

Master of Commerce in Finance Handbook 2025

Programme Code: CCA01 Plan Code: CFAFIN60 NQF Exit Level: 9 NQF Credits: 180

Student numbers: 24 students in 2025

All applicants for the Masters' Program are assessed by the School's Postgraduate Committee. Applicants are expected to have achieved an average of at least 65% for Honours in Finance. Foreign applicants should note that they must have their prior degrees assessed by the South African Qualifications Authority before making application to the School. Since the Masters' in Finance follows the Honours in Finance, most of the students are selected from the Wits Honours program. Because of the specialized knowledge gained at undergraduate and Honours levels, it is unlikely that anyone who has not gone through these programs, will pass the Masters' degree.

OPTION 1: M. COM IN FINANCE BY 100% RESEARCH – degree code CRA00**

Length of Degree: Minimum of 1 academic year (full time) or two years (part time)

Format: The candidate must present a supervised Masters' dissertation (40,000-60,000 words) on a topic *previously* approved by the Graduate Studies Committee (GSC) of the faculty who submit it to Senate for final approval.

Getting Approval: Before commencing work on the dissertation, the candidate must do two things:

1. Decide on a research problem to be investigated and a topic followed by finding a supervisor (normally a qualified senior member of staff).
2. The candidate is then required to present a proposal (not more than 25 pages) to the Graduate Studies Committee (GSC) of the Faculty in accordance with guidelines published by the Faculty. The GSC only meets approximately four times a year. The candidate must therefore liaise with the supervisor and the post-graduate administration officer on a date to present and defend the proposal. The proposal must be handed in two weeks before this date.

The Dissertation: The Master's dissertation must be exactly that: a research work that shows the candidate's *mastery* of a certain area. The M. Com in Finance will normally include an empirical research project, preceded by a comprehensive literature review. University and Faculty rules and guidelines apply.

**** please note that the M. Com degree in Finance by 100% research will only be allowed in exceptional circumstances and must make a substantial contribution to the body of knowledge. Approval must be obtained from the Head of Division and the Head of School**

OPTION 2: THE M.COM IN FINANCE BY 50% COURSEWORK AND 50% RESEARCH - degree code: CCA01.

Structure of Program:

The Coursework Masters' program is structured as a one-year full-time program or a two-year part-time program. The Coursework Masters' in Finance programme comprises a research report (20,000-25,000 words) together with a total of 6 courses, namely 4 compulsory and 2 electives as shown below. For non-Wits students on the program the coursework Masters' in Finance includes an additional voluntary course in research methods which will aid candidates in completing the research report (FINE7021A).

A student will be required to pass the research report plus six courses (15 credits each) from the list below:

COURSES: COURSE DESCRIPTION CREDITS

Compulsory courses:

FINE7021A	Business Finance Research Report	90
FINE7074A	Advanced Theory of Investment - Compulsory	15
FINE7073A	Advanced Theory of Corporate Finance - Compulsory	15
FINE7072A	Portfolio Management and Financial Modelling – Compulsory	15
FINE7076A	Advanced Financial Risk Management – Compulsory	15

In addition, a candidate shall be required to pass two elective courses from the list below:

FINE7075A	Advanced Theory of Derivatives - Recommended elective	15
ECON7061A	Time-series Econometrics – Recommended elective	15
ECON7060A	International Finance – Recommended elective	15
FINE7077A	Fintech - Recommended elective	15
FINE7029A	Mathematics of Finance – not on offer in 2025	15
FINE7034A	Corporate Governance - not on offer in 2025	15
FINE7035A	Financial Regulations - not on offer in 2025	15
FINE7036A	Issues in Banking - not on offer in 2025	15
FINE7038A	Real Estate Management - not on offer in 2025	15

Subject to the approval of the Head of the Finance Division and the Head of School, any other course at master's level from within the University may be taken, provided the candidate meet the minimum requirements of such course and that such course fit in with the Master of Finance Programme.

COURSE DETAILS:

FINE7021A Business Finance Research Report (90 credits), i.e., 50% of the degree

NQF Level: 9; Wits credits: 90

Candidates will be required to successfully complete a research report that is weighted 50% (90 credits) of the program. A minimum of 50% is required to pass.

