



KELCE
COLLEGE OF BUSINESS
Pittsburg State University

Course Syllabus:
International Finance
FIN 625-01 Spring 2023
KC 207
TuTh 9:30 – 10:45 a.m.

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Hours: Tu 7:30 – 8 a.m., 10:45 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.
W 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.
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Textbook

Text: (required)

1. Madura. *International Financial Management*, 14th edition. Cengage Learning, 2021.
2. *Wall Street Journal* (\$1 per week if you choose to subscribe <http://r.wsj.com/PROFtmwy>.)

Calculator: Each student is required to have a financial calculator. You are responsible for knowing how to use your calculator. Bring it to every class. You MAY NOT share calculators on quizzes or exams. You may not use the calculator function on other electronic devices.

Catalog Course Description

Foreign exchange markets, balance of payments, international investment and capital flows, as well as problems, policies and techniques for financial decision-making in a multinational environment.

Prerequisites

ECON 201 Introduction to Macroeconomics, FIN 326 Business Finance, and 55 hours completed.

Course Objectives / Learning Outcomes

The objective of this course is to provide students with a fundamental understanding of the financial markets and relations of the international financial system as it relates to the balance of payments, foreign exchange risk, and the foreign exchange market. The emphasis is on the perspective of a financial officer in the home-country headquarters having responsibility for international operations.

Teaching Methods

traditional classroom lecture

CANVAS

Announcements, grades, syllabus, and handouts will be posted on CANVAS. Other information might also be disseminated through e-mail.

Attendance Policy

Class attendance is regarded as an obligation as well as a privilege, and students are expected to attend all classes punctually. Attendance will be taken at every class meeting. Excused absences are those that result from involvement with university business only. **All other absences are unexcused absences**, unless specifically excused by the instructor. A student should submit excuses for all absences **within 24 hours**. Each student is allowed two unexcused absences. Each additional unexcused absence will result in a deduction of 1% of the final grade, up to a maximum of 5%. Attending all classes is very essential to performing well in this class. You know when your classes meet. Do not schedule appointments at the time this class meets. These absences will not be excused. If absent, the student is responsible for the material covered in class. The professor will not privately go over materials covered in class.

Classroom Conduct

Noise making, whispering, unexcused interruption of class proceedings, etc., will not be tolerated. Please let the professor know if you plan to use your laptop or iPad for note-taking. All cell phones must be **turned to non-transmitting mode** during class unless permission to use them has been granted. Any **unauthorized** use of cell phone (including your cell phone ringing or vibrating during class) will result in a **penalty of 5 points of your overall average** for this class. Professional behavior is expected at all times.

Academic Integrity

All Pitt State students are bound by the academic integrity policies of the University as described and outlined in the current Syllabus Supplement. Please familiarize yourself with these rules and guidelines. In addition, as a course offered through the Kelce College of Business, students in this class are obligated to adhere to the college's Student Code of Ethics as outlined below.

Students shall:

- refrain from class disturbances.
- arrive on time and remain until dismissed at all class sessions and to notify instructors in advance of anticipated absences, late arrivals, or early departures whenever possible.
- turn off cell phones or other electronic devices while in class, unless permission to use them has been granted.
- prepare for and participate in all classes.
- treat fellow students, staff, faculty, and administrators with respect.
- prepare assignments and exams honestly.
- avoid plagiarism or unacknowledged appropriation of another's work in any academic work. Refrain from giving or receiving inappropriate assistance.
- dress appropriately, avoiding clothing that is revealing, provocative, or includes offensive language or visuals. Dress as a professional when appropriate at ceremonies and interviews.
- respect University property and use resources in the most effective and efficient manner.
- be fair and constructive in the evaluation of faculty.
- obey the policies, regulations, and laws of the United States of America, the State of Kansas, the Kansas Board of Regents, Pittsburg State University and the Gladys A. Kelce College of Business.

Academic Misconduct Policy

Academic misconduct (cheating) by a student includes, but not limited to, **plagiarism**, giving or receiving any unauthorized aid on examinations/quizzes or in the preparation of any assignment; copying work from the internet; or knowingly misrepresenting the source of any academic work. Cheating on exams, quizzes or any other assignments is considered academic misconduct and is absolutely prohibited. No cheating of any kind will be tolerated. Anyone caught cheating will receive a grade of "F" for the **course**.

The full text of the Academic Misconduct Policy for the university can be found here:
<https://studentlife.pittstate.edu/code-of-student-rights-and-responsibilities.html>

E-mail Etiquette

Any e-mail sent to me should be treated as business letter. It should start with a formal greeting, such as “Dear Dr. Shum,” not “Hey,” “Howdy,” etc., or just no greeting of any kind. This is good practice for what is expected in the business world. Also, please include the class and section number you are in (e.g., FIN 625-01). The following is an example:

Dear Dr. Shum:

I am in your FIN 625-01 class. Would you please let me know when Chapter 1 homework is due.

