Financial Markets & Institutions

Econ 340  
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Stated Learning outcomes

- To be familiar with and able to explain key elements of financial markets and how they function, including the basic theory of asset demand and determination of asset prices, the role of arbitrage in financial markets, the role of information in financial markets, and the causes and consequences of financial crises.
- To learn how to analyze the issues concerning financial markets and understands the impact of policy interventions.
- To know where to find up to date information on financial markets, to be able to chart asset prices and understand how economic developments affect prices in different financial markets.

Prerequisites and Requirements

Economics 130 or Economics 131.

Textbook and Study Guide


Grading

Your grade depends on a midterm (30%), a final (40%), and pop quizzes (30%). The lowest one score in pop quizzes is automatically dropped. No +/- will be used. Note that exam time/venue is subject to change.

Both exams are close-book exams. The final exam is comprehensive. Make-up exams are only provided with legitimate medical emergence documents.

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