

4040. General Linguistics. 3 hours. General introduction to the core systems of the languages of the world focusing on phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax and semantics. Prerequisite(s): LING 3060 or equivalent.

4070. History of the English Language. 3 hours. The evolution of Modern English from Indo-European through Old English and Middle English. Prerequisite(s): LING 3060 or equivalent.

4080. Teaching English as a Second Language. 3 hours. Theory and method of teaching English as a second language. Study of major approaches with specific attention to methods of teaching, listening, speaking, reading and writing. Prerequisite(s): 12 hours of English and one Group C course.

4800. Special Seminar in Linguistics. 1–3 hours. Study of linguistics that extends scope of traditional offerings. Prerequisite(s): LING 3060. May be repeated for credit as topics vary.

4951. Honors College Capstone Thesis. 3 hours. Major research project prepared by the student under the supervision of a faculty member and presented in standard thesis format. An oral defense is required of each student for successful completion of the thesis. Prerequisite(s): completion of at least 6 hours in honors courses; completion of at least 12 hours in the major department in which the thesis is prepared; approval of the department chair and the dean of the school or college in which the thesis is prepared; approval of the dean of the Honors College. May be substituted for HNRS 4000.

Technical Writing – see *Graduate Catalog*

Ensembles, Music

see Music

Ethnomusicology, Music

see Music

Finance

see Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Law

Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Law

Business Law, BLAW

2000. Personal Law. 3 hours. A consumer-oriented study of the principles of personal law. Student participation required in resolving problems associated with the family, home and vehicle ownership, crimes, negligence, employment, death (including wills and estates), taxation and an individual's rights as a consumer. Recommended for all students, regardless of major field of interest.

3430. Legal and Ethical Environment of Business. 3 hours. Historical, economic, political and ethical bases of contracts and sales, including the Uniform Commercial Code, and the impact of regulatory agencies on business enterprise. Prerequisite(s): PSCI 1040 and 1050, or equivalent.

4430. Legal Organizations and Financial Transactions. 3 hours. Legal aspects of agency, partnerships, corporations, commercial paper, secured transactions and bankruptcy. Prerequisite(s): BLAW 3430 or consent of instructor.

4450. Corporation Law. 3 hours. A course developing the law concerning the powers, duties and responsibilities of corporate managers to their organizations, to investors, to creditors, to the state, and to the general public under state corporation codes and state and federal securities legislation.

4480. International Business Law. 3 hours. Examination of selected aspects of the international legal environment affecting transnational commerce. Consideration of relevant U.S. constitutional, treaty and statutory provisions; international conventions and agreements; sovereign immunity and act of state doctrines, nationalization and expropriation. Prerequisite(s): BLAW 3430 or equivalent, or consent of instructor.

4500. Estate Planning. 3 hours. Planning process and selected techniques for efficient disposition and administration of property interests; various tools, including wills, trusts, life insurance settlement options and powers of appointment; pertinent income, estate and gift tax provisions. Prerequisite(s): ACCT 2010 and 2020 and BLAW 3430; or equivalent experience. (Same as RMIN 4500.)

4600. Current Topics in Business Law. 3 hours. Designed to provide information on the legal environment of specified functional areas as required by developing trends and/or changes in the law. May be repeated for credit as topics vary.

4770. Real Estate Law and Contracts. 3 hours. Study of the legal principles governing real estate transactions with an emphasis on promulgated contracts. Topics include contract law, estates in land, types of ownership, deeds, mortgages, title insurance, agency and homestead.

4790. Property Management Law. 3 hours. Study of the local, state and federal laws, regulations and cases that impact the professional management of real property. Particular emphasis is given to the legal and ethical issues relative to residential property management. The landlord/tenant relationship is analyzed as well as issues concerning employees, tort liability, risk management, various types of government regulation, fair housing and eviction. Texas Apartment Association lease contracts and other forms are reviewed. Prerequisite(s): BLAW 3430 or consent of instructor.

4900. Special Problems. 1–3 hours.

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Finance, FINA

1000. Freshman Investment Seminar. 1 hour. Fundamentals of finance mathematics, risk and return, the money market, the bond market, the stock market, and investment companies. The investigation of investment companies will include both closed-end funds and open-end (mutual) funds, including how market information is reported in the financial media.

2770 (BUSI 1307). Personal Finance. 3 hours. Financial planning, insurance, budgeting, credit, home ownership, savings, investment and tax problems.

