CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY CHANNEL ISLANDS

NEW COURSE PROPOSAL

PROGRAM AREA

1. Catalog Description of the Course. [Follow accepted catalog format.]

Prefix BUS  Course# 541  Title SPECIAL TOPICS IN FINANCE  Units (3)
3 hours  Seminar per week  
Prerequisites  Consent of instructor  
Corequisites  
Description  In-depth analysis of current topics in finance. Topics vary each semester. Repeatable by topic.

Graded  Repeatable for up to 6 units  
Categories  
Lab Fee Required  
Optional (Student’s choice)  
Total Completions Allowed  

2. Mode of Instruction.

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3. Justification and Learning Objectives for the Course. (Indicate whether required or elective, and whether it meets University Writing, and/or Language requirements) [Use as much space as necessary]

Justification: This course provides an in-depth analysis in finance at the graduate level. Students are introduced to research at the forefront of the field and benefit from the specific expertise of the instructor.

Learning Objectives:
Upon completion of this course students will be able to:
(Press enter for the next bulleted item)

- Identify specific problems in finance.
- Apply the appropriate analytical tools to address specific problems in finance.
- Summarize and report findings related to the description, assessment or solution of problems in finance.

This course is an elective for the MBA Program

4. Is this a General Education Course  YES  NO

If Yes, indicate GE category and attach GE Criteria Form:

A (English Language, Communication, Critical Thinking)
A-1 Oral Communication  
A-2 English Writing  
A-3 Critical Thinking  

B (Mathematics, Sciences & Technology)
B-1 Physical Sciences  
B-2 Life Sciences – Biology  
B-3 Mathematics – Mathematics and Applications  
B-4 Computers and Information Technology  

C (Fine Arts, Literature, Languages & Cultures)
C-1 Art

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5. **Course Content in Outline Form.** [Be as brief as possible, but use as much space as necessary]
   *(Press enter for the next bulleted item)*

Varies by semester. Example of one semester:

- Decision Making in Finance
- Risk and Uncertainty: Portfolio Theory
- Investor Psychology and Overreaction
- Loss Aversion and Disappointment Aversion
- Bounded Rationality

Does this course overlap a course offered in your academic program?  **YES** ☐  **NO** ☑
If YES, what course(s) and provide a justification of the overlap?

Does this course overlap a course offered in another academic area?  **YES** ☐  **NO** ☑
If YES, what course(s) and provide a justification of the overlap?
Signature of Academic Chair of the other academic area is required on the consultation sheet below.

6. **Cross-listed Courses (Please fill out separate form for each PREFIX)**

List Cross-listed Courses

Signature of Academic Chair(s) of the other academic area(s) is required on the consultation sheet below

Department responsible for staffing:

7. **References.** [Provide 3 - 5 references on which this course is based and/or support it.]
   *(Press enter for the next number)*

   4. Other materials to be selected by the instructor.

8. **List Faculty Qualified to Teach This Course.**

   Prof. William Cordeiro
   Prof. Dennis Muraoka
   Prof. Paul Rivera
   Prof. Ashish Vaidya
   Finance Faculty

9. **Frequency.**
   a. Projected semesters to be offered:  Fall ☐  Spring ☑  Summer ☐

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10. **New Resources Required.** YES ☐ NO ☑
If YES, list the resources needed and obtain signatures from the appropriate programs/units on the consultation sheet below.

   a. Computer (data processing), audio visual, broadcasting needs, other equipment

   b. Library needs

   c. Facility/space needs

11. **Will this new course alter any degree, credential, certificate, or minor in your program?** YES ☐ NO ☑
If YES attach a program modification form for all programs affected.

   ____________________________________________________________________________

   Proposer of Course                               Date
Approvals

___________________________________________________  
Program Chair  Date  

___________________________________________________  
General Education Committee Chair  Date  

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Curriculum Committee Chair  Date  

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Dean  Date
1. Course Title: _____

2. Program Area: _____

**Recommend Approval**

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