FIN 301.01: Financial Statement Analysis

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Finance 301  
University of Montana  
School of Business Administration  
Syllabus, Fall Semester 2002

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Course Overview

Finance 301 is designed to be a foundation course in the field of financial statement analysis for the undergraduate student. Upon completion of this course, students should have an understanding of the business activities of planning, financing, investing and operating. This course demonstrates popular tools and techniques in analyzing and interpreting financial statements.

Course Prerequisites

No Freshman/Sophomore students. BADM 322

Required Materials

Other: A good financial calculator is needed.

Attendance

While I will not take attendance, your attendance and participation are essential to an understanding of the course material. Most students who do not attend my class on a regular basis tend to earn much lower grades. The class schedule will ultimately change from the preliminary schedule attached to this syllabus. Be in class to know what material we are covering, and when homework and tests are being appointed.

Grading

Final class grades will be based on the following:

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Individual exams will not be assigned letter grades. The final grade will be determined by taking the total points earned as a percentage of the total possible.

**Homework**

Graded homework assignments are listed on the Course schedule. Homework is due one week from the assignment date. Homework scores account for 20% of the final grade. No late homework is accepted. Reading the text and doing the homework is necessary in order to do well on exams. Come prepared to discuss chapter assignments each week and to work assigned problems in class. Students who do not complete the homework on a regular basis tend to earn much lower grades.

**Exams**

You will have the entire class period to take an exam. Each test will be in a multiple choice format. Every exam will be closed book and closed notes. We will review each exam at the beginning of the class period following the test. The final may be comprehensive, but the majority of the weight will be placed on the materials from the chapters covered after the second exam.

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