have the appropriate academic accommodations you need without disclosing your diagnosis or condition to course instructors. Please visit the CAL website for contacts and to learn how to get started:

<http://camosun.ca/services/accessible-learning/>

Academic Integrity

Please visit <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.13.pdf> for policy regarding academic expectations and details for addressing and resolving matters of academic misconduct.

Academic Progress

Please visit <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.1.pdf> for further details on how Camosun College monitors students' academic progress and what steps can be taken if a student is at risk of not meeting the College's academic progress standards.

Course Withdrawals Policy

Please visit <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-2-student-services-and-support/e-2.2.pdf> for further details about course withdrawals. For deadline for fees, course drop dates, and tuition refund, please visit <http://camosun.ca/learn/fees/#deadlines>.

Grading Policy

Please visit <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.5.pdf> for further details about grading.

Grade Review and Appeals

Please visit <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.14.pdf> for policy relating to requests for review and appeal of grades.

Mandatory Attendance for First Class Meeting of Each Course

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(<http://camosun.ca/learn/calendar/current/procedures.html>) and the Grading Policy at <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.5.pdf>.

Medical / Compassionate Withdrawals

Students who are incapacitated and unable to complete or succeed in their studies by virtue of serious and demonstrated exceptional circumstances may be eligible for a medical/compassionate withdrawal. Please visit <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-2-student-services-and-support/e-2.8.pdf> to learn more about the process involved in a medical/compassionate withdrawal.

Sexual Violence and Misconduct

Camosun is committed to creating a campus culture of safety, respect, and consent. Camosun's Office of Student Support is responsible for offering support to students impacted by sexual violence. Regardless of when or where the sexual violence or misconduct occurred, students can access support at Camosun. The Office of Student Support will make sure students have a safe and private place to talk and will help them understand what supports are available and their options for next steps. The Office of Student Support respects a student's right to choose what is right for them. For more information see Camosun's Sexualized Violence and Misconduct Policy: <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-2-student-services-and-support/e-2.9.pdf> and camosun.ca/sexual-violence. To contact the Office of Student Support: oss@camosun.ca or by phone: 250-370-3046 or 250-3703841

Student Misconduct (Non-Academic)

Camosun College is committed to building the academic competency of all students, seeks to empower students to become agents of their own learning, and promotes academic belonging for everyone. Camosun also expects that all students to conduct themselves in a manner that contributes to a positive, supportive, and safe learning environment. Please review Camosun College's Student Misconduct Policy at <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-2-student-services-and-support/e-2.5.pdf> to understand the College's expectations of academic integrity and student behavioural conduct.

Changes to this Syllabus: Every effort has been made to ensure that information in this syllabus is accurate at the time of publication. The College reserves the right to change courses if it becomes necessary so that course content remains relevant. In such cases, the instructor will give the students clear and timely notice of the changes.

Accounting and Finance Students

Want to know more about events happening in the Accounting and Finance department, including recruiting and networking events? Check out <http://camosun.ca/cpa2b> for current events.