

PC-APPFIN Postgraduate Certificate in Applied Finance

Year and Campus:	2011 - Parkville											
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees											
Level:	Graduate/Postgraduate											
Duration & Credit Points:	50 credit points taken over 12 months part time.											
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Course Overview:	The Postgraduate Certificate in Applied Finance provides an introduction to core finance topics. It is ideal for professionals in the finance industry who seek greater knowledge of cutting edge finance theory and practice.											
Objectives:	<p>1. Learning Goal</p> <p>Graduates of this degree will be comprehensive in their understanding of financial management principles and the changing knowledge base in finance.</p> <p>Learning objectives to achieve this goal:</p> <p>On successful completion of this degree students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # Effectively communicate a detailed understanding the fundamental principles of finance; and # Analyse financial data within a constantly evolving financial environment. <p>2. Learning Goal</p> <p>Graduates of this degree will be analytically evaluative of the international context and sensitivities of financial management and financial markets.</p> <p>Learning objectives to achieve this goal:</p> <p>On successful completion of this degree students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # Describe the key institutional features of Australian capital markets; and # Describe the key regulatory authorities that influence financial decision making. <p>3. Learning Goal</p> <p>Graduates of this degree will have a comprehensive understanding of the challenges faced in corporate financial decision making and financial markets, including those involving derivative assets and the operation of the markets in these assets.</p> <p>Learning objectives to achieve this goal:</p> <p>On successful completion of this degree students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # Describe the key market features relating to derivative markets in Australia; and # Undertake valuation analysis using a range of models. 											
Course Structure & Available Subjects:	Students enrolled in the Postgraduate Certificate in Applied Finance will need to successfully complete four core 12.5 point subjects, over one semester full-time or two semesters part-time.											
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	FNCE90021 Mergers and Value Enhancing Strategies	Semester 1, Semester 2	12.50
	FNCE90022 Risk Management and Regulation	Semester 1, Semester 2	12.50
Entry Requirements:	<p>1. The Selection Committee will evaluate the applicant's ability to pursue the course successfully using the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # An undergraduate degree in a relevant discipline, or equivalent, including one or more subjects in introductory statistics and/or mathematics; and at least three years of documented relevant work experience in the finance industry; # The applicant's submitted statement of intent in seeking entry; and # Performance on the GMAT or GRE unless the applicant has met one of the approved conditions for GMAT or GRE exemption. <p>2. The Selection Committee may conduct interviews and tests and may call for referee reports or employer references to elucidate any of the matters referred to above.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <p>(a) Students who successfully complete the Postgraduate Certificate in Applied Finance may be eligible to progress to the Master of Applied Finance with 50 points credit.</p> <p>(b) Students who discontinue from the Master of Applied Finance but have successfully completed the requirements of the Postgraduate Certificate in Applied Finance will be eligible to receive the Postgraduate Certificate in Applied Finance as an exit award.</p>		
Core Participation Requirements:	<p>The Faculty of Business and Economics welcomes applications from students with disabilities. It is University and Faculty policy to take all reasonable steps to minimise the impact of disability upon academic study, and reasonable adjustments will be made to enhance a student's participation in the Faculty's programs. The BCom and Masters degrees of the Faculty of Business and Economics equip graduates with the knowledge and technical skills necessary to understand and participate in the modern business world. The degrees include the following academic requirements for study: (1) The ability to explain and evaluate concepts, theories, institutional arrangements and operations of modern mixed economies; (2) The ability to critically evaluate the economy, commerce and business in the broader social and political context; (3) The ability to explain and apply concepts across a range of commerce and business disciplines in solving business and policy problems; and (4) The ability to contribute positively to the development of organisations and society in relation to business, government and the commercial professions. All students of the Faculty's courses must possess intellectual, ethical, and emotional capabilities required to participate in the full curriculum and to achieve the levels of competence required by the Faculty. Candidates for the BCom degree and for FBE Masters degrees must have abilities and skills in communication; in conceptual, integrative, and quantitative dimensions; and in behavioural and social dimensions.</p> <p>I. Communication: The student must be able to communicate effectively and efficiently in oral and/or written form. A student must have the ability to clearly and independently communicate knowledge and application of a discipline, principles or practices during assessment tasks, and in some discipline streams.</p> <p>II. Intellectual#Conceptual, Integrative and Quantitative Abilities: The student is expected to have the ability to develop problem#solving skills and demonstrate the ability to establish study plans and priorities. These abilities include measurement, calculation, reasoning, analysis, and synthesis. Problem solving requires all of these intellectual abilities. Students should also have the ability to comprehend complex disciplinary and cross disciplinary information related to the BCom and Masters degrees.</p> <p>III. Behavioural and Social Attributes: A student must possess behavioural and social attributes that enable them to participate in a complex learning environment and the emotional health required for full utilisation of his/her intellectual abilities. Students are required to take responsibility for their own participation and learning. They also contribute to the learning of other students in collaborative learning environments, demonstrating interpersonal skills and an understanding of the needs of other students. Assessment may include the outcomes of tasks completed in collaboration with other students. Integrity, concern for others, interpersonal skills, interest, and motivation are all personal qualities that are deemed necessary for students enrolled in FBE courses. Students who feel their disability will prevent them from participating in tasks involving the inherent academic requirements of the BCom and FBE Masters courses are encouraged to contact the Disability Liaison Unit. Adjustments can be provided to minimise the impact of a disability, but students should participate in the course in an independent manner.</p>		
Graduate Attributes:	<p>On successful completion of this degree graduates will be: Knowledgeable in a broad range of financial fields including derivatives, corporate finance and investment management; Adept at</p>		

	making financial decisions on the basis of established financial theory; Aware of the importance of the adoption of appropriate risk management techniques to the modern firm; Adept at linking their own prior experience in financial markets with modern finance theory; Effective team members through participation in collaborative exercises; and Adept at retrieval of relevant information from a variety of sources.
Generic Skills:	On successful completion of this degree students should have enhanced their skills in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"># Applying financial theory and methods to knowledgably discuss the importance of a wide range of financial issues; and# Financial problem solving through the application of the necessary analytical skills and techniques.