

# FIN-700 Empirical Corporate Finance

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Cursus	Sem.	Type
Finance		Obl.

English Language of teaching 3 Credits Session Exam Multiple Workload 90h Hours 28 Lecture 28 Number of positions

### Frequency

Every year

#### Remark

If you would like to attend this course, please send an email to: edfi@epfl.ch to register

### **Summary**

The aim of this course is to develop research capabilities in empirical corporate finance, introduce methodologies to conduct empirical research in corporate finance, develop research ideas for term papers and dissertation topics.

#### Content

The course provides an overview of empirical methods for corporate finance research, seminal contributions in theoretical and empirical corporate finance, and recent advances in empirical corporate finance.

Major topics include corporate investment decisions, capital structure, internal and external financing, financial contracting, internal corporate governance, sustainable finance, market for corporate control, venture capital, and initial public offerings.

Review academic literature in empirical corporate finance. Link contributions in theoretical corporate finance to empirical tests. Provide overview of reduced-form and structural approaches to empirical research in corporate finance. Present and discuss current research topics and seminal contributions. Develop novel research questions and outline future research directions.

## Keywords

Empirical Research; Corporate Finance.

### **Learning Prerequisites**

Important concepts to start the course

First class in econometrics at graduate level.

#### **Assessment methods**

Written exam.

### Resources

## Websites

• https://hec.unil.ch/hec/recherche/fiche?pnom=nschuerhoff&dyn\_lang=en