Thank you, and best wishes!

Jane Doe

Students with Disabilities

Please inform the instructor if you have a learning or physical disability that interferes with course requirements. Assistance and/or appropriate accommodations may be available through the contacts listed on the current Syllabus Supplement.

Course Evaluation Methods

Exams: There will be four exams. **The Final is comprehensive. Exams may not be made up.** Exception will be granted only if the absence on the day of the exam is an excused absence, and the student provides supporting document for the excuse. If you miss an exam, you will receive zero for that exam. All exams are properties of the professor and, thus, will be retained by the professor. However, you are welcome to look at your exams during office hours.

Proper behavior is expected at all times and especially during exams. Everything, including cell phones (turned off), electronic devices, sunglasses, and caps, should be placed in the front of the classroom before exams. (If you have concealed-carry firearm, please make special arrangement on days of exams.) A student may not leave the classroom before turning in the exam. Any communication in any manner between students after an exam has started is deemed cheating for all participants. No cheating of any kind will be tolerated. Anyone caught cheating will receive a grade of "F" for the **course**.

Quizzes: There will be several quizzes. **No make-up quizzes will be given**, except for excused absences resulting from involvement with university business only.

Assignments: Problems from the end of each chapter will be assigned. Solutions to the homework problems are posted on CANVAS (see Files). Other assignments will be given during the semester. All assignments (except end-of-chapter problems) have to be **double-spaced typed in 12-point font size, printed on only one side of the paper**. They are due at the **beginning** of class on the days they are due. Any assignment turned in after that is late and will have a penalty of 10% of the point value for each day (24-hour period from beginning of class) that they are late. If you have an excused absence for the day an assignment is due and cannot submit your

homework before it is collected at the beginning of class, you should e-mail the assignment to the professor before class on the day it is due. It will be counted as late after that.

Grades:	Exam 1	20%
	Exam 2	20%
	Exam 3	20%
	Final Exam	20%
	Quizzes	5%
	Assignments	10%
	Attendance	<u>5%</u>
		100%

The grading scale is as follows:

90 – 100% = A

80 – 89 % = B

70 – 79% = C

60 – 69% = D

59 % and below = F

Other Policies

Inclement Weather: This class will meet as scheduled in case of inclement weather unless the University cancels classes.

Note: No cell phone is allowed during class. Any **unauthorized** use of cell phone (including your cell phone ringing or vibrating during class) will result in a **penalty of 5 points of your overall average** for this class. (Be sure to turn your phone to non-transmitting mode before class.)

The professor reserves the right to amend and to reorganize this syllabus at any time.

FIN 625 Course Outline

Chapter 1	Multinational Financial Management: An Overview end-of-chapter problems: 33, 34
Chapter 3	International Financial Markets end-of-chapter problems: 6, 10, 11, 24, 25 (7, 18)*
Chapter 4	Exchange Rate Determination end-of-chapter problems: 1, 21, 26, 29
Chapter 2	International Flow of Funds Exam 1 (Chapters 1 – 4)
Chapter 6	Government Influence on Exchange Rates
Chapter 7	International Arbitrage and Interest Rate Parity end-of-chapter problems: 4, 6, 21, 31, 41, 42 (2, 7, 17, 22, 32, 33, 48)*
Chapter 8	Relations among Inflation, Interest Rates, and Exchange Rates end-of-chapter problems: 18, 24a&b, 32, 35, 39, 45 (19, 25, 26, 41)*
Chapter 9	Forecasting Exchange Rates end-of-chapter problems: 10, 26, 30 Exam 2 (Chapters 6 – 9)
Chapter 10	Measuring Exposure to Exchange Rate Fluctuations
Chapter 11	Managing Transaction Exposure end-of-chapter problems: 9, 11, 12, 36, 42, 59
Chapter 12	Managing Economic Exposure and Translation Exposure end-of-chapter problem: 11
Chapter 14	Multinational Capital Budgeting end-of-chapter problems: 13, 20, 32 (28)* Exam 3 (Chapters 10, 11, 12, 14)
Chapter 17	Multinational Capital Structure and Cost of Capital end-of-chapter problems: 12, 13, 14, 23, 27, 28, 29
Chapter 5	Currency Derivatives end-of-chapter problems: 4, 10, 11, 16, 25, 41
May 11	Thursday 9:30 – 11:20 a.m. Comprehensive Final Exam

*The problems in parentheses do not need to be submitted. Students can do them as additional practice problems.

NOTE: Final Exam has to be taken only as scheduled. No early Final Exam will be given.