3770. Finance. 3 hours. Overview of money and the banking system; interest and present value calculations; financial information; analysis and financial decision making; security markets. Prerequisite(s): completion of pre-business requirements, including ACCT 2010 and 2020 or equivalent with grades of C or better, or consent of department.

4200. Investments. 3 hours. First course for the individual investor. Idea of investment value; necessary prerequisites for an investment program; policies; economic and industry factors; introduction to security analysis and valuation; operation of security markets; security laws. Prerequisite(s): FINA 3770 and ACCT 2010 and 2020 or equivalent with grades of C or better.

4210. Introduction to Derivatives. 3 hours. Introduction to the theory, valuation and analysis of derivatives. Fundamental concepts of options, forwards, futures, swaps and other derivative products. Prerequisite(s): FINA 4200 with a grade of C or better or consent of department.

4300. Liquidity and Working Capital Management. 3 hours. Analyzing issues related to corporate liquidity problems and solutions related to the management of short-term assets and liabilities. Prerequisite(s): FINA 3770 with a grade of C or better.

4310. Valuation and Financial Decisions. 3 hours. This course develops a conceptual valuation framework for investment, capital structure and dividend decisions. Each is examined for its impact on the risk return characteristics of the firm. In addition, long-term financing decisions are discussed. Prerequisite(s): FINA 3770 with a grade of C or better.

4400. Financial Markets and Institutions. 3 hours. Studies in the operations, mechanics and structure of the U.S. financial system. Topics include commercial banking, non-bank financial institutions, money and capital markets, the impact of monetary policy on financial institutions and markets, and an introduction to the international financial system. Prerequisite(s): FINA 3770 with a grade of C or better.

4410. Advanced Topics in Financial Institutions and Markets. 3 hours. May include topics such as application of the theory of finance to the management of financial institutions, analysis of fixed income securities including valuation of embedded options, study of international financial markets, or other topics selected by the instructor. Prerequisite(s): FINA 4400 (may be taken concurrently).

4500. International Finance. 3 hours. International and regional financial institutions and arrangements; balance of payments, theory, adjustments and impact on world trade; role of commercial and central banks in financing international flow; financing exports and imports; the instruments and markets of foreign exchange; determination of exchange rates. Prerequisite(s): FINA 3770 with a grade of C or better.

4610. Comprehensive Financial Planning. 3 hours. Designed to prepare students to assist individuals in their financial planning and strategy, including analysis of needs, insurance and investment programs, tax planning and shelters, trusts, tangibles, and retirement planning. Study

includes readings and analysis of cases. Prerequisite(s): FINA 4200 and RMIN 2500 or 4200 with grades of C or better.

4800. Internship. 3 hours. Supervised work in a job relative to student's career objective. Prerequisite(s): student must meet the employer's requirements and have consent of the department chair. Pass/no pass only.

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Real Estate, REAL

2100 (REAL 1301). Principles of Real Estate. 3 hours. A survey of real estate principles, including real estate market, financial, investment and legal analysis. Home ownership and real estate investment for personal benefit are emphasized.

3100. Real Estate Agency. 3 hours. Creation, termination and practice of real estate agency relationship in regards to traditional leasing and marketing of property. Subagency, buyers agents and dual agency theory and practice are presented as required by all persons seeking a Texas Real Estate License.

4000. Real Estate Finance. 3 hours. Examination of the process and methods of financing both residential and commercial properties. Primary focus is on the lender's perspective in mortgage loan analysis. Prerequisite(s): REAL 2100 and FINA 3770, or consent of department.

4200. Property Management. 3 hours. Examination of the process and methods of managing real property assets. Topics include property leasing, marketing, maintenance, personal supervision, value analysis, taxation and cash-flow analysis. Prerequisite(s): REAL 2100 or consent of department.

4210. Advanced Property Management. 3 hours. Detailed focus on advanced aspects of managing real property assets. Topics include market analysis and segmentation, advanced asset management and risk management. Prerequisite(s): REAL 4200 or consent of department.

4300. Real Estate Investments. 3 hours. Analysis of real estate investments during the origination, operation and termination phases. Primary emphasis is on financial feasibility and cash-flow analysis. Prerequisite(s): REAL 2100 and FINA 3770, or consent of department.