The Research Report is expected to be completed alongside the coursework. The research proposal for the Research Report must be submitted for approval by the School's Postgraduate Committee and academic staff by 30th September 2025. Therefore, work on the research proposal should commence in the first semester and be completed during the July vacation. The completed Research Report (**20,000-25,000 words**) must be submitted at least three months before the end of the period of registration to allow sufficient time for internal and external examination.

In addition, a student will be required to pass six courses (15 credits each) from the list below:

FINE7074A Advanced Theory of Investment (15 credits) compulsory

NQF Level: 9; Wits credits: 15

Contact hours: 2 blocks (36 hours)

Lecturers: Prof Christo Auret
Mr James Britten

This course examines the empirical and theoretical research relevant to investment. Seminal studies in addition to the latest research from accredited journals will be examined. The course format consists of

30 seminar presentations by students where research papers are analysed and discussed. Advanced Theory of Investment is divided into several topics:

- Statistical Properties of Security Returns
- Efficient Capital Markets
- Behavioural Finance and Capital Markets
- Portfolio Theory and Asset Pricing
- Portfolio Management and Evaluation
- Capital Flows, Leverage and Liquidity

Specifically, the **Statistical Properties of Security Returns** section aims to provide students with an understanding of the pattern of security returns from a trading and portfolio management perspective. That is, the empirical work examining how security prices react to information within a single market in addition to the co-movements of security returns across different markets and economies is investigated.

Efficient Capital Markets scrutinises the Efficient Market Hypothesis (EMH) from its initial articulation by Fama (1970) to its latest refinements.

Behavioural Finance explores investor psychology and its impact on the securities market. This topic is linked to Efficient Capital Markets as behavioural finance theories contrast the EMH explanation of the pattern of asset price behaviour.

Portfolio Theory and Asset Pricing explores the efficacy of the capital asset pricing model (CAPM), from a theoretical and empirical point of view, in explaining security returns. Also, persistent security return anomalies (such as the value premium) are examined.

Portfolio Management and Evaluation appraises various performance measurement and investment benchmark construction techniques within the broader investment management context. Furthermore, the vulnerability of several performance measures to manipulation is also explored.

Lastly, **Capital Flows, Leverage and Liquidity** considers the macroeconomic linkages that affect the financial system and securities markets. Moreover, the critical interaction between leverage and market liquidity, and their ultimate effect on asset prices is surveyed.

Students will be evaluated on their executive summary of the article presented, the presentation of the article and class participation. NOTE that an *Executive Summary* of the article to be presented on Tuesday must be submitted to the lecturers, Prof Auret and Mr Britten, in the latest Word-format on or before 14h00 on the Friday before the lecture the following Tuesday. Failure to submit this executive summary will result in a severe loss of marks. This is not negotiable.

ALLOCATION OF MARKS:

- 40% for article presentation. Of this, 50% will be allocated for content (i.e., the *Executive Summary*) and 50% for the Power Point slides and the actual presentation (i.e., the “song-and-dance”)
- 15% for Test
- 5% for class participation and/or acting as discussant of other articles being presented.
- 40% for Exam

FINE7073A Advanced Theory of Corporate Finance (15 credits)

compulsory

NQF Level: 9; Wits credits: 15

Contact hours: 2 blocks (36 hours)

Lecturers: **Prof Christo Auret**

Mr James Britten

This course examines the empirical and theoretical research relevant to Corporate Finance. Seminal studies in addition to the latest research from accredited journals will be examined. The course format consists of 30 seminar presentations by students where research papers are analysed and discussed. Advanced Theory of Corporate Finance is divided into several topics:

- Agency Theory
- Capital Structure
- Investment Banking and IPOs
- Dividend Theory
- Market for Corporate Control
- Loan Syndication, CDOs and Default Risk
- Capital Budgeting

Specifically, **Agency Theory** deals with the separation of ownership and control and its effect on managerial behaviour, and ultimately its influence on the value of a firm. This topic also addresses the interaction of corporate governance, ownership structure and firm value.

Capital Structure examines the consequences of different combinations of debt and equity on the cost of capital of a firm. Also, the impact of firm characteristics on the choice of capital structure and the importance of information asymmetries is explored.

Investment Banking and IPOs examines the role of investment banks in the securities market and their effect on asset prices. Furthermore, the determinants of IPOs, leveraged buyouts and their link with Agency Theory are examined.

Dividend Theory reviews the literature relating to the determinants of dividend policy and examines their potential importance as a signalling device.

