

GAME PLAN - PERSONAL FINANCE - SPRING 2009

The course schedule will approximately follow this game plan:

Date	Topical Coverage	Assignment
Week 1: Jan 12 - Jan 16	Introduction to Personal Finance Chapter 1: Understanding the Financial Planning Process	Read through course syllabus. Read chapter, answering Concept Check questions as you go (but not to turn in). Think about how the authors' perspective in what you are reading agrees with or disagrees with the Bible and Christian teaching. Listen and participate. <i>Access</i> http://www.johnzietlow.com (then, select Personal Finance link)
Week 2: Jan 19 - Jan 23 <i>Note: No classes on Martin Luther King Day, 1/19</i>	Wed: Chapter 2: Your Financial Statements and Plans	Read chapter, answering Concept Check questions as you go (but not to turn in). <i>Access</i> Chap 2 HW Helps.
Week 3: Jan 26 - Jan 30	Mon: Finish Chapter 2 Wed.: Chapter 3: Managing Your Taxes	Read chapter, answering Critical Thinking questions as you go. Wed. 2/28: Turn in Chapter 2: Probs. 6, 7, 10 (use Excel or XTRA worksheets) <i>Access</i> Chap 3 HW Helps.
Week 4: Feb 2 - Feb 6	Mon: Finish Chapter 3 Wed: Start Chap. 4: Managing Your Cash and Savings	Read chapter, answering Critical Thinking questions as you go. Study bank reconciliation carefully. Wed. 2/4: Turn in Chap. 3 Prob. 5, pp. 124-125 (use Excel or XTRA worksheets)
Week 5: Feb 9 - Feb 13	Mon.: Guest Speaker: Daniel Blatz, US Bank (Washington Square) Wed.: Chap. 5: Making Automobile and Housing Decisions	Read chapter, answering Critical Thinking questions as you go. <i>Access</i> Chap 5 HW Helps. Work on Chap. 5, Problems 2, 8, 10, pp. 218-220 (may use Excel or XTRA worksheets)

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Week 6: Feb 16 - Feb 20	<p><i>MON. - EXAM 1: CHAPS. 1-4</i> (bring calculator).</p> <p>Wed.: Chap. 5, continued.</p>	<p><i>Exam 1: Chaps. 1-4</i></p> <p>Bring calculator to exam.</p>
Week 7: Feb 23 - Feb 27 <i>Fri. 2/27 is semester midpoint.</i>	Chapter 6: Borrowing on Open Account	Mon. 2/23: Turn in Ch. 5, Probs. 2, 8, 10. Read chapter, answering Critical Thinking questions as you go.
Week 8: Mar 2 - Mar 6	Chap. 7: Using Consumer Loans	Read chapter, answering Critical Thinking questions as you go.
<i>MARCH 9 - MARCH 13</i>	<i>SPRING BREAK</i>	<i>RELAX AND HAVE A SAFE & ENJOYABLE WEEK!</i>
Week 9: Mar 16 - Mar 20	<p>Mon.: Chapter 8: Insuring Your Life</p> <p><i>WED. - EXAM 2: CHAPS. 5-7.</i></p>	<p>Read chapter, answering Critical Thinking questions as you go.</p> <p><i>Exam 2 - Bring calculator to exam.</i></p>
Week 10: Mar 23 - Mar 27 <i>Note: Monday 3/23 is last day to drop.</i>	<p>Mon.: Chap. 9: Insuring Your Health</p> <p>Wed.: Chapter 11: Investment Planning</p>	---
Week 11: Mar 30-Apr 3	Wed.: Guest speaker: Investment Planning	---
Week 12: Apr 6 - Apr 9 (Th) <i>Note: Thurs 4/9 Malone holds the class that would normally be held on Fri 4/10 (No classes on Good Friday, 4/10, or Monday, 4/13).</i>	<p>Mon.: Chapter 12: Investing in Stocks and Bonds</p> <p><i>WED. - TURN IN COURSE PROJECT</i></p>	<p>Read chapter, answering Critical Thinking questions as you go.</p> <p><i>WED. 4/8 - TURN IN COURSE PROJECT</i></p>
Week 13: (Tu)Apr 14 - Apr 17	Wed.: Chapter 13: Mutual Funds & Guest speaker: Mutual Funds	Read chapter, answering Critical Thinking questions as you go.

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Week 14: Apr 20 - Apr 24	<p><i>MON. - EXAM 3: Chaps. 11-13.</i></p> <p><i>Wed.: Careers in Finance special presentation - Colleen Winney.</i></p>	<p><i>MON. 4/20 - Exam 3 - Bring calculator.</i></p>
Week 15: Monday Apr 27 (All classes end Tuesday, Apr. 28.)	<p>Mon.: Chap. 14: Planning for Retirement</p> <p>Chap. 15: Preserving Your Estate</p>	<p>Read chapters, answering Critical Thinking questions as you go.</p>
<p><i>FINAL EXAM:</i></p> <p><i>MONDAY, MAY 4, from 3:30-4:30 P.M.</i></p> <p><i>Note: May 9 is commencement.</i></p>	<p><i>COVERAGE: All material assigned since last exam, including any handouts or other supplements.</i></p>	<p><i>Bring calculator.</i></p>