4400. Real Estate Valuation. 3 hours. Theory and methods of residential and income property appraisal. Topics include real estate market analysis, highest and best use analysis, and capitalization techniques. Income property valuation techniques are emphasized. Prerequisite(s): REAL 2100 and FINA 3770, or consent of department.

4800. Internship. 3 hours. Supervised work in a job related to student's career objective. Prerequisite(s): student must have 2.8 overall GPA, meet employer's requirements and have consent of department chair. Pass/no pass only.

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Risk Management and Insurance, RMIN

2500. Principles of Risk and Insurance Management. 3 hours. Consumer-oriented study of basic risk theory, elementary risk management techniques and fundamental principles: individual life insurance and annuity products; automobile, homeowners, health and selected social insurance programs; insurers and their operations; guidelines for efficient purchase and use of insurance products. Recommended for all students, regardless of major field of interest.

4200. Life Insurance. 3 hours. Economic basis, fundamental principles, types of life insurance and annuity products, pertinent legal concepts, contract provisions, taxation of life insurance and annuity products, nature and operations of companies, and financial statements of life insurers; personal and business uses of life insurance and annuity products.

4300. Liability Risk Management and Insurance. 3 hours. Liability exposures to loss and methods available to treat them; commercial general liability coverage, worker's compensation, business auto insurance; and other insurance products for treating commercial liability loss exposures. Liability insurance underwriting, rating and pricing.

4310. Property Risk Management and Insurer Operations. 3 hours. Insurance company operations and management, including statutory accounting principles, financial management, underwriting, claims and reinsurance. Discussion of commercial property coverages and risk management techniques, including basic property insurance, consequential loss coverage, fidelity and surety bonding and crime coverages.

4400. Employee Benefit Programs. 3 hours. Reasons for employee benefit programs; group life, medical expense and disability income insurance programs; health maintenance organizations; pension programs and profit-sharing plans; tax considerations and government regulations.

4500. Estate Planning. 3 hours. Planning process and selected techniques for efficient disposition and administration of property interests; various tools, including wills, trusts, life insurance settlement options and powers of appointment; pertinent income, estate and gift tax provisions. Prerequisite(s): ACCT 2010 and 2020 and BLAW 3430; or equivalent experience.

4600. Risk Management. 3 hours. Study of financial effects of pure risk on businesses and not-for-profit institutions; policy, goals, objectives, organization of effort, identification and evaluation of risk; selection of risk treatment/financing tools; implementation and review of tools used; probability analyses of data and financial evaluation of alternative tools.

4800. Internship. 3 hours. Supervised work in a job related to student's career objective. Prerequisite(s): student must meet the employer's requirements and have consent of the department chair. Pass/no pass only.

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Foreign Languages and Literatures

Students with no previous training in their desired language must enroll in 1010-numbered language courses. Students with one, two, three or four high school credits must take the departmentally administered placement exam. Students must place out of the 2050 level to satisfy the language requirement.

Arabic, ARBC

1010-1020. Elementary Arabic. 4 hours each. (4;1)

1010 (ARAB 1311 or 1411 or 1511). Grammar and phonetics; reading, composition and oral-aural practice. Satisfies the Communication requirement of the University Core Curriculum.

1020 (ARAB 1312 or 1412 or 1512). Grammar and phonetics; reading, composition and oral-aural practice. Prerequisite(s): ARBC 1010 or equivalent. Satisfies the Communication requirement of the University Core Curriculum.

2040-2050. Intermediate Arabic. 3 hours each.

2040 (ARAB 2311). Grammar and phonetics; reading, composition and oral-aural practice. Prerequisite(s): ARBC 1020 or equivalent. Satisfies the Communication requirement of the University Core Curriculum.

2050 (ARAB 2312). Grammar and phonetics; reading, composition and oral-aural practice. Prerequisite(s): ARBC 2040 or equivalent. Satisfies the Communication requirement of the University Core Curriculum.

2900-2910. Special Problems. 1–3 hours. Prerequisite(s): consent of department.

3040. Advanced Topics in the Culture of the Middle East. 3 hours. Explores the history and culture of the Near East, from the time of Muhammad to the present. Examines the rise and definition of Islamic civilization and the spread of Islam. Topics include major political figures and historical events, institutions, economic developments, social issues (education, family, women), history of ideas, literary movements, art history, and music history. May be repeated for credit as topics vary. Prerequisite(s): ARBC 2050 or equivalent.