Course Description
This course aims to introduce to senior secondary school students some of the major concepts and aspects of finance that they may come across in daily life. Such will enable students to understand the scope of different finance functions, and to appreciate how each of those functions may contribute to economic development.

Topics
1. Course Introduction
2. Understanding Financial Markets
3. Understanding Interest Rates
4. Valuation Basics
5. Understanding Bonds
6. Understanding Stocks
7. Understanding Risk and Investments
8. Preparing report on financial news

Grading Scheme
- In-class News Discussion (20%)
- Group Presentation on Finance News (30%)
- Peer Evaluation (10%)
- Exam (40%)

[Topics and grading schemes are subject to change as deemed appropriate. Students will receive information and guidelines in class on how they will be assessed for the course.]

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