The **Market for Corporate Control** links in with Investment Banking and IPOs and Agency Theory. This topic surveys the role of capital markets both as a monitoring/disciplinary mechanism and as a medium of allocating capital efficiently.

Loan Syndication, CDOs and Default Risk.

Lastly, **Capital Budgeting** appraises salient issues surrounding the use of the net present value (NPV) criterion in financing decisions and reviews how imperfect capital markets can in certain circumstances distort capital budgeting decisions. Please note that the Capital Budgeting articles are available on CANVAS ULWAZI for students to access. Capital Budgeting will not be examined in 2024.

Students will be evaluated on their executive summary of the article presented, the presentation of the article and class participation. NOTE that an *Executive Summary* of the article to be presented on Wednesday must be submitted to the lecturers, Prof Auret and Mr Britten, in the latest Word-format on or before 14h00 on the Friday before the lecture the following Wednesday. Failure to submit this executive summary will result in a severe loss of marks. This is not negotiable.

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- 40% for article presentation. Of this, 50% will be allocated for content (i.e., the *Executive Summary*) and 50% for the Power Point slides and the actual presentation (i.e., the “song-and-dance”)
- 15% for Test
- 5% for class participation and/or acting as discussant of other articles being presented.
- 40% for Exam

FINE7072A Portfolio Management (15 credits) compulsory**NQF Level: 9; Wits credits: 15****Contact hours: 2 blocks (36 hours)****Lecturers: Dr. Delane Naidu**

This Course extends the topics to Portfolio Management as initiated in the Business Finance undergraduate and Honours courses. It initially revisits seminal concepts found in Modern Portfolio Theory and Asset Pricing. Students are thereafter introduced to contemporary methods in these topics, which are heavily drawn from Data Science. This includes the introduction of coding in a statistical package. The course further covers advanced topics in asset allocation, the investment management process, equity portfolio investing and equity portfolio construction, global investing, alternative investment classes, performance measurement and attribution, incentives, and ethics. This course will consist of:

1. Modern Portfolio Theory: Mean Variance Uncertainty, Asset Pricing Models, Portfolio Optimisation
2. Risk Management and Investing: Portfolio Risk Measures (Basic & Advanced), The Black-Litterman Model, The Treynor-Black Model, Risk-Weighted Portfolio Optimisation
3. Financial Data Science: Bayesian statistics, Copulas, Threshold models (VAR, VECM, GARCH extensions), Extreme Value Theory, Artificial Intelligence
4. Contemporary topics in portfolio management: Factor Investing (such as ESG investing), Behavioural Portfolio Management, Bubbles and crashes, Alternative Asset Classes, Attribution, Incentives and Ethics

ALLOCATION OF MARKS:

- 40% for Assignments and Presentations
- 20% for Class Participation
- 20% for Written Exam
- 20% for Practical Exam

FINE7076A Advanced Financial Risk Management (15 credits) compulsory**NQF Level: 9; Wits credits: 15****Contact hours: 2 blocks (36 hours)****Lecturers: Prof Gary van Vuuren**

This course provides a theoretical and practical framework of advanced topics in Financial Risk Management. Greater emphasis will be on practicalities.

Risk management has emerged as the key challenge for every participant in financial markets. Financial risk management is at the heart of many critical decisions: day-to-day operations, resource allocation, strategic planning, capital structure, legal exposure, and performance measurement. Increasingly, success depends upon the quantification and management of complex risks.

This course is tailored to provide students with the advanced skills necessary for the field of financial risk management, building on the groundwork done at an Honours level. It expands the scope of the Honours curriculum to include contemporary topics that face risk managers (from traditional and specialist perspectives). To that extent, it would be extremely advantageous for the student to either have successfully completed the Honours in Financial Risk Management or at least have a basic understanding of the subject and to be very strong in quantitative analytics and mathematics.

