

FIN-617

Empirical Corporate Finance

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Cursus	Sem.	Type
Finance		Obl.

Language of teaching	English
Credits	2
Session	
Exam	Multiple
Workload	60h
Hours	42
Lecture	12
Exercises	30
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 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.

Content

Major topics include corporate investment decisions, capital structure, internal and external financing, financial contracting, corporate governance, market for corporate control, network effects in corporate finance, application of machine learning/AI in corporate finance.

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.

Assessment methods

Take home exam, combined with graded referee reports and presentations

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