



STARK STATE COLLEGE

GENERAL SYLLABUS

Course Information

Course Name: Investments and Securities
Course Number: FIN221

Required Materials

Textbook(s): Foundations of Investments, Adair & Nofsinger, 1st Edition. Instant access is included in the course tuition and will be provided through Cengage.

Required Readings: None

Additional Materials: Microsoft Office (free as a student)
 Webcam
 Calculator: Texas Instruments BA II Plus Financial (or equivalent app)

Course Outline/Calendar

The date of coverage and order of coverage may be modified based on the faculty member and events beyond the control of faculty members that interfere with class times and teaching.

16-week Calendar	
Week	Chapter/Topic/Lab
1	Chapter 1 Introduction to Investments
2	Chapter 2 Types and Attributes of Financial Instruments
3	Chapter 3 Securities Markets and Transactions
4	Chapter 4 Mutual Funds and Other Investment Companies
5	TEST 1 Chapters 1,2,3,4
6	Chapter 5 Measuring Return and Risk
7	Chapter 6 Portfolios and Diversification
8	Chapter 7 Risk-Free and Risky Asset Allocation and the CAPM
9	Chapter 8 Asset Pricing Models and Efficient Markets
10	TEST 2 Chapters 5,6,7,8
11	Chapter 9 Portfolio Performance Analytics
12	Chapter 10 The Macroeconomic Environment for Investment Decisions
13	Chapter 11 Valuing Common Stock
14	Chapter 12 Valuing Preferred Stock
15	TEST 3 Chapters 9,10,11,12
16	Semester Paper – Corporate Bonds v. Government Securities

8-week Calendar	
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