

Bank Management (F710402)

Course size *(nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)*

Credits 4.0

Study time 120 h

Course offerings and teaching methods in academic year 2026-2027

B (semester 1)	English	Gent	lecture	30.0h
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Lecturers in academic year 2026-2027

Lamers, Martien	EB21	lecturer-in-charge
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Offered in the following programmes in 2026-2027

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Master of Science in Teaching in Economics(main subject Business Administration)	4	B
Master of Science in Business Administration(main subject Finance and Risk Management)	4	B
Exchange programme in Economics and Business Administration	4	B

Teaching languages

English

Keywords

banks, financial intermediation, asymmetric information, risk management, regulation

Position of the course

This course explores the pivotal role that financial institutions play in society and explains their value-added and economic function. It focuses on the different types of financial institutions, the financial risks of these institutions, and how the risks can be managed. In particular we discuss interest rate risk, market risk, credit risk, and liquidity risk. The impact of regulation, especially Basel III, on the operations and risk management of financial institutions will be analyzed in detail.

Contents

- Analyze what financial institutions do and the risks they incur.
- Analyze and assess the key approaches to measure and manage interest rate risk, credit risk, liquidity risk and market risk in financial institutions.
- Analyze and assess the current practices and principles of financial supervision of the financial industry.

Initial competences

Students should follow the courses Financial Management (F710235) and Financial Risk Management (F710311), or otherwise acquired the following competences:

- 1 preparing, reading, and interpreting balance sheets, profit and loss statements, and cash flow statements
- 2 valuing assets using the discounted cash flow method
- 3 basic understanding of regression models
- 4 identify the financial risks a company is exposed to

Final competences

- 1 To understand the banking industry's value-added and economic function.
- 2 To understand what banks do, what types of banks exist, and what the size, structure and composition of the Belgian and European banking industry is.
- 3 To identify, measure, and manage the main drivers of risk in banks (interest rate risk, credit risk, market risk, and liquidity risk).
- 4 To have up to date knowledge on financial regulation (Basel III).

Conditions for credit contract

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is determined after successful competences assessment

Conditions for exam contract

This course unit cannot be taken via an exam contract

Teaching methods

Group work, Lecture

Extra information on the teaching methods

lectures + group assignment
group assignment: managing a fictitious bank through various macroeconomic scenarios (Fin Competition bank simulation game by Febelfin)

Study material

Type: Handbook

Name: The Economics of Money, Banking and Financial Markets
Indicative price: € 45
Optional: yes
Language : English
Author : Frederic Mishkin, Kent Matthews, Massimo Giuliodori
ISBN : 978-0-27373-180-1
Available in the Library : Yes
Available through Student Association : Yes
Usability and Lifetime within the Course Unit : regularly
Additional information: 1st European Edition

Type: Handbook

Name: Financial Institutions Management: A Risk Management Approach
Indicative price: € 75
Optional: yes
Language : English
Author : Anthony Saunders, Otgo Erhemjamts
ISBN : 1-264-41304-1
Online Available : Yes
Available in the Library : Yes
Available through Student Association : Yes
Usability and Lifetime within the Course Unit : regularly

Type: Software

Name: Fin competition
Indicative price: € 30
Optional: no
Available on Athena : No
Online Available : Yes
Available in the Library : No
Available through Student Association : No
Usability and Lifetime within the Course Unit : one-time
Usability and Lifetime within the Study Programme : one-time
Usability and Lifetime after the Study Programme : not
Additional information: Participation in the Fin Competition, a bank simulation game developed by Febelfin. Students learn to manage a bank in a gamified manner in several different rounds. The best teams can participate in the Grand Final, where they will play students of other universities. For more information, see: <https://www.fincompetition.be/>

References

Course content-related study coaching

The student may ask questions and problems:

- Before, during or after classes
- During office hours

Mock exam available on electronic learning environment.

Assessment moments

end-of-term and continuous assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the first examination period

Written assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the second examination period

Written assessment

Examination methods in case of permanent assessment

Peer and/or self assessment, Assignment

Possibilities of retake in case of permanent assessment

not applicable

Extra information on the examination methods

Written exam (70%) and group assignment (30%).

The points for the permanent evaluation can be transferred to the resit exam period.

Calculation of the examination mark

The final course grade is a weighted average of the end-of-term evaluation (70%) and the permanent evaluation (30%). To pass the course, the student needs to at least pass the end-of-term evaluation. If the student does not have a passing grade for the end-of-term evaluation but does have a weighted average course grade of 10/20 (or more), the final course grade will be reduced to 9/20, the highest non-passing grade.