The course is essential for anyone in or planning to enter careers in the financial sector, retail banking, investment/merchant banking, asset management, corporate finance, and strategic consultancy. Topics covered are:

- Traded/non-traded market risk, Value at Risk (VaR), expected shortfall
- Liquidity risk
- Credit risk, credit portfolio modelling, expected and unexpected credit losses, role of asset correlations, procyclicality
- Emerging risks (e.g., conduct, cybercrime, climate, competition, significant change, evolving culture, fintech and regtech)
- Balance sheet optimisation and stress testing
- Regulatory issues (Basel) and challenges, what's coming next

ALLOCATION OF MARKS:

- 45% for Assignments and Presentations. Of this, 70% will be allocated for content (i.e., the Executive Summary)
- 15% for Class Participation
- 40% for Written Exam

FINE7075A Advanced Theory of Derivatives (15 credits) elective

NQF Level: 9; Wits credits: 15

Contact hours: 2 blocks (36 hours)

Lecturers: Mr David Sacks of Absa Capital

The course comprises 6 parts. The first part presents the foundation and fundamentals of interest rates, and the interest rate curves and bootstrapping process. The second part focuses on interest rate derivatives such as FRAs and Swaps and the pricing thereof. The third part is structured around non-linear derivatives (i.e.: options) and delves into the different pricing models for these instruments and their associated variables. The fourth component covers Forwards and Futures and the market structure for these derivatives and the different considerations when pricing these instruments on different assets. The focus of the fifth component of the course is around Foreign Exchange derivatives, both linear and complex. The sixth component culminates with hybrid derivatives which are comprised of vanilla instruments and a derivative element.

This course is structured as a practitioners' approach to the pricing and manipulation of various derivatives and interest rate products. The course begins with a visual approach to Black-Scholes option theory and follows onto interest rates and the nuances created by market conventions in this space. Interest rate conversion and discount factors are discussed and culminate in bootstrapping methodologies and the Excel implementation of these methodologies. Conventions and spread relationships between curves of varying credit quality are discussed and this leads into the pricing of more exotic interest rate derivatives.

The pricing of FRAs, STIRs, Swaps, deferred Swaps, basis Swaps, cross currency Swaps, Bonds and FRNs are discussed as well as the implication of interest rates on foreign exchange transactions. Interest rate theory then moves to the real space as inflation linked bonds and derivatives are discussed as well as the pricing of such instruments and their relation to nominal interest instruments.

A discussion of credit derivatives will be followed by derivatives on the discount function itself. These topics lead to an analysis of risk in these instruments by considering yield curve risk and analysing hedging strategies of various interest rate products.

Once the interest rate space has been sufficiently explained this will lead back to option theory in the instruments discussed. The binomial model, the Black-Scholes model and Monte Carlo methods will be discussed in the pricing of bonds, caps, floors, options on STIRs and Swaptions. More complex products such as convertible and structured bonds will also be discussed.

Once options are concluded the course will take a more practical turn. Market structure, including actors, agents and execution will be discussed in the interest rate space including a brief overview of

the current regulatory and legal environment surrounding the instruments. The causes and implications of the credit crisis will be discussed, and the course will be concluded with an examination of data analysis including an Excel plug-in called QuantlibXL

ALLOCATION OF MARKS:

- 60% for seven Assignments constituting the Year Mark
- 40% for Written Exam

ECON7061A Time Series Econometrics (15 credits) elective

NQF Level: 9; Wits credits: 15

Contact hours: 2 blocks (36 hours)

Lecturers: Prof. Greg Farrell

This course examines the models and statistical techniques used to study time series data in economics. It builds on honours-level econometrics courses and covers univariate and multivariate models of stationary and non-stationary time series, with a focus on applications in macroeconomics, international finance and finance. The course aims to provide students with sufficient background to enable them to read the recent literature that uses time series methods and introduce them to the techniques required to undertake research using time series econometrics.

At the end of the course, students should be able to understand and apply unit root tests and cointegration analysis, to appreciate the role of VAR, SVAR and equilibrium-correction models, to model panel time series data and to use conditional heteroscedasticity models to model volatility. The course will include a number of classes in the computer lab, using the R and EViews software packages. By the end of the course, students will be expected to be proficient in R and EViews.

Time Series Econometrics Course outline

1. Preliminaries - Review of time series concepts - The spurious regression problem.
2. Univariate ARMA models - Properties of ARMA models - Identifying ARMA models in practice - Forecasting with ARMA models.
3. Nonstationarity and trend-cycle decompositions - Trend stationarity vs difference stationarity - Testing for unit roots - The size and power of unit root tests - Extracting cyclical information (univariate filters, dating cycles, state space modelling and the Kalman filter).
4. Stationary multivariate models - Vector autoregressive (VAR and VARX) models - Structural VAR (SVAR) models - Impulse response functions and variance decompositions - Granger causality.
5. Analysing Cointegrated I (1) processes - Cointegration and common trends - ARDLs, ECMs and cointegration - Single equation approaches to cointegration - System approaches: the Johansen approach.
6. Conditional heteroscedasticity models: modelling volatility - Autoregressive Conditional Heteroskedasticity (ARCH) models - Generalised ARCH (GARCH) models - Nonlinear GARCH models: the EGARCH and GJR models – Extensions.
7. Panel Time-Series - Stationarity testing in panels - Cross-section dependence testing - Cointegration testing and estimation in heterogeneous parameter models.

