

## Course descriptor

Title of the Minor	<b>Personal and behavioral finance</b>		
Title of the course	Personal investments methods		
Prerequisites	no		
ECTS workload	5		
Total indicative study hours	Directed Study	Self-directed study	Total
	60	120	180
Intended Learning Outcomes	<i>LO2 LO 4 LO5</i>		
Indicative Course Content	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Patterns of finance, risk management. Financial literacy</li> <li>2. Personality Theory in economics</li> <li>3. Portfolio theory and asset pricing models</li> <li>4. Theory of Effective Markets and Behavioral Finance</li> <li>5. Bank deposits and alternative banking products: preferences of an individual investor</li> <li>6. Securities as instruments of personal investment</li> <li>7. Collective investment. special investment issues</li> <li>8. Financing of new projects.</li> </ol>		
Teaching and Learning Methods	<p>The course is based on the active learning technologies, mostly at case studies. Teaching and learning methods include lectures, tutorials, seminars, case studies, group work, home assignments (individual and group projects). Assessment includes the final exam grade (50%), in-class participation (20%) and home assignments (30%).</p> <p>The final exam consists of questions for each topic of the course and lasts 80 minutes. The maximal grade for the exam is 100 points.</p> <p>The in-class participation covered the attendance and in-class activity. The maximal grade for the in-class participation is 20 points.</p> <p>The home assignments can be completed both individually and in groups (up to 5 participants). The maximal grade for an assignment is 100 points.</p>		
Indicative Assessment Methods and Strategy	Are given in the Course Syllabus		
Readings / Indicative Learning Resources	<p>Mandatory</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Hens, Thorsten, Rieger, Marc Olivier. Financial Economics. A Concise Introduction to Classical and Behavioral Finance. Springer. 2016. 386 p.</li> <li>2. Fabozzi, Modigliani, Jones. Foundations of Financial Markets and Institutions: Fourth Edition. Pearson Education Limited, 2014</li> </ol> <p>Optional</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Baker H.K., Filbeck G. (eds.) Investment Risk Management. Oxford University Press, 2015. — 712 p.</li> <li>4. Richards T. Investing Psychology: The Effects of Behavioral Finance on Investment Choice and Bias. Wiley, 2014. — 261 p.</li> </ol>		
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