





Course Specifications

Course Title:	Principles of Insurance
Course Code:	FIN330
Program:	BS in Finance
Department:	Finance
College:	College of Business (CBA)
Institution:	Prince Sultan University



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A. Course Identification

1. Credit hours: 3
2. Course type
a. University College Department / Others
b. Required Elective
3. Level/year at which this course is offered: 3
4. Pre-requisites for this course (if any): FIN301
5. Co-requisites for this course (if any): NA

6. Mode of Instruction (mark all that apply)

No	Mode of Instruction	Contact Hours	Percentage
1	Traditional classroom	45	100%
2	Blended		
3	E-learning		
4	Correspondence		
5	Other		

7. Actual Learning Hours (based on academic semester)

No	Activity	Learning Hours	
Conta	Contact Hours		
1	Lecture	40	
2	Laboratory/Studio		
3	Tutorial	5	
4	Others (specify)		
	Total		
	Other Learning Hours*		
1	Study (3 credit hours 1.5hrs SLT per week X 12 weeks	54	
2	Assignments/Tutorials (1.5 hours per chapter)	16.5	
3	Library	24	
4	Projects/Research Essays/Theses	25	
5	Others (specify)		
	Total	120	

* The length of time that a learner takes to complete learning activities that lead to achievement of course learning outcomes, such as study time, homework assignments, projects, preparing presentations, library times

B. Course Objectives and Learning Outcomes

1. Course Description

This course is designed to provide students with a basic background in insurance and to some extend the risk management. Students are exposed to key insurance industry functions such as selling/distributing of insurance, underwriting insurance policies, adjusting losses, reinsuring risk and elements needed to form an insurance contract. This course will expose students to risk management techniques including risk control and risk financing are also covered. Other major topics includes insurance operations and regulations, reinsurance together with introduction to Takaful. It further explains the principles of individual homeowners, automobile, life and health insurance.

2. Course Main Objective

Having read this course, the students are expected to have a better understanding of the basic insurance terminology and common insurance policies. They will be able to learn about the various dynamics of insurance industry, underwriting process and types of insurance e.g. life insurance, auto insurance etc. The course is also expected to enable them understand insurance as a method to hedge against the risk. On the successful completion of this course, students will be able to demonstrate the following:

3. Course Learning Outcomes

	CLOs	Aligned PLOs
1	Knowledge:	
1.1	CLO 1: Discuss the fundamental concepts of insurance and risk management.	PLO1
1.2	CLO 2: Describe the major categories of insurance.	PLO1
2	Skills :	
2.1	CLO 3: Apply the process of risk management in business operation and personal life	PLO2
2.2	CLO 4: Relate the elements of an insurance contract in a practical application. (any topic)	PLO5
2.3	CLO 5: Discuss contemporary challenges and ethical issues in insurance industry. (10,9,20,22,15)	PLO4
2.4	CLO 6: Differentiate duties and liabilities of parties relate to the insurance contracts (6,10,20,22,15)	PLO4
3	Competence:	
3.1	CLO 7: Estimate ratemaking, loss payment methods, reinsurance and financial operations of insurance company. (7,6)	PLO2
3.2	CLO 8: Produce written report and present an analysis of actual insurance company operations and services.	PLO3&5

C. Course Content

No	List of Topics	Contact Hours
1	Introduction to Insurance	3
	Chapter 1: Risk; its Treatment	
	 Meaning, Basic Categories of Risk 	
	 Chance of Loss, Peril and Hazard 	
	- Types of Pure Risks	
	- Methods of Handling Risk.	
2	Chapter 2: Insurance & Risk	3
	 Insurance and its features 	
	 Requirements of an Insurable Risk 	
	 Insurance Distinguished from Other Transactions 	
	- Types of Insurance, Social Benefits and Costs of Insurance	
3	Chapter 3: Introduction to Risk Management	3
	 Meaning of Risk Management 	
	 Objectives of Risk Management 	
	- Risk Management Process	
	Benefits of Risk Management	
4	Chpater 6: Insurance Company operations	3
	 Rating and Ratemaking 	
	- Underwriting and Production	
	- Claims settlement	
	- Reinsurance	
	 Alternatives to Traditional Reinsurance 	
	- Investments & Other Insurance Function	
5	Chapter 7: Financial Operations of Insurers	3
	 Property and Casualty Insurers 	
	- Life Insurance Companies	
	 Ratemaking in Property and Casualty Insurance 	
	- Ratemaking in Life Insurance	
6	Chpater 9: Legal Principles and Analysis of Insurance Contracts	3
	- Principles of Insurance	
	 Requirements of an Insurance Contract 	
	- Legal Characteristics	
7	Chapter 10. Analysis Of Insurance Contracts	3
	Basic Parts of an Insurance Contract	
	Insured, Endorsements and Riders	
	Deductibles, Coinsurance , Other Insurance Provisions	
8	Takaful: An Alternative to Conventional Insurance.	3
	- Introduction.	
	- The Sharī´ah Basis of Takaful.	
	- Takaful and Conventional Insurance Compared.	
	- Models of Takaful	

