

NEW COURSE PROPOSAL

PROGRAM: BUSINESS

1. Catalog Description of the Course. *[Include the course prefix, number, full title, and units. Provide a course narrative including prerequisites and corequisites. If any of the following apply, include in the description: Repeatability (May be repeated to a maximum of ___ units); time distribution (Lecture ___ hours, laboratory ___ hours); non-traditional grading system (Graded CR/NC, ABC/NC). Follow accepted catalog format.]*

FIN 490. SPECIAL TOPICS (3)

Three hours per week.

Prerequisite: Consent of instructor.

In-depth analysis of current topics in finance. Topics vary each semester. Repeatable by topic.

2. Mode of Instruction.

	Units	Hours per Unit	Benchmark Enrollment
Lecture			
Seminar	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>20</u>
Laboratory			
Activity			

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]*

This course provides an in-depth analysis of issues in finance which may not be addressed thoroughly in other courses. Students are introduced to research at the forefront of the field and benefit from the specific expertise of the instructor.

Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:

- 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.

4. Is this a General Education Course **NO**

5. Course Content in Outline Form. *[Be as brief as possible, but use as much space as necessary]*

Sample course outline: Seminar in Behavioral Finance

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

6. References. [Provide 3 - 5 references on which this course is based and/or support it.]

References for Sample Course Outline:

Camerer, Colin. "Individual Decision Making." The Handbook of Experimental Economics. Princeton, N.J.: Princeton University Press, 1995: Chapter 8.

Daniel, Kent D., David Hirshleifer, and Avanidhar Subrahmanyam. "Investor Psychology and Security Market Under- and Overreactions." The Journal of Finance, Vol. LIII, No. 6, December 1998: 1839.

Epstein, L. and S. E. Zin, "The independence axiom and asset returns," Journal of Empirical Finance, v8 537-572.

(2001).

Other materials to be selected by the instructor.

7. List Faculty Qualified to Teach This Course.

Prof. Dennis Muraoka

Prof. Paul Rivera

Prof. Ashish Vaidya

Finance Faculty

8. Frequency.

a. Projected semesters to be offered: Fall _____ Spring ___x___ Summer _____

9. New Resources Required.

None.

10. Consultation.

Attach consultation sheet from all program areas, Library, and others (if necessary)

11. If this new course will alter any degree, credential, certificate, or minor in your program, attach a program modification.

Proposer of Course

Date