ALLOCATION OF MARKS:

- 30% for Tests and Assignments
- 30% for Practical exercises
- 40% for Written Exam

To pass the course the student requires a course mark of at least 50% AND a mark for the invigilated components of the course of at least 50%.

FINE7060A International Finance (15 credits): elective

NQF Level: 9

Wits Credits: 15

Contact Hours: 2 blocks (36 hours)

Lecturers: Dr. Cyril May and Prof Gregory Farrell

AIMS

The forces of globalisation have fundamentally changed the scope and activities of firms, government access to capital markets, the intermediary role of financial institutions, the array of finance instruments and investment options and portfolio strategies for financial market participants, and government policy interventions (including financial market regulation). This course aims at providing an in-depth understanding of international finance within complex international financial markets. The main topics covered in this module are: i) divergence between financial asset prices and their fundamental values (or financial asset price misalignment); ii) short-run financial asset price dynamics (employing an 'event study' approach to analyse asset price/returns adjustments & volatility); iii) financial market spillovers; iv) country risk analysis and credit ratings; v) exchange rate systems, policies & economic integration (focusing on financial market integration); vi) financial (& economic) crises; vii) financial market regulation; viii) financial stability, macroprudential policy (financial policies aimed at ensuring the stability of the financial system), and the national payment system, financial technology and digital currency issues and their policy implications; ix) financial derivatives. To conclude this course, we explore some puzzles and new directions in international finance.

SCOPE OF COURSE (TOPICS TO BE COVERED)

GROUNDWORK: Some tools

- ❑ **Introduction to EVIEWS** – Menu-driven statistical/econometrics software package
- ❑ **Structural Breaks/Changes/Shifts in Time Series Data**
- ❑ **Statistical Properties of Financial Market Data & Implications**
- ❑ **Measures of Asset Price Volatility**
- ❑ **Filtering in Time Series Analysis**
- ❑ **Vector Autoregressive (VAR) Models**
- ❑ **Cointegration: The Johansen Approach**
- ❑ **Growth at Risk (GAR)** – GAR analysis links macro financial conditions to distribution of future growth

This technical aspect of the course is not directly examinable – this groundwork is not only important for reading & understanding the course prescribed empirical literature but will also prove invaluable for carrying out individual/group assignments, your Masters Thesis (& PhD Dissertation), & undertaking individual/collaborative research in your future career)

PART A

- I. FINANCIAL ASSET PRICE MISALIGNMENTS** (Deviation from fundamental values)
- ❑ **Financial Asset Price Over- & Undershooting**
 - ❑ **Asset Bubbles**

II. ANALYSIS OF SHORT-RUN BEHAVIOUR OF FINANCIAL ASSET PRICES

- ❑ **Financial Asset Price Response to News or Announcements** – an 'event study' approach
- ❑ **Spillovers Within & Between Financial Markets**

PART B III. COUNTRY RISK ANALYSIS (Political, economic, financial, & credit risks)
PART C IV. FINANCIAL CRISES: THEORY AND CASE STUDIES
PART D V. FINANCIAL STABILITY, REGULATION & POLICY ISSUES □ <i>Financial Market Regulation</i> □ <i>Financial Stability & Macroprudential Policy</i>
PART E VI. FINANCIAL DERIVATIVES (Pricing & price drivers)
PART F VII. PUZZLES AND NEW DIRECTIONS IN INTERNATIONAL FINANCE

LEARNING OUTCOMES

After completion of this module, students should have a thorough understanding of:

- why financial asset prices deviate from the (long-run) equilibrium values implied by fundamentals
- the short-run dynamics of financial asset prices (useful for building forecasting models) & financial market spillovers
- designing an analytical framework to study country risks, and comparing the risks and underlying drivers of different countries
- various exchange rate systems and related policies, and financial market liberalisation, integration, and regulation
- global financial crises (including South African financial crisis), and the importance of financial stability, regulation and macroprudential policy
- how financial derivatives are priced and the underlying price drivers
- some puzzles and new directions in international finance

