

Title of course	Finance and Investment – Part: Finance
Responsible instructor	Prof Dr Mareike Heinemann
Learning objectives	<ul> <li>Analyse the major types of financial decisions made by companies</li> <li>Know the tasks and main instruments of financial management</li> <li>Identify and apply key performance indicators to assess the financial health of a firm</li> <li>Know ways of identifying and planning capital requirements and liquidity</li> <li>Understand and differentiate the various forms of equity, debt and mezzanine financing in light of the legal form of the company and evaluate those with regard to their economic consequences</li> <li>Know the various forms of short-term and long-term financing and their applicability in the corporate context</li> <li>Identify the role and forms of internal financing</li> </ul>
Course contents	<ol> <li>Fundamentals         <ol> <li>Fundamentals</li> <li>Terms, goals and tasks of corporate finance</li> <li>Financial analysis</li> <li>Financial planning</li> </ol> </li> <li>The forms of financing         <ol> <li>Equity financing</li> <li>Debt financing</li> <li>Internal financing</li> </ol> </li> </ol>
Teaching methods	<ul> <li>Lectures</li> <li>Exercises</li> <li>Hermeneutic discourses</li> <li>Maieutic discourses</li> <li>Discussion</li> <li>Self-study</li> </ul>
Prerequisites	<ul> <li>There are no formal requirements. In particular, knowledge of the following compulsory modules is required:</li> <li>Mathematics</li> <li>Financial Accounting</li> </ul>
Suggested reading	<ul> <li>Preferably most recent edition:</li> <li>Akan, A. &amp; Tevfik, A.T.: Fundamentals of Finance – Investments, Corporate Finance and Financial Institutions, De Gruyter</li> <li>Berk, J. &amp; DeMarzo, P.: Fundamentals of Corporate Finance, Global Edition, Pearson</li> <li>Higgins, R.: Analysis for Financial Management, McGrawHill</li> <li>Ross, S.A., Westerfield, R.W. &amp; Jordan, B.D.: Fundamentals of Corporate Finance, McGrawHill</li> </ul>
Applicability	This module is closely linked to the following modules of the same study programme: Finance and Investment – Part: Investment This course is also applicable to other study programmes in Business or Economics offered by Schmalkalden University of Applied Sciences.
Workload	Total workload: 75 hours, of them: Lecture: 30 Self-study: 45, of them:



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ECTS credit points and weighting factor	5 ECTS credit points (together with Finance and Investment – Part: Investment);
	Weighting factor:
	a) Study programmes in Business and Economics and in International Business and Economics: 5/180
	<ul> <li>b) Study programmes in Economics and in Business Administration: 5/210</li> </ul>
Basis of student evaluation	Comprehensive written examination, partial exam, 30 minutes (50% of the course Finance and Investment)
Time	2 <sup>nd</sup> semester
Frequency	Each academic year
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