9-	Introduction to Insurance Products	12
12	10.1 Life Insurance	
	10.2 Health Insurance	
	10.3 Homeowners insurance	
	10.4 Auto Insurance	
13	Case Study/Tutorial	5
14	Presentation and Revision	2
16	Final Exam	3
	Total	45

D. Teaching and Assessment

1. Alignment of Course Learning Outcomes with Teaching Strategies and Assessment Methods

Code	Course Learning Outcomes	Teaching Strategies	Assessment Methods
1.0	Knowledge		
1.1	CLO 1: Discuss the fundamental concepts of insurance and risk management.	Lecture, Quiz and solving problem using white board, presentation	Major and final exams, quiz, written project, assignment, group presentation
1.2	CLO 2: Describe the major categories of insurance.	Lecture, Quiz and solving problem using white board, presentation	Major and final exams, quiz, written project, assignment, group presentation
2.0	Skills		
2.1	CLO 3: Apply the process of risk management in business operation and personal life	Lecture, Quiz and solving problem using white board, presentation	Major and final exams, quiz, written project, assignment, group presentation
2.2	CLO 4: Relate the elements of an insurance contract in a practical application. (any topic)	Lecture, Quiz and solving problem using white board, presentation	Major and final exams, quiz, written project, assignment, group presentation
2.3	CLO 5: Discuss contemporary challenges and ethical issues in insurance industry. (10,9,20,22,15)	Lecture, Quiz and solving problem using white board, presentation	Major and final exams, quiz, written project, assignment, group presentation
2.4	CLO 6: Differentiate duties and liabilities of parties relate to the insurance contracts (6,10,20,22,15)	Lecture, Quiz and solving problem using white board, presentation	Major and final exams, quiz, written project, assignment, group presentation
3.0	Competence		
3.1	CLO 7: Estimate ratemaking, loss payment methods, reinsurance and	Lecture, Quiz and solving problem	Major and final exams, quiz, written

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	financial operations of insurance company. (7,6)	using white board, presentation	project, assignment, group presentation
3.2	CLO 8: Produce written report and present an analysis of actual insurance company operations and services.	Upon consultation with students	Written report and presentation

2. Assessment Tasks for Students

#	Assessment task*	Week Due	Percentage of Total Assessment Score
1	Group Project	Week 13	15%
2	Quiz 1	4 th February, 2020	5%
3	Case Study/Participation/Tutorial	Entire semester	5%
4	Major Exam 1	Week 7 (1 st march,20 20)	15%
5	Major Exam 2	Week 11 (2 nd April, 2020)	20%
6	Final Examination	Week 16	40%

*Assessment task (i.e., written test, oral test, oral presentation, group project, essay, etc.)

E. Student Academic Counseling and Support

Arrangements for availability of faculty and teaching staff for individual student consultations and academic advice :

Consultation Hours: 5 hours

F. Learning Resources and Facilities

1.Learning Resources

Required Textbooks	George E. Rejda , Global Edition, Principles of Risk Management an Insurance, 13 th Edition; Boston: Pearson/Addison-Wesley.	
Essential References	1. Mohammad Ayub (2007) Understanding Islamic Finance.	
Materials	John Wiley.	

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	 Mark S. Dorfman (2008) Introduction to Risk Management and Insurance. Ninth Edition, Pearson International edition, Pearson Education, ISBN-10: 0132242273 ISBN- 13: 9780132242271. Scott E. Harrington and Gregory R. Niehaus; Risk Management and Insurance, International Edition (2004); Irwin/McGraw-Hill. ISBN-13: 978-0072339703 ISBN-10: 0072339705 William, C. Arthur, Jr. Michael, L. Smith and Peter, C. Young (1998) Risk Management and Insurance, 8th Edition; Boston, MA: Irwin/McGraw-Hill. ISBN: 0070706301 (acid- free paper) and 0071156399 	
Electronic Materials	Multimedia with PC	
Other Learning Materials	a. Lecture room b. Whiteboard	

2. Facilities Required

Item	Resources	
Accommodation (Classrooms, laboratories, demonstration rooms/labs, etc.)	Lecture room Whiteboard	
Technology Resources (AV, data show, Smart Board, software, etc.)	Smart board	
Other Resources (Specify, e.g. if specific laboratory equipment is required, list requirements or attach a list)	 www.iii.org www.sra.com www.insure.com www.insurancejournal.com www.riskinstitute.com 	

G. Course Quality Evaluation

Evaluation Areas/Issues	Evaluators	Evaluation Methods
Final Exam Questions	Assigned instructors	Moderating
Teaching assessment	Assoc. chair	Teaching observation
Student evaluation	Students	Survey questions at the end of the semester.
Course exit survey	Instructors	CLO

Evaluation areas (e.g., Effectiveness of teaching and assessment, Extent of achievement of course learning outcomes, Quality of learning resources, etc.)

Evaluators (Students, Faculty, Program Leaders, Peer Reviewer, Others (specify) Assessment Methods (Direct, Indirect)

H. Specification Approval Data

Council / Committee	Aykhasaw
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