COURSE SYLLABUS



Course code: FIR400

Financial Institutions and Risk Management, 7,5 HE credits

Finansiella institutioner och riskhantering, 7,5 hp

Established: 2023-06-01 Established by: School of Business, Economics and IT Applies from: V24

Learning outcomes

After the completed course, the student shall be able to:

Knowledge and understanding

- characterize different types of financial institutions
- characterize regulatory setting for financial institutions in the EU
- contrast financial institutions' financial and annual reports with other non-financial companies
- identify and characterize different types of risk in financial institutions
- describe tools used to manage different types of risks in financial institutions like financing, maturity, duration gap, key ratios and limits
- characterize Fin-tech sector

Skills and abilities

- retrieve and interpret financial institutions financial statements and annual reports
- assess soundness of a financial institution
- calculate key risk management ratios and apply risk management tools

Judgment and approach

- justify the need for oversight and international regulations in the financial industry
- assess the potential impact of new regulation in the financial industry for the sector and overall economy
- discuss innovation and technological challenges for the financial industry
- explain how financial institutions can contribute to reaching UN Sustainable Development Goals.

Entry requirements

60 hp of which 45 hp in Economics including: CFB300 - Corporate Finance, 7.5 HE credits and FIE100 - Financial Economics, 7.5 HE credits or equivalent.

The forms of assessment of student performance

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Individual written exam.

Course contents

The following key concepts are covered in this course:

- Financial institutions' activities and services
- Diversification of banking activities
- Management of risk in financial institutions
- The global regulatory framework. For banks in particular
- Banks and shadow banks
- The structure of the financial system in different countries
- Dealing with distressed banks
- Financial crises
- Competitive issues in banking
- Sustainability in management of financial institution

Other regulations

Course grading: F/Fx/E/D/C/B/A - Insufficient, Insufficient- more work required before the credit can be awarded, Sufficient, Satisfactory, Good, Very Good, Excellent Course language: The teaching is conducted in English.

General rules pertaining to examination at University West are available at www.hv.se.

If the student has a decision/recommendation on special support due to disability, the examiner has the right to examine the student in a customized examination form.

Course Overlap

Read about course overlap in the Swedish version of this course syllabus.

Cycle First cycle

Progressive specialization

G2F - first cycle, has at least 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

Main field of study

Economics