

**Finance for Lawyers**  
**Law 7930 § 12 (Reference # 08403)**  
**MWF 10:30-11:25**  
**Room 331**

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**Objective:** To acquaint students with financial concepts and to provide them with tools necessary to perform basic financial analyses.

**Required Text:** Zvi Bodie and Robert Merton, *Finance* (Upper Saddle River, NJ: Prentice Hall, 2000), as well as supplementary articles as assigned.

**Recommended:** Keep up with one of the better business publications throughout the semester such as *Wall Street Journal*, *Barron's*, *BusinessWeek*, *Forbes*, *The Economist*, etc.

**Calculator:** Your life will be substantially more pleasant if you buy a Texas Instruments BA II Plus Financial Calculator (available on Amazon or in any office supply store for about \$20) since it has the formulas we will be using in class pre-programmed. You can, in theory, get by with a standard calculator as long as it has an x^y key, but you're better off exploiting available technology.

**Attendance Policy:** The ABA believes it knows how to allocate your time better than you do, so it mandates that you attend at least 80 percent of the class sessions. Eventually you will benefit from this kind of entry restriction.

**Grading:** Grades will be based entirely on the final exam, which the law school has scheduled for Tuesday April 26, 2005 (8:30-11:30). Exam grades will be curved to meet law school requirements.

**Class Participation:** In some ways, this class will be much more mechanical than most law school classes (e.g., for the mathematical portions, there will be a "right" answer and there is no point in entertaining differences of opinion), so I will mostly lecture. That said, I am always happy to address questions, entertain extensions of the material that might interest students, listen to jokes, and discuss how the material will be useful in legal settings.

**Students with Disabilities:** Please discuss any necessary accommodations with the instructor.

**Reading Schedule:**

January 10, 12, 14:	Text Chapters 1 & 2.
January 17:	No Class – MLK Day
January 19, 21:	Text Chapter 3
January 24, 26, 28:	Text Chapter 4
January 31, Feb. 2, 4:	Text Chapters 5 & 6
February 7, 9, 11:	Text Chapters 7 & 8
February 14, 16, 18:	Text Chapter 9
February 21, 23, 25:	Text Chapters 10 & 11
February 28, March 2, 4:	Text Chapter 12
March 7, 9, 11:	No Class – Spring Break
March 14, 16, 18:	Text Chapter 13
March 21, 23, 25:	Andre F. Perold (2004). "The Capital Asset Pricing Model." <i>Journal of Economic Perspectives</i> , 18(3): 3-24. Eugene F. Fama and Kenneth R. French (2004). "The Capital Asset Pricing Model: Theory and Evidence." <i>Journal of Economic Perspectives</i> , 18(3): 25-46.
March 28, 30, April 1:	Text Chapters 14 & 15
April 4, 6, 8:	Text Chapter 16 & 17 Merton H. Miller (1988). "The Modigliani-Miller Propositions After Thirty Years." <i>Journal of Economic Perspectives</i> , 2(4): 99-120
April 11, 13, 15:	Malcolm Baker, Richard Ruback, Jeffrey Wurgler (2004). "Behavioral Corporate Finance: A Survey." NBER Working Paper No. w10863. Robert Barsky and J. Bradford De Long (1990). "Bull and Bear Markets in the Twentieth Century." <i>Journal of Economic History</i> , 50(2): 265-281. Frank H. Easterbrook (1984). "Two Agency Cost Explanations of Dividends." <i>American Economic Review</i> , 74(4): 650-659.
April 18:	Review
April 26:	Final Exam (8:30-11:30)