



Module Definition Form (MDF)

Module code: MOD008290	Version: 6 Date Amended: 24/Apr/2025
1. Module Title	
Capital Markets and Investment	
2a. Module Leader	
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2b. School	
Faculty of Business Innovation and Entrepreneurship at ARU Peterborough	
2c. Faculty	
ARU Peterborough	
3a. Level	
6	
3b. Module Type	
Standard (fine graded)	
4a. Credits	
30	
4b. Study Hours	
300	

5. Restrictions			
Type	Module Code	Module Name	Condition
Pre-requisites:	None		
Co-requisites:	None		
Exclusions:	None		
Courses to which this module is restricted:	BSc (Hons) Accounting and Finance (including with placement and extended); BSc (Hons) Accounting and Finance [Level 6 progression]; BSc (Hons) Banking and Finance (includes extended and placement route); BSc (Hons) Business with Finance (includes extended and placement); BSc (Hons) Finance and Business Analytics		

LEARNING, TEACHING AND ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

6a. Module Description

This Capital Markets and Investment module provides a practical introduction to financial services, global capital markets and the financial investment world. This module will build on what you have learnt in the previous years and delivers concepts, terminology and knowledge to help you learn how to make investment decisions. With a focus on global markets, you will learn about key financial principles and products including equities, bonds, derivatives and investment funds. Analytical skills will be developed and opportunities to utilise professional databases will facilitate your understanding of how real markets operate.

6b. Outline Content

- The Investment Environment
- Financial Markets and Intermediaries
- Equity market fundamentals
- Fixed Income fundamentals
- Derivatives
- Alternative investments
- Investment Products

6c. Key Texts/Literature

The reading list to support this module is available at: <https://readinglists.aru.ac.uk/>

6d. Specialist Learning Resources

Professional database such as Bloomberg and VL Orbis.

7. Learning Outcomes (threshold standards)		
No.	Type	On successful completion of this module the student will be expected to be able to:
1	Knowledge and Understanding	Demonstrate advanced knowledge and critical understanding of corporate finance theory, practice and associated current research
2	Knowledge and Understanding	Critically evaluate and apply evaluation and risk management strategies to appraise the complexity and contradictions in corporate finance and international financial market contexts
3	Intellectual, practical, affective and transferrable skills	Demonstrate critical thinking skills in making advanced corporate finance decisions using highly specialised and advanced technical, professional and research skills, and be able to provide solutions from their own research
4	Intellectual, practical, affective and transferrable skills	Apply critical judgement and discrimination in the resolution of complex problematic situation and identify the limitations in corporate finance decision making process for professional practice

8a. Module Occurrence to which this MDF Refers				
Year	Occurrence	Period	Location	Mode of Delivery
2025/6	ZZF	Template For Face To Face Learning Delivery		Face to Face

8b. Learning Activities for the above Module Occurrence			
Learning Activities	Hours	Learning Outcomes	Details of Duration, frequency and other comments
Lectures	24	1-4	Lecture 2 hr x 12 weeks
Other teacher managed learning	28	1-4	Screencast 20 mins x 12 weeks, and seminars 2 hrs x 12 weeks
Student managed learning	248	1-4	Student managed learning includes time spent on online community, completion of tasks set by tutor for formative learning purposes, and independent reviews of both academic and practical literature.
TOTAL:	300		

9. Assessment for the above Module Occurrence					
Assessment No.	Assessment Method	Learning Outcomes	Weighting (%)	Fine Grade or Pass/Fail	Qualifying Mark (%)
010	Coursework	1-4	100 (%)	Fine Grade	30 (%)
Investment research project with three components.					

Assessment components for Element 010				
Component No.	Assessment Title	Submission Method	Weighting (%)	Components needed for Mark Calculation?
010/1	Preliminary investment proposal on client background and investment theory (1500 words equivalent)	Canvas	30 (%)	All
010/2	Co-creation presentation of the proposed investment portfolio (2000 words equivalent)	Scheduled Activity: Timetabled assessment task	35 (%)	
010/3	Written report on the proposed investment portfolio (2000 words equivalent)	Canvas	35 (%)	

In order to pass this module, students are required to achieve an overall mark of 40% (for modules at levels 3, 4, 5 and 6) or 50% (for modules at level 7*).

In addition, students are required to:

- (a) achieve the qualifying mark for each element of fine graded assessment as specified above**
- (b) pass any pass/fail elements**

[* the pass mark of 50% applies for all module occurrences from the academic year 2024/25 – see Section 3a of this MDF to check the level of the module and Section 8a of this MDF to check the academic year]