

**DESCRIPTION OF STUDY COURSE**

<b>Course unit title</b>	<b>Financial Management for a Company</b>
<b>Programme</b>	Finance
<b>Year of study</b>	1
<b>Academic year</b>	2014/2015
<b>Level of course unit (e.g. first, second or third cycle)</b>	Master's study
<b>Course unit code</b>	MF001
<b>Name of lecturer(s)</b>	Viktorija Raņķevica, Tatjana Mavrenko
<b>Number of ECTS credits allocated</b>	9ECTS
<b>Credit points</b>	6CP, Latvian credit points are multiplied by 1,5 to get ECTS credit points
<b>Language of instruction</b>	Latvian
<b>Type of course unit (compulsory, optional)</b>	Compulsory
<b>Semester when the course unit is delivered</b>	1
<b>Mode of delivery</b>	face-to-face
<b>Aim of Course</b>	The aim of the course is to provide students with in-depth knowledge about preparing financial statements according to international accounting standards applying business analysis methods; develop students' knowledge, skills and competences in financial management of a company on national and international scale. Attention is primarily focused on applying theoretical knowledge to practice.
<b>Preliminary knowledge (prerequisites and co-requisites)</b>	Financial Accounting, Management Accounting, Financial Analysis, Financial Management, Financial Risk Management, Statistics.
<b>Course contents</b>	<p><b>Part I    <i>Financial accounting and analysis</i></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Accounting systems, their differences. Standardization and harmonization of accounting systems.</li> <li>2. Basic principles of financial reporting in accordance with IAS requirements. Requirements for data included in financial statements – comparability, relevance, reliability.</li> <li>3. Substantial errors and their correction in accordance with IAS. Events after the balance sheet date.</li> <li>4. The role of company business analysis in company management.</li> <li>5. Analysis and interpretation of financial accounts.</li> <li>6. Determining the minimal and the optimal financial indicators.</li> </ol> <p><b>Part II    <i>Financial management</i></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Financial management and its role in company management.</li> <li>2. Asset management (investment project appraisal, asset valuation, working capital management).</li> <li>3. Liabilities management (equity and debt capital management; evaluation of the cost of capital and capital structure).</li> <li>4. Company cost management</li> <li>5. Preparing company budget.</li> <li>6. Assessing and increasing the company value and the shareholders' added value.</li> </ol>

	7. Financial risk management. 8. International financial management.					
<b>Planned learning activities and teaching methods</b>	The student attends lectures, participates in seminars, prepares case analysis and practical assignments, completes and presents his/her home (independent) work. The total evaluation of the study course consists of 20% active participation in classroom activities; 60% preparing and presenting independent task; 20% written final exam.					
	<b>Teaching methods</b>			<b>Student workload</b>		
		<i>I daļa</i>		<i>II daļa</i>		
	Lecture	7.5%		10%		
	Seminars	2.5%		5%		
	Group work	10%		5%		
	Independent work/ work on a presentation	45%		53%		
	Work at the library, independent studies	35%		27%		
	Total 240 hours					
<b>Learning outcomes of the course unit</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The student has knowledge and understanding about accounting systems; their standardization; IAS requirements for financial reporting.</li> <li>The student has in-depth knowledge about company finance and its management.</li> <li>The student is able to apply independently the most recent theories of financial analysis and financial management into practice.</li> <li>The student has skills enabling him/her to analyze complicated financial management problems, critically assess the situation, and adopt decisions based on the analytical data obtained.</li> <li>The student is able to work in a team, provide arguments in order to support his/her point of view, manage conflict and crisis situations.</li> </ol>					
<b>Assessment methods and criteria</b>	Study outcomes					
	<del>The form of assessment</del>	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
	Written work in a classroom	•	•	•	•	•
	Independent work and its presentation		•	•	•	•
	Written examination	•	•	•	•	
<b>Recommended or required reading</b>	<p>Compulsory literature:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Arnold, G., <i>Corporate Financial Management</i>, UK: Prentice Hall Pearson Education, 2005, ISBN 0-273-68726-3, 1200 p.</li> <li>Atrill, P. <i>Financial Management for Decision Makers</i>, 6th ed. Harlow: Prentice Hall/Financial Times, 2009, p.624. ISBN 978-0-273-72362-2.</li> <li>Drury, C., <i>Management accounting for Business</i>, 4th.ed., UK, Cengage Learning, 2009.p.488 ISBN978-1-40861-771-5</li> <li>Drury, C., <i>Management and Cost accounting</i>, 7th. ed., UK, Cengage Learning, 2008. p.775. ISBN978-1-84480-566-2.</li> <li>Rurāne, M., <i>Finansu pārvaldība</i>, R.: LIF, 2001, ISBN 9984-95580-X, 288.lpp.</li> <li>Бригхэм, Ю., Хьюстон, Дж. <i>Финансовый менеджмент: экспресс-курс</i>, 4-е изд., Москва: Питер; Санкт-Петербург, 2007. 541 с. ISBN 978-5-91180-169-4.</li> </ol> <p>Recommended literature:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bilance, Periodical Edition.</li> <li>Copeland, T., Koller, T., Murrin, J., <i>Valuation: Measuring and Managing the Value of Companies</i>, USA: McKinsey &amp; Company, John</li> </ol>					

