Course Descriptions None 2025-2026

Course Title	Financial Markets
Course Code	BENC2022
ECTS Credits	5,0
Assessment	Whole/Half Grades

Period

Period	Start	End	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
2	27-10-2025	12-12-2025		X		X	L

Level	no level
Coordinator	Peiran Jiao For more information:p.jiao@maastrichtuniversity.nl
Language of instruction	English
Goals	* Understand what finance theory says about how risky securities are priced in equilibrium. * Understand what finance theory has to say about the mix between debt and equity finance for a firm. * Understand the implications of the previously mentioned points for risky investment valuation. * Understand dividends: Why do firms pay dividends? Do investors demand dividends? Should dividends matter for the firm or the investor? * Learn about derivatives and their use as risk management tools by firms and investors
Description	The course deals with basic issues in finance, such as risk diversification and asset pricing, capital structure, investment valuation, market efficiency, dividend policy and the use of derivatives.
Literature	Berk & De Marzo, Corporate Finance, Pearson
Prerequisites	BENC2004 Corporate Finance and Investment Students are expected to understand the following finance concepts: Types of securities (stocks, bonds) and their returns; the concept of risk diversification and efficient frontiers, principles of time value of money. Exchange students need to have taken at least one introductory finance course. An advanced level of English
Keywords	
Transitional Regulations	
Teaching methods	
Assessment methods	Final Paper / Participation / Written 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 Business Engineering	Year 3 Elective Courses
SBE Exchange Bachelor	Bachelor Exchange Courses
SBE Exchange Master	Bachelor Exchange Courses