

MSc Finance - International Applicant Entrance Exam information, September 2022

| Type of the exam | Written |
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| Name of the exam | Finance Master |
| Duration of the exam | 30 minutes |
| Method of the exam | Online |
| Short description of the exam | Multichoice test from basics Corporate Finace |
| Materials that can be used during the exam | Open book |
| Recommended reading materials | Richard Brealey and Stewart Myers and Franklin Allen: Principles of Corporate Finance, McGraw Hill |
| Topics | 1. Pricing of financial assets, company and capital market, real and financial assets of the company, factors determining their value. 2. Pricing of various cash flows; interest rate, rate of return calculation - discounting; present value, future value determination; valuation of regular cash flows; discount factor - annuity factor; present value of series of cash flows; net present value; factors determining the level of interest rates; real interest rate - nominal interest rate; yields - yield curve basic concepts. 3. Annuities, perpetuities 4. Bond pricing (fixed income) 5. Basic, equity valuation, pricing, P/E ratio, DDM model, Expected return and risk of investments and securities (return spread); 6. Portfolio return and risk, diversification, efficient portfolios, optimal portfolio; assumptions and statements of CAPM model, Beta calculation; 7. Basics of derivative products (futures, forwards, and options); 8. Fundamentals of corporate financial decisions; purpose, operation, financial objectives and instruments of the company; Basic of capital budgeting and investment decisions; cash flow of investments (projects); Project evaluation criteria (payback period, discounted payback period, NPV, internal rate of return); 9. Cost of capital calculation, Debt policy; 10. Dividend policy |
| Sample questions | When there are no taxes and capital markets function well, the market value of a company does not depend on its capital structure. How do we call this proposition? a. Miller Modigliani (MM) proposition I. b. Miller Modigliani (MM) proposition II. c. Miller Modigliani (MM) irrelevance dividend policy I. d. Miller Modigliani (MM) credit irrelevance proposition II. 2. Based on the CAPM how much is the beta of the market portfolio? a. 0 b. 1 c. 0.5 d1 |

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| Type of the exam | Oral |
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| Name of the exam | Finance |
| Duration of the exam | 15-20 minutes |
| Method of the exam | Online |
| Short description of the exam | The applicants receives two-three questions concering the topics of basic coroporate finance and related financial markets. The members of the selection committee will then ask further questions based on what the applicant answered. These questions can be related not only to the designated corporate finance topics but also to practice. In the second part of the discussion, questions assessing the motivation of the applicant follow. What successes have you achieved so far (any dissertation, internship, part-time study abroad, etc.)? Why is it important for him to get a degree in finance? What are the financial issues that interest you, either personally or as a result of your work? |
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| Topics | Basic financial mathematics (present value, rate of return, IRR calculations), Valuing bonds, Value of common stock, Net Present Value and other investment criteria, Making investment decisions with the Net Present Value rule, Dividend Discount Model, Introduction to risk and return, Portfolio theory, Functioning of derivative markets (Forwards, futures, and basics of option market), Capital budgeting, Financing decisions and market efficiency, Payout policy and capital structure |
| Sample questions | What is beta in CAPM? How do you price a bond? What is IRR of an investment? |