EVALUATION METHODS:

Test 1:	25%
Test 2 (or Individual Essay):	25%
Group Assignment:	10%
Final Examination:	40%

All tests will be conducted in-person, on campus. There will be no dual/differentiated mode of tests for students in a single class. The group assignment must be submitted via Turnitin and pay careful attention to the plagiarism rules highlighted in the more comprehensive course outline and assessment instructions. **NB: Plagiarism and cheating are serious offenses to the academy and can have severe consequences!!!**

MORE COMPREHENSIVE COURSE OUTLINE TO BE UPLOADED TO THE ULWAZI COURSE SITE IN DUE COURSE!

FINE7077A Financial Technology (Fintech) (15 credits) elective
NQF Level: 9; Wits credits: 15
Contact hours: 2 blocks (36 hours)
Lecturers: Prof. Moinak Maiti

Course Outline

This course provides an in-depth examination of financial technology (FinTech), covering its foundations, applications, and implications for the financial industry. Students will learn about the latest technologies shaping the FinTech landscape, including blockchain, artificial intelligence, and machine learning. The course will also explore regulatory issues, ethical considerations, and the future of FinTech.

Course Structure:

1. Introduction to FinTech

- Overview of FinTech
- History and evolution of FinTech
- Key concepts and terminology
- Case Studies

Readings: Maiti, M., & Ghosh, U. (2021). Next-generation internet of things in fintech ecosystem. *IEEE Internet of Things Journal*, 10(3), 2104-2111.

Course Evaluation

- Class participation: 5%
- Assignments: 20%
- Midterm exam: 30%
- Final exam: 35%
- Project: 10%
- Attendance on this course is compulsory as topics are inter-linked.

An overall mark of 50% is required to pass this course.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS: MASTER'S IN FINANCE COURSES

To pass any coursework component, a candidate shall:

1. Attend, perform the work of the class and present himself/herself for examination or present such work as may be required by the syllabus of the course or as determined by the Senate in his or her case.
2. Be required to pass (50% or more) every course, as laid down in the syllabus, at the first attempt. The rules dictate that the Senate may in a case considered by it as *exceptional*, permit a candidate who is doing the coursework component of the degree and failed *one* course with an overall mark of 45% and such course is the last outstanding to qualify for the degree, to

present himself/herself for a supplementary examination on one occasion only, or to repeat such course the next time it is offered. If the candidate again fails the course, his/her registration will be cancelled. This supplementary exam will only be written at the end of the final year of study i.e., at the end of year 1 for fulltime students and at the end of year 2 for part time students. Also, there is no supplementary arrangement for the research component of the degree. As a rule, there is no provision for supplementary examinations at Masters' level. Please note that the Finance division of SEF will only support a supplementary exam in exceptional circumstances.

The granting of supplementary exams will be in line with the School of Economics and Finance (SEF) latest higher degrees standing orders.

To obtain the degree a candidate must get a minimum of 50% for the research paper which constitute 50% of the degree.

PLAGIARISM

Plagiarism is not acceptable. Plagiarism is using another's words or ideas as your own. When you use the ideas of another, you must give that person credit. This means that proper referencing is always necessary. Please see the referencing guide distributed with the research report guideline for further details. All referencing for the finance honours course should be done using the latest APA referencing style. Please sign the plagiarism declaration. See the link below for further details:

<http://www.liu.edu/cwis/cwp/library/workshop/citapa.htm>

With the advent of chatbots and other online resources (for example, chatGPT), it is important for students to understand the following: While the specific use of chatGPT is not prohibited, it does not guarantee accuracy in your submission. In other words, chatGPT may not give you an answer that is awarded full marks. We rely on students' code of ethics as either current or future finance professionals. The use of technology to aid in this course is certainly encouraged, but the user must understand the ethical considerations of such activity along with how much trust to place in obtaining an accurate output or answer from such resources. Use resources at your disposal in a responsible manner, ensuring that you do not plagiarise or commit any action that can be seen as academic misconduct.

Use of Gen AI: This course is subject to the SEF policy on the use of Gen AI. Policy included in the programme pack for reference.

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