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MODULE DESCRIPTOR

Module Title

Finance Theory

Reference	BSM002	Version	5
Created	January 2019	SCQF Level	SCQF 11
Approved	July 2019	SCQF Points	15
Amended	July 2019	ECTS Points	7.5

Aims of Module

The aim of this module is to enable students to critically assess the theories and principles of finance and develop these theories to analyse the behaviour of financial markets and institutions.

Learning Outcomes for Module

On completion of this module, students are expected to be able to:

1	Discuss in depth the development of the various theories and models underlying finance.
2	Critically evaluate the theories and models of financial behaviour.
3	Apply the relevant theories and models to analyse problems and issues in finance.
4	Discuss contemporary issues and current developments in finance.

Indicative Module Content

Efficient market theory; capital structure theory; agency theory; risk and return; portfolio theory; CAPM; arbitrage pricing theory; dividend policy; corporate control; term structure of interest rates; behavioural finance; derivative pricing.

Module Delivery

This is a lecture-based course supplemented by tutorials and directed learning.

Indicative Student Workload	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	36	N/A
Non-Contact Hours	114	N/A
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	150	N/A
Actual Placement hours for professional, statutory or regulatory body		

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ASSESSMENT PLAN

If a major/minor model is used and box is ticked, % weightings below are indicative only.

Component 1

Type:	Examination	Weighting:	100%	Outcomes Assessed:	1, 2, 3, 4
Description:	Closed book examination.				

MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR

Explanatory Text

The module is assessed by one component: C1 - Examination - 100% weighting. Module Pass Mark = Grade D (40%)

Module Grade	Minimum Requirements to achieve Module Grade:
A	70% or above
B	60% - 69%
C	50% - 59%
D	40% - 49%
E	35% - 39%
F	0% - 34%
NS	Non-submission of work by published deadline or non-attendance for examination

Module Requirements

Prerequisites for Module	None.
Corequisites for module	None.
Precluded Modules	None.

INDICATIVE BIBLIOGRAPHY

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