KARACHI UNIVERSITY BUSINESS SCHOOL UNIVERSITY OF KARACHI

FINANCE & INVESTMENT

Course Title : CORPORATE FINANCE

Course Number: BA(BS-FIN) - 662

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- 6.5. Thinking about Risk
 - 6.5.1. Message 1: Some Risk Look Big and Dangerous but Really are Diversifiable
 - 6.5.2. Message 2: Market Risk are Macro Risks
 - 6.5.3. Message 3: Risk can be Measured

7. Risk, Return and Capital Budgeting

- 7.1. Measuring Market Risk
 - 7.1.1. Measuring Beta
 - 7.1.2. Betas for Amazon.com and Exxon Mobile
 - 7.1.3. Portfolio Betas
- 7.2. Risk and Return
 - 7.2.1. Why the CAPM Works
 - 7.2.2. The Security Market Line
 - 7.2.3. How well does the CAPM Work?
 - 7.2.4. Using the CAPM to Estimated Expected Return
- 7.3. Capital Budgeting and Project Risk
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 - 7.3.3. Don't add Fudge Factors to Discount Rates

8. The Cost of Capital

- 8.1. Geothermal Cost of Capital
- 8.2. The Weighted–Average Cost of Capital
 - 8.2.1. Calculating Company Cost of Capital as a Weighted Average
 - 8.2.2. Market versus Book Weights
 - 8.2.3. Taxes and the Weighted–Average Costs of Capital
 - 8.2.4. What If There Are Three (or More) Sources of Financing?
 - 8.2.5. Wrapping up Geothermal
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 - 8.6.1. When You Can and Can't Use WACC
 - 8.6.2. Some Common Mistakes
 - 8.6.3. How Changing Capital Structure Affects Expected Returns
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- 9.1. Creating Value with Financing Decisions
- 9.2. Common Stock
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 - 9.2.2. Voting Procedures
 - 9.2.3. Classes of Stock
- 9.3. Preferred Stocks
- 9.4. Corporate Debt
 - 9.4.1. Debt Comes in Many Forms
 - 9.4.2. Innovation in the Debt Market

10. Debt Policy

- 10.1. How Borrowing Affects Values in a Tax Free Economy
 - 10.1.1. MM's Argument
 - 10.1.2. How Borrowing Affects Earnings per Share
 - 10.1.3. How Borrowing Affects Risk and Return
 - 10.1.4. Debt and the Cost of Equity
- 10.2. Capital Structure and Corporate Taxes
 - 10.2.1. Debt and Taxes of River Cruises
 - 10.2.2. How Interest Tax Shields Contribute to the Value of Stockholders' Equity
 - 10.2.3. Corporate Taxes and the Weighted Average Cost of Capital
 - 10.2.4. The Implications of Corporate Taxes for Capital Structure
- 10.3. Costs of Financial Distress
 - 10.3.1. Bankruptcy Costs
 - 10.3.2. Financial Distress without Bankruptcy
 - 10.3.3. Cost of Distress Vary with Type of Asset
- 10.4. Explaining Financing Choices
 - 10.4.1. The Trade-Off Theory
 - 10.4.2. A Pecking Order Theory
 - 10.4.3. The Two Forces of Financial Stock

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- 11.1. How Dividends are Paid
 - 11.1.1. Cash Dividends
 - 11.1.2. Some Legal Limitations on Dividends
 - 11.1.3. Stock Dividends and Stock Splits

- 11.2. Share Repurchase
 - 11.2.1. The Role of Share Repurchases
 - 11.2.2. Repurchases and Share Valuation
- 11.3. How Do Companies Decide on Dividend Payments?
- 11.4. Why Dividend Policy should not Matter?
 - 11.4.1. Dividends Policy is Irrelevant in Competitive Markets
 - 11.4.2. The Assumptions behind Dividend Irrelevance
- 11.5. Why Dividends may Increase Firm Value?
 - 11.5.1. Market Imperfections
 - 11.5.2. Dividends as Signals
- 11.6. Why Dividends may Reduce Firm Value?
 - 11.6.1. Why Pay any Dividends at All?
 - 11.6.2. Taxation of Dividends and Capital Gains under Current Tax Law

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 - 12.3.1. Pitfalls in Model Design
 - 12.3.2. The Assumption in Percentage of Sales Models
 - 12.3.3. The Role of Financial Planning Models

13. Credit Management and Bankruptcy

Recommended Books

- 1. Marcus, B. M. (2006). *Fundamentals of Corporate Finance.* New Jersey: Irwin / McGraw–Hill.
- 2. Ross, S. (2007). *Corporate Finance*. New York: Irwin / McGraw–Hill.
- 3. Ross, Westerfield, & Jordan, (2009). *Corporate Finance*. New York: McGraw–Hill.
- 4. Gupta, N. & Sharma, C. (2008). *Corporate Accounting*. New Delhi: Ane Books.