Course Descriptions None 2025-2026

Course Title	International Financial Management
Course Code	EBC2070
ECTS Credits	6,5
Assessment	Whole/Half Grades

Period

Period	Start	End	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
4	2-2-2026	27-3-2026		X			X

Level	Intermediate
Coordinator	Carl Vandenboorn For more information:c.vandenboorn@maastrichtuniversity.nl
Language of instruction	English
Goals	The objective of the course is to introduce students to the fundamentals of international finance, international asset allocation and international financial management.
Description	This course deals with financial challenges you will encounter when you operate across borders, in one way or another. Whether it is the currency risk you encounter when exporting your products abroad, the decision you face to perhaps start producing a broad, or the components that you import from abroad: if you are entrepreneurial, you need a minimum knowledge of international financial management in order to adequately manage risks, and to perceive financial opportunities. In the course, we try – as much as possible – to take the view of the entrepreneur. And we want you, the students, to take that same view. Of course, as with any area of expertise, you have to acquire a basic set of tools. But the course is about much more than just a set of tools. There is a strategic element to international financial management. For example, the same currency risk that you run by exporting abroad, can be hedged in many ways: you can buy currency futures or options, but you can also decide to produce in the country to which you export, thereby providing yourself with a so-called natural hedge. As you will see, the optimal decision requires you to correctly assess the risks involved in each scenario, as well as the extent to which you can hedge these risks, and the cost at which you do so. However, as is often the case when we talk about risk in finance, there is also such a thing as a risk preference. You, the entrepreneur, need to know about international financial management as much as you need to know your own risk appetite. The course prerequisites are limited (basic finance course and basic economics course) and thus this course is very well suited for exchange students.
Literature	Butler, K. C., 2016, Multinational Finance, 6th Edition, Wiley
Prerequisites	- Basic courses in finance, economics and statistics. - Exchange students should have followed a basic finance course and basic economics course. - An advanced level of English.
Transitional Regulations	TRANSITIONAL REGULATIONS <ul class="trcohorts"> - Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - Economics and Management of Information [2024-2025 or earlier] - Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - International Business Economics [2024-2025 or earlier] - Bachelor International Business [2024-2025 or earlier] - From 2025-2026 onwards, education and exam/resit opportunities are offered. Alternative options may be available. See the Bachelor EER 2025-2026 Appendix I Article 16 for more information. <table><col style="width: 200px;"><col style="width: 120px;"><col style="width: 120px;"><col><thead><tr><th>Academic Year</th><th>Education</th><th>Exam/Resit</th><th>Replacement(s)</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>2025-2026 onwards</td><td>X</td><td>X</td><td>See the Bachelor EER 2025-2026 Appendix I Article 16 for more information</td></tr></tbody></table> TRANSITIONAL REGULATIONS <ul class="trcohorts"> - Bachelor Fiscal Economics - In 2024-2025, 2025-2026, and 2026-2027 education and exam/resit opportunities are offered. - In 2027-2028 exam/resit opportunities are offered. - From 2028-2029 onwards, the course is cancelled. <table><col style="width: 200px;"><col style="width: 120px;"><col style="width: 120px;"><col><thead><tr><th>Academic Year</th><th>Education</th><th>Exam/Resit</th><th>Replacement(s)</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>2024-2025 - 2026-2027</td><td>X</td><td>X</td><td> </td></tr><tr><td>2027-2028</td><td> </td><td>X</td><td> </td></tr><tr><td>2028-2029 onwards</td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td></tr></tbody></table> TRANSITIONAL REGULATIONS <ul class="trcohorts"> - Pre-master International Business - Marketing-Finance [2022-2023 and earlier] - In 2023-2024 education and exam/resit opportunities are offered. Alternatively, students can take EBC2054 "Investment Analysis and Portfolio Management". - From 2024-2025 onwards, the course is cancelled. <table><col style="width: 200px;"><col style="width: 120px;"><col style="width: 120px;"><col><thead><tr><th>Academic Year</th><th>Education</th><th>Exam/Resit</th><th>Replacement(s)</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>2023-2024</td><td>X</td><td>X</td><td>EBC2054 "Investment Analysis and Portfolio Management"</td></tr><tr><td>2024-2025 onwards</td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td></tr></tbody></table> TRANSITIONAL REGULATIONS <ul class="trcohorts"> - Pre-master International Business specialisation Strategic Corporate Finance [2022-2023 and earlier] - Pre-master International Business specialisation Sustainable Finance [2022-2023 and earlier] - In 2023-2024 education and exam/resit opportunities are offered. Alternatively, students can take EBC2054 "Investment Analysis and Portfolio Management" or EBC2055 "Sustainable Financial Management and Policy". - From 2024-2025 onwards, the course is cancelled. <table><col style="width: 200px;"><col style="width: 120px;"><col style="width: 120px;"><col><thead><tr><th>Academic Year</th><th>Education</th><th>Exam/Resit</th><th>Replacement(s)</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>2023-2024</td><td>X</td><td>X</td><td>EBC2054 "Investment Analysis and Portfolio Management" or EBC2055 "Sustainable Financial Management and Policy"</td></tr><tr><td>2024-2025 onwards</td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td></tr></tbody></table>
Teaching methods	PBL / Presentation / Assignment / Groupwork
Assessment methods	Participation / Written Exam / Assignment / Presentation / Take home exam
Evaluation in previous academic year	For the complete evaluation of this course please click http://iwio-sbe.maastrichtuniversity.nl/rapporten.asp?referrer=codeUM

This course belongs to the following programme / specialisation

Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - Economics	Year 3 Business Electives
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - Emerging Markets	Year 3 Elective Courses
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - Economics and Management of Information	In transition - Year 2+3 Elective Courses
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - Economics and Management of Information	Year 3 Free Elective
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - International Business Economics	In transition - Maj Finance - Core Courses
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - International Business Economics	In transition - Maj Inf Mgmt - Business Elec
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - International Business Economics	In transition - Maj Macro - Business Elec
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - International Business Economics	In transition - Maj Micro - Business Elec
Bachelor Economics and Business Economics - International Business Economics	Year 3 Business Elective
Bachelor Fiscal Economics	In transition - Year 3 Elective Courses
Bachelor International Business - Emerging Markets	Year 3 Elective Courses
Bachelor International Business	In transition - Maj Accounting - Business Elec
Bachelor International Business	In transition - Maj Inf Mgmt - Business Elec
Bachelor International Business	In transition - Maj Marketing - Business Elec
Bachelor International Business	In transition - Maj Org - Business Elec
Bachelor International Business	In transition - Maj SCM - Business Elec
Bachelor International Business	In transition - Maj Strategy - Business Elec
Bachelor International Business	Year 3 Core Courses - Maj Finance
SBE Exchange Bachelor	Bachelor Exchange Courses
SBE Exchange Master	Bachelor Exchange Courses
SBE Non Degree Courses	Bachelor Courses
Pre-master International Business specialisation Marketing-Finance	Cancelled - Disciplinary Courses
Pre-master International Business specialisation Strategic Corporate Finance	Cancelled - Disciplinary Courses
Pre-master International Business specialisation Sustainable Finance	Cancelled - Disciplinary Courses