Course Code | FIN 3020 (online course) | Course Name | International Finance
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Course Level | The 3rd Year | Credit Hours | 3 Credit Hours
Instructor | TBD | Contact Hours | 61 Contact Hours
Email Address | TBD | Office | TBD
Language of Instruction | English | Language of Textbook | English

**Course Description**

This course deals with the workings of international financial markets and the management of multinational business. The course commences with the examination of the structure and environment of the international monetary system as it pertains to the multinational firms. The basic objective of the course is to provide a conceptual framework within which the multinational corporation makes key financial decisions. The course topics are at both micro and macro levels. Some perspective about China is added by inviting top professors from local universities to deliver seminars on China’s foreign exchange regime and the RMB as an international currency. The course will be conducted in a seminar format with a combination of lecture-discussion and case studies. The primary teaching materials are from the text and will be supplemented with handouts and online readings.

On completion of this course students should:
1. Understand the international financial framework within which firms operate;
2. Understand the market forces that affect the relative values of assets in the international market place;
3. Understand the concept of international parity conditions;
4. Understand the foreign exchange market and techniques for managing exposure to exchange rate fluctuations;
5. Understand the role of risk management through hedging to optimize returns;
6. Have developed knowledge on long term financial asset and liability management; and
7. Have developed knowledge on short term financial asset and liability management.

This course consists of 19 class sessions, including a final exam. Each class session is 160 minutes in length. Students will receive an official transcript when they complete this subject. The official transcript is issued by International Office of Shih Chien University. The number of credit hours of this course equals to that of a standard semester-long course of an Australian university.

**Course Schedule**

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25 Dec, 2020 | F | Foreign Exchange Market | 5 | Group 3
28 Dec, 2020 | M | International Parity Conditions | 6 | Group 4
29 Dec, 2020 | T | Foreign Currency Derivatives | 7 | Groups 5
30 Dec, 2020 | W | Class Quiz 1 | |
31 Dec, 2020 | TH | Exchange Rate Determination | 9 | Group 6
4 Jan, 2021 | M | Transaction Exposure | 10 | Group 7
5 Jan, 2021 | T | Operating Exposure | 12 | Group 8
6 Jan, 2021 | W | Class Quiz 2 | |
7 Jan, 2021 | TH | Global Cost of Capital | 13 | |
8 Jan, 2021 | F | Raising Equity and Debt Globally | 14 | Groups 9
11 Jan, 2021 | M | Multinational Tax Management | 15 | Groups 10
12 Jan, 2021 | T | International Trade Finance | 16 | Groups 11
13 Jan, 2021 | W | Foreign Direct Investment | 17 | Groups 12
14 Jan, 2021 | TH | Multinational Capital Budgeting and Cross-Border Acquisitions | 18 | |
15 Jan, 2021 | F | Reading Day | |
18 Jan, 2021 | M | Final Exam | |

Grading Policy

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Textbook

Reference Book
TBD

Class Policies
1. Academic Honesty and Plagiarism
USC expects honesty from students in presenting all of their academic work. Students are responsible for knowing and observing accepted principles of scholarly research and writing in all academic work.
Academic dishonesty or cheating includes acts of plagiarism, forgery, fabrication or misrepresentation, such as the following:
● claiming the work or thoughts of others as your own
● copying the writing of others into your written work without appropriate attribution
● writing papers for other students or allowing them to submit your work as their own
● buying papers and turning them in as your own
● having someone else write or create all or part of the content of your assignments
● submitting the same paper for more than one study or class without explicit permission from the faculty members.

2. General Principles
USC is committed to principles of trust, accountability, clear expectations and consequences. It is also committed to redemptive efforts, which are meaningful only in light of these principles. Students will be granted due process and the opportunity for an appeal. Academic dishonesty offenses generally are subject to incremental disciplinary actions. Some first offenses, however, receive severe penalties, including dismissal from the program.

3. General Disciplinary
The following is a non-comprehensive list of possible actions apart from dismissal from the program: warning from a professor, program director; a lower or failing grade on an assignment, test or course; suspension or dismissal from the course; suspension or dismissal from the program.

4. Disciplinary Actions for Specific Offenses
Some academic dishonesty offenses call for specific disciplinary actions. The following have been identified:
Falsification of documents:
Students who falsify or present falsified documents may be dismissed. Prospective students who are discovered to have presented falsified admission documents prior to admission shall be denied admission to the program. Should it be discovered after admission that a student had presented falsified documents for admission, such admission may be annulled and the record of academic achievement removed from the academic record, with appropriate notations. Such annulments or denials may be reviewed after one year.

Dishonesty in course requirements:
Course work (a quiz, assignment, report, mid-term examination, research paper, etc.) in which a student has been dishonest generally will receive zero points towards the grade in fulfillment of a course requirement, and/or the student may receive a failing grade for the course. The professor of the course determines the appropriate consequence.

Final assignment:
When a student cheats in a major or final assignment such as a comprehensive examination or presents plagiarized material in a major or final assignment, that student shall receive an F in that particular subject. Student cheats on more than two exams shall be dismissed from USC.

Notice
During COVID-19, the Short Term Program of Shih Chien University offers online courses
considering the health and safety of students. The online curriculum usually consists of classes, online study materials, quizzes, case studies, online discussions, group work, essays and exams. Besides professors, there will be teaching assistants and discuss sessions/tutorials assigned according to the size of classes. The specific format of online courses will vary depending on the subject matter.