Idaho State University
Finance
Course Learning Outcomes

FIN 1115, Personal Finance
• Determine the nature and extent of the information/data needed to accomplish a specific purpose. (What kinds of data and information do I need to use to make personal financial decisions?)
• Identify sources and gather information/data effectively and efficiently. (How do I find the most reliable sources of data when there is so much available?)
• Evaluate credibility of sources and information/data. (Is this fact or fake?)
• Understand the economics, ethical, legal, and social issues surrounding the creation, collection and use of information/data. (What is the bigger picture with the data? What are the laws about collecting, using, and sharing this data?)
• Use information/data effectively to accomplish a specific purpose. (How can I use personal and internet data to make a decision?)

FIN 3315/MBA 6615, Corporate Financial Management
• Calculate and apply the time value of money concepts.
• Calculate and apply capital budgeting techniques.
• Estimate risk and expected return.
• Evaluate the relation between risk and return in a financial context.

FIN 4405/5505, Advanced Corporate Financial Management
• Apply capital budgeting and valuation concepts in a more advance setting.
• Explain the appropriate use of financial instruments to maximize shareholder value in the context of incomplete information and agency issues.
• Summarize the appropriate use of mergers and corporate restructuring.

FIN 4452/5552, Student Managed Investment Fund II
• Define and describe the investment process.
• Define, describe and perform calculations related to a portfolio’s investment characteristics.
• Perform an analysis of an industry from an investment perspective.
• Perform a financial and firm analysis of a set of companies in an industry.
• Apply discounted cash flow and relative valuation methods to evaluate potential stock investments for a chosen industry.
• Perform a valuation analysis of a set of stocks from a chosen industry.

FIN 4475/5575, International Financial Management
• The student can exchange currencies and profit from arbitrage opportunities.
• The student can explain the importance of parity relationships and demonstrate how to use them.
• The student can create trading strategies to mitigate exchange rate risk using money market hedges, forwards and options.
• The student can estimate an international discount rate and use it to discount international cash flows into home country NPV.

FIN 4478/5578, Investments
• Define, describe and perform calculations related to investment return and risk.
• Define and describe common investments and the transactions one can make with them.
• Define and describe the stock market and apply discounted cash flow and relative valuation in evaluating a stock.
• Define and describe the concepts of diversification and asset allocation.
• Define and describe CAPM and the relationship between expected return and risk.
• Define and describe the concepts of market efficiency and behavioral finance.