	<p>Wiley &amp; Sons, Inc., 2000, ISBN 0-471-36191-7, 494 p.</p> <p>9. Daves, Ph.R., Ehrhardt, M.C., Shrieves, R.E., <i>Corporate Valuation: A Guide for Managers and Investors</i>, USA: Cengage Learning South – Western, 2004, ISBN 978-0-324-27428-8, 301 p.</p> <p>10. Deaves R., Ackert, L.F., <i>Behavioral Finance</i>, USA: South –Western Cengage Learning, ISBN-13:978-5-538-75286-2, 392 p.</p> <p>11. DePamphilis, D.M., <i>Mergers, Acquisitions, and Other Restructuring Activities</i>, UK: Elsevier, 2008, ISBN: 978-0-12-374012-0, 740 p.</p> <p>12. Hawawini, G., Viallet, C., <i>Finance for Executives: Managing for Value Creation</i>, 4th ed., USA: Cengage Learning South–Western, 2011, ISBN-13:978-0-538-75134-6, 641 p.</p> <p>13. Journal of Banking and Finance, Periodical Edition.</p> <p>14. Kapitāls, Periodical Edition.</p> <p>15. Keown, A.J., Martin J.D., Petty J.W., <i>Foundations of Finance: The Logic and Practice of Financial Management</i>, USA: Pearson, Prentice Hall, 2011, ISBN-13:978-0-13-512236-5, 522 p.</p> <p>16. Latvijas ekonomisti, Periodical Edition.</p> <p>17. Ludboržs, A., <i>Pamatlīdzekļu uskaite</i>, R.: LID, 2006, ISBN 9984-9789-2-3, 48 lpp.</p> <p>18. Ludboržs, A., <i>Apgrozāmā kapitāla vadīšana nelielos uzņēmumos</i>, R.: LID, 2007, ISBN 9984978956, 288 lpp.</p> <p>19. Madura, J., <i>International Corporate Finance</i>, 8th ed., USA: Thomson South-Western, 2006, ISBN 0-324-32382-4, 705 p.</p> <p>20. Megginson W.L., Smart S.B., Lucey, B.M., <i>Introduction to Corporate Finance</i>, USA: Cengage Learning South –Western, 2008, ISBN 978-1-84480-562-4, 656 p.</p> <p>21. Needles, E. Belverd Jr., <i>Financial &amp; Managerial Accounting</i>, 7th ed.: Houghton Mifflin Company, 2004. p.657. ISBN978-1-84480-134-6.</p> <p>22. Saksonova, S., <i>Uzņēmuma finanšu vadības praktiskās metodes</i>, R.: SIA Merkurij LAT, [2006], ISBN 9984-640-38-8, 225.lpp.</p> <p>23. The Economist, Periodical Edition.</p> <p>24. <a href="http://www.bloomberg.com">www.bloomberg.com</a></p>
<b>Recommended optional programme components</b>	To be agreed at the startof the course

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