Course Description
B.A. Programme
Finance Department

1603201 Principles of Financial Management (3 Credit Hours)
Prerequisite: (1602102)

This course explains the basic concepts related to the components of finance as a field of study, i.e., Public Finance, Financial management, and Personal Finance, as well as the major objectives and issues of each component. It also discuses related concepts such as cash flow, liquidity, profitability, risk, and capital structure.

In addition, the duties, authorities and the qualifications of the chief financial officer (CFO) are discussed as well as the trade off between risk and return is explained.

1603306 Personal Finance (3 Credit Hours)
Prerequisite: (1603201)

This course explains the basic principles of personal finance such as financial planning, tax, insurance, investment decisions, and pension plans, from the personal and the family point of view. These topics will be explained by considering the Arab culture in general, and our Jordanian culture in particular.

1603311 Financial Analysis (3 Credit Hours)
Prerequisite: (1603201)

This course explains how to use and interpret financial data to assess a firm's overall performance and pinpoints the weak and the strong points of its current financial standing.

This course also discusses types of ratios used in financial analysis, their limitations, as well as the applications of analytical procedures to a number of decisions such as investment in a firm's stock, lending it, as well as financial distress prediction.
1603321  Banking Management  
Prerequisite: (1603201)  
This course explains: the basic concepts and components of the banking system; its important role in the economy; the sources of funds and the basic principles of employing such funds in a commercial bank; how to manage a commercial bank and what are the various functions of such a bank in detail, and finally, how to analyse a bank's financial statements for dealing-with it and/or managing it, purposes.

1603331  Investments Management  
Prerequisite: (1603201)  
This course explains the various aspects of the investment decision such as: the basic concepts of investments, investment instruments and tools with a glance at investment markets and institutions; evaluation of financial and real investment tools and finally, special cases in real investment evaluation.

1603352  Principles of Insurance  
Prerequisite: (1603201)  
This course explains the basic concepts of insurance, risk, insurance policy and premiums, as well as insurance role in the economy. In addition, it discusses the various types of insurance that are important to business, as well as insurance institutions in Jordan.

1603403  Corporate Finance  
Prerequisite: (1603201)  
This course completes, in-depth, the topics discussed in the introductory courses: principles of financial management and investments management. In addition, this course deals with many other financial subjects such as: the agency problem, leverage, the trade-off between risk and return, and working capital management. Some other important financing and investment decisions such as when to replace an asset, lease or buy, and the cost of capital, are explained.
1603404 Financial Planning and Control (3 Credit Hours)
Prerequisite: (1603201)
This course explains the concepts of financial planning and control. This includes financial planning models, liquidity planning including cash budgeting, long-term, and short-term cash needs as well as planning to improve profitability through the various kinds of leverage. Also how to construct proforma statements is also explained.

In addition, the financial control goals, procedures, types, tools and institutions at the private and the public level are also explained.

1603405 International Financial Management (3 Credit Hours)
Prerequisite: (1603201)
This course explains the conceptual framework within which the financial decisions of the multinational firm can be taken and analyzed. It includes the main aspects of financing and investment decisions in an international context and their applications to a broad range of practical issues.

1603422 Islamic Banking (3 Credit Hours)
Prerequisite: (1603321)
This course contains detailed information about Islamic Banks, their characteristics, nature, financial structure, functions, and their financial resources and uses of such resources.

In addition, the course explains the relationships between Islamic Banks and their customers, commercial banks, and the central bank.

1603435 Portfolio Management (3 Credit Hours)
Prerequisite: (1603331)
This course examines the theoretical and the applied aspects of portfolio management and consists of six parts:
The investment environment, market efficiency, portfolio theory, fundamental securities analysis and performance evaluation.
1603441  Financial Market  (3 Credit Hours)  
Prerequisite: (1603201)  

This course provides conceptual understanding of the function of financial markets, their various types, institutions and instruments; explains how to read and understand the related published information in the financial mass media.

In addition it discusses the efficiency of the financial markets as well as the various types of risk that a company dealing in financial markets faces.

1603442  Financial Institutions  (3 Credit Hours)  
Prerequisite: (1603201)  

This course discusses the basic information about contractual, depository and service types of financial institutions. The nature of their work, their sources of funds and their role in the economy, as well as how to manage the resources of such institutions are explained in detail with examples on Gap, NiM and Assets / Liabilities management approaches.

1603452  Risk Management  (3 Credit Hours)  
Prerequisite: (1603201)  

This course explains the basic concepts of risk management. This includes risk definition, types of risk, how to measure them and how to lessen the exposure to risk.

The course also includes information about the new-found knowledge of some theories linking risk and return in a competitive economy, and how these theories can help the financial manager cope with risk in practical situations.

1603465  Seminar in Financial Management  (3 Credit Hours)  
Prerequisite: Consent of the Department  

This course deals with a specific major topic in finance that changes every semester. It gives the students an opportunity to search and write in aspects related to that topic. Each student might select a related aspect, and he or she has to present and discuss his/her work with his/her colleagues in the class. The major topic of the course has to be approved by the department.