
SYLLABUS

SEMESTER PERSONAL FINANCE SYLLABUS

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

The semester-long personal finance course covers all of the essential personal finance topics necessary to become a financially capable student. Topics include banking, credit, budgeting, investing, career planning, and more.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

By the end of this course, students will have a thorough understanding of personal finance topics and be prepared to handle the financial responsibilities that exist after graduation.

UNIT CALENDAR

UNIT 1: Behavioral Economics	Learn how cognitive biases and other outside influences can affect your decisions
UNIT 2: Banking	Learn the essentials bank accounts, why we save, and how to save
UNIT 3: Investing	Learn about the stock market along with investment strategies & retirement
UNIT 4: Types of Credit	Learn about credit, credit cards, and loans
UNIT 5: Managing Credit	Learn how to manage your credit, credit score and debts
UNIT 6: Paying for College	Learn about scholarships, grants, student loans and repaying after college
UNIT 7: Insurance	Learn about what insurance is and take a deeper dive into different types of insurance
UNIT 8: Taxes	Learn about the US tax system and filing a tax return
UNIT 9: Budgeting	Learn how to build budgets for all of the different parts of your life
Unit 10: Consumer Skills	Learn how to be a savvy consumer, avoid scams & fraud, and avoid identity theft

ASSESSMENTS

Students will be assessed using pen and paper as well as computerized testing and activities.

GRADING

Tests-33%

Quizzes-33%

Classwork-33%

TECHNOLOGY/LMS REQUIREMENTS

Laptop

REQUIRED MATERIALS

Laptop

CLASSROOM POLICIES:

All school rules will be enforced; please review and remember those rules.

No hats or hoods.

Phone goes in the phone holder.

One person at a time out to the bathroom, only after the first 10 minutes and before the last 10 minutes of class.