



COURSE SYLLABUS DRAFT

REAL ESTATE FINANCE

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DESCRIPTION

Real Estate is one of the most important business categories as well as a key resource in the economy. Most individual investors hold a very high proportion of their wealth in property. Besides, institutional investors are allocating increasing proportions of their portfolios to this asset class. This course fills a frequent vacuum existing on most business schools in this field.

OBJECTIVES

The course helps students to gain an understanding of this important and special business and prepares them to join one of the many professional fields in Real Estate with an emphasis in economics and finance, such as economic outlook and investment analysis, portfolio management, financing, consulting, appraisal, Real Estate development, and corporate asset management. Special emphasis will be made in the recent real estate and financial crises.

By the end of the course the participants should be able to analyze, assess and evaluate real estate investment and financing proposals.



METHODOLOGY

Students will count with class slides as well as excel sheets with a number of examples. Groups of 4 to 5 students will be formed with the purpose of solving the case: “Siljan Properties”. The case will be solved throughout the course in four subsequent parts.

EVALUATION

In terms of evaluation, besides the case there will be a series of quizzes and a final exam. The quizzes will be scheduled during the course and will examine the material gradually as it is covered. Their solution will be discussed in class. The final exam will test all the material.

Grade weights will be as follows:

1. Case 35%
2. Quizzes 15%
3. Final Exam 50%.

PRE-REQUISITES

Accounting, Corporate Finance and Economics. A good knowledge of excel is highly advisable.