

Faculty	Economic and Management Sciences		
Home Department	Finance		
Module Topic	Finance Research Methods		
Generic Module Name	Finance Research Methods 710		
Alpha-numeric Code	FIN710		
NQF Level	8		
NQF Credit Value	15		
Duration	Semester		
Proposed semester to be offered	First Semester		
Programmes in which module will be offered	BCom Hons (Finance) (1721/1722)		
Year Level	7		
Main Outcomes	<p>The module aims to develop quantitative and qualitative research skills in the area of finance.</p> <p>On completion of this module students should be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discusses the phases of the finance research process • Demonstrate ability to identify and review literature related to finance research questions and topics • Identify the main research designs and theories used in the field of finance • Identify areas of research interest in the finance domain. • Evaluate alternatives and select an appropriate methodology for their study. • Understand and engage with the ethical issues involved in the finance research process • Write up and present a finance research seminar paper. • Develop a research proposal (or complete draft Introduction, Literature Review, and Research Method chapters) to complete the requirements of the Research Report or Field Study • Carry out a quantitative analysis and apply the model estimation techniques for the purpose of hypothesis testing 		
Main Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research processes in finance • Research topics in investment and corporate finance • Critical Analysis of academic literature in proposed area of finance research • Formulating coherent academic arguments and research questions • Seminar preparation and presentation • Computational research techniques • Quantitative and qualitative research design for Finance • Technical academic writing and Research proposal writing • Writing up the Research Report 		
Pre-requisite modules	None		
Co-requisite modules	None		
Prohibited module Combinations	None		
Breakdown of Learning Time	Hours	Timetable Requirement per week	Other teaching modes that does not require time-table

Contact with lecturer / tutor:	36	<i>Lectures p.w.</i>	3	
Assignments & tasks:	24	<i>Practicals p.w.</i>	1	
Practicals:	10	<i>Tutorials p.w.</i>	0	
Assessments:	5			
Self-study:	50			
Other: (Presentation and Proposal Writing)	25			
Total Learning Time	150			
Methods of Student Assessment	Continuous Assessment (CA): 50% Final Assessment (FA): 50%			
Assessment Module type	Continuous and Final Assessment (CFA)			