

<b>ID</b>	2924
<b>Curricular Unit</b>	Corporate Finance
<b>Regent</b>	Eduardo Barbosa do Couto
<b>Learning Outcomes</b>	<p>This course is designed to introduce students to the principles and concepts of financial statement analysis.</p> <p>The main objectives of the course are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Study principles and techniques of financial analysis</li> <li>* Understand how the financial policy of a corporation affects its financial performance</li> <li>* Analyze and discuss practical cases using financial analysis principles and techniques.</li> </ul> <p>The specific objectives are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Discuss the various financial statements and the links between them (Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Cash Flow Statement).</li> <li>* Analyze the financial aspects of a firm: Profitability; Risk and Financial Equilibrium.</li> <li>* Introduce the basics of Pricing Financial assets.</li> </ul>
<b>Syllabus</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The financial statements and concepts</li> <li>2. Financial analysis techniques</li> <li>3. Evaluating performance with financial ratios</li> <li>4. Financial equilibrium analysis</li> <li>5. Break-even and Leverage Analysis</li> <li>6. Cash-flow analysis</li> <li>7. Introduction to portfolio theory</li> <li>8. The capital asset pricing model and APT</li> <li>9. Comparative financial analysis between two Portuguese Sports Associations</li> </ol>
<b>Evaluation</b>	<p>The unit will be taught using a combination of theoretical and practical lectures. Students will be encouraged to actively participate in the realization of class exercises and problems. Continuous assessment in class will have a weight of 40% in the final student's classification, including midterm exams (20%) and group work (20%). The end-semester exam will account for 60% of the course grade and required a minimum score of 8 points out of 20. If the student's classification is higher than 17 points, an oral exam is required.</p>

**Bibliography**

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- \* Mayes, T. & Shank, T. (1996), *Financial Analysis with Microsoft Excel*, 1<sup>a</sup> Edição, The Dresden Press.
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