MULTINATIONAL FINANCE  
FIN 5335  

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Course Description:  
A study of multinational financial management as viewed and practiced by the multinational firm. Emphasis will be placed on gaining an understanding of key concepts and decision areas of the multinational firm and their relationship with exchange markets. Prerequisites: FINA 5320.

Required Materials:  
2. Financial Calculator

Prerequisites: FINA 5320 or approval of Professor

Relationship to Other Coursework:  
This course emphasizes the problems and opportunities specific to corporations with international operations, and presumes a working knowledge of the principles of finance as discussed in FINA 5311 as well as the underlying principles covered in ACCT 5312 & ECON 5311.

Learning Objective  
1. Understand the international financial environment and the role of the currency markets.  
2. Understand and explain currency exchange rate behavior.  
3. Understand the functions of the markets and institutions that facilitate international trade and the flow of currencies around the globe.  
4. Know methodologies for managing exchange rate risk.  
5. Perform long-term asset and liability management analysis.  

Instructional Methodology:  
Lectures are supplemented by class discussion, handouts, questions and answer sessions, computer presentations and videos combined with group projects and presentations.

Performance Evaluation and Grading:  
A midterm exam and a comprehensive final exam will be given. The final exam is cumulative. Test materials will come from lecture notes, the text, assigned readings, homework, and class discussion. Test format is primarily multiple choice; questions will emphasize understanding and application of concepts and topics covered. In addition, two group projects are assigned along with in class exercises.

To facilitate student mastery of financial concepts, problems will be assigned following discussion of each major topic area. Students should prepare for class meetings by studying the assigned text materials and preparing problems and other assignments prior to class.

Grades will be assigned based on the following weights:  

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The student must take the exam on the assigned date during the allocated time for the exam. No early or make-up exams will be administered. For missed exams, notify me in advance and upon returning, provide documentation from the appropriate entity that the absence was an excused University activity, a severe illness, or a dire emergency to allow your score on a cumulative final exam to be substituted for the missed exam. Otherwise, I will assign a zero for the exam.
Exams are closed book unless otherwise stated. To protect the integrity of the test banks employed to construct the exams, exams are not returned. However, exams are available for review in my office during scheduled office hours for two weeks after the exam.

Students are responsible for all material in the assigned readings, handouts, homework, and class presentations. Furthermore, students are expected to attend class on a regular basis. However, in the event of an absence, students are responsible for obtaining all missed information and notes from a classmate.

All assignments are to be turned in at the beginning of the class on their due date unless otherwise instructed. Late assignments are penalized 20 percentage points for each day that they are late.

**Oral and Written Communication Requirements:**
Effective written communication is also necessary for exams. Students are expected to participate actively in class discussion of the topics and issues covered in the course and will be rewarded though their class participation grade for doing so.

**Technological Applications:**
Students are required to use computer applications, computer databases, and online information services for this course.

**Ethical Perspectives:**
Ethics in the context of international finance and business is addressed. Significant discussion is directed towards the similarities and differences in ethical belief systems across cultures and international boundaries. Students will be asked to question why they hold the specific set of ethical beliefs they do and if economic advantages exists for certain ethical beliefs.

**Global Perspectives:**
By description, this course is a global course. As even small to mid-size firms are now involved in multinational trade and operations, corporate finance is a global activity. The primary focus of this course is on the international aspects of corporate financial management.

**Diversity:**
International finance affects and applies to all people and the concepts discussed in this course span race, gender, and national origin.

**Political, Social, Legal, Regulatory, and Environmental Perspectives:**
The course will consider the structure, laws and regulation of global financial markets and economic systems.

**Attendance Policy:**
Attendance is required and is reflected in the student’s grade. Every student is responsible for their homework assignments, lecture notes, handouts, and exams. Excuses are not accepted unless a student gains prior permission for missing a class, assignment, or exam. Gaining class notes for missed classes from other students is encouraged. The student is responsible for collecting all handouts and assignments from the professor for all classes that are missed.

**ADA Compliance**
The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is a federal anti-discrimination statute that provides comprehensive civil rights protection for persons with disabilities. Among other things, this legislation requires that all students with disabilities be guaranteed a learning environment that provides for reasonable accommodation of their disabilities. If you believe you have a disability requiring an accommodation, please contact the Disability Services Office at (361) 825-5816 or visit the office in Driftwood 101.

**Student Ethics Code**
This course, and all other courses offered by the College of Business (COB), requires all of its students to abide by the COB Student Code of Ethics (available online at www.cob.tamucc.edu) Provisions and stipulations in the code are applicable to all students taking College of Business courses regardless of whether or not they are pursuing a degree awarded by the COB.

**Academic Honesty:**
University students are expected to conduct themselves in accordance with the highest standards of academic honesty. Students are subject to penalty for all forms of cheating including forgery and plagiarism. Please refer to the Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi Student Handbook for a full discussion of University policy on academic integrity and honesty.