

MGT566 Finance for Business Decisions

Level: 5

Credit Units: 2.5 Credit Units

Language: ENGLISH

Presentation Pattern: EVERY JULY

Synopsis:

The current volatile, uncertain, complex and ambiguous (VUCA) business environment has accentuated how social, technological, and governmental disruption can impact an organisation. To deliver organisational value and implement sound financial decisions, business leaders and managers need a comprehensive understanding of finance. The financial management of an organisation determines the objectives, formulates the policies, details the procedures, implements the programmes, and allocates the budgets related to all financial activities of a business.

MGT566 Finance for Business Decisions covers fundamental concepts in corporate finance and financial management. With the proliferation of financial innovations in recent years, corporate finance has become a highly complex area of expertise. This course presents the tools and techniques required to address the key questions pertaining to dilemmas faced by financial managers: What investment projects should the company undertake? How should these investments be financed? How to evaluate the financial health of a company and manage its financial risks? The course aims to provide students with an insight into the financial management process and lay a foundational framework for making sound investment and financing decisions.

Topics:

- Financial Metrics and Financial Health Assessment
- Valuation of Financial Assets and Investment Decisions
- Revenue, Cost, and Capital Structure
- Financing Decisions and Dividend Policies
- Cash, Credit, Inventory Management and Operational Decisions
- Financial Distress and Risk Management

Learning Outcome:

- Assess the financial health of a business
- Appraise the metrics used to rank proposed investment projects
- Evaluate the cost of capital for the business and compare financing decisions
- Formulate short-term financial plans and operational decisions
- Propose strategies to protect firms against financial risks
- Critique investment, financing, and operational decisions
- Improve analytical and interpersonal skills through case studies discussions and presentations

Assessment Strategies - Regular Semester (Evening Class):

Components	Description	Weightage Allocation (%)
Overall Continuous Assessment	PRE-CLASS QUIZ 1	10

Overall Continuous Assessment	PARTICIPATION 1	15
	GROUP BASED ASSIGNMENT 1	25
Overall Examinable Components	ECA	50
Total		100

*The information listed is subject to review and change.