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PhD-Seminar Advanced Studies in Finance and Financial Control

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The seminar is dedicated to advanced topics in the field of finance and financial control. It particularly addresses the following fields of interest:

- Applied financial econometrics
- Asset pricing and capital market microstructure
- Empirical finance, Empirical corporate finance
- Risk management
- Financial control

The seminar is addressed to participants who actively want to enhance their understanding in selected parts of the above areas. Contents will be discussed based on the following (non-exclusive) list of references, see Section II.

Participants should have acquired advanced skills in finance, applied statistics and econometrics, as well as background knowledge in probability theory and random processes (see e.g. Section I.).

Organizational details are given in Section III. Intense discussion of the contents within the seminar is encouraged.

I. General References

I.1 Finance

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Merton R. C. (1990): Continuous-Time Finance, Blackwell, New York.

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I.2 Applied Probability

Grimmett G. R., Stirzaker D. R. (2001): Probability and Random Processes, 3rd ed., Oxford University Press, Oxford.

van der Vaart A. W. (1998): Asymptotic Statistics, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge.

I.3 Empirical Finance

Brooks C. (2014): Introductory Econometrics for Finance, 3rd ed., Cambridge University Press, Cambridge.

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I.4 Econometrics

Greene W. H. (2018): Econometric Analysis, 8th ed, Pearson, London.

Kennedy P. (2008): A Guide to Econometrics, 6th ed., Wiley, New York.

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I.4 Special Topics in Statistics and Econometrics

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Greenberg E. (2008): Introduction to Bayesian Econometrics, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge.

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I.5 Special Topics in Finance and Financial Control

The following references provide further overview treatments on special topics in finance and financial control, including applied financial econometrics.

Amihud Y., Mendelson H., Pedersen L. H. (2005): Liquidity and Asset Pricing, Foundations and Trends in Finance, Volume 1, pp. 269-364.

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I.6 Computational and Other References

The following references provide treatments on computational statistics and numerical financial calculations. They mostly include treatments of R.

Davison A. C., Hinkley D. V. (1997): Bootstrap Methods and their Application, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge.

- Faraway J. J. (2005):** Linear Models with R, Chapman & Hall/CRC, Boca Raton.
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- Nenadic O., Zucchini W. (2004):** Statistical Analysis with R, Mimeo, Göttingen.
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- Cochrane J. H. (2001):** Asset Pricing, Princeton University Press, Princeton.
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- Lengwiler Y. (2004):** Microfoundations of Financial Economics, Princeton University Press, Princeton.
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Davidson R., MacKinnon J. G. (1993): Estimation and Inference in Econometrics, Oxford University Press, Oxford.

Gourieroux C., Jasiak J. (2001): Financial Econometrics, Princeton University Press, Princeton.

Hamilton J. D. (1994): Time Series Analysis, Princeton University Press, Princeton.

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II.4 Risk Modelling, Management and Financial Control

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- Taylor S. J. (2005):** Asset Price Dynamics, Volatility, and Prediction, Princeton University Press, Princeton.
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II.5 Statistical Modeling and Financial Control

- Beran J. (1994):** Statistics for Long-Memory Processes, Chapman & Hall CRC, Boca Raton.
- Coles S. (2001):** An Introduction to Statistical Modeling of Extreme Values, Springer, London.
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- Zucchini W., MacDonald I. L. (2009):** Hidden Markov Models for Time Series, Chapman & Hall CRC, Boca Raton.

III. Organizational Issues

Type of Course:	Blocked seminar
Target Audience:	PhD Students in Business and Economics with a research interest in Corporate Finance, Financial Economics, International Financial Markets, Financial Econometrics and / or Financial Control.
Credit Points:	Creditable as a PhD Seminar
Contribution:	(i) Interactive contributions to the seminar <i>discussion</i>; (ii) In-depth <i>presentation</i> of a relevant field of interest as treated in the references of Section II. Additionally, books from Sections I.1 and I.2 as well as individual book or literature review suggestions are possible choices. The presented field should relate to one reference or to several chapters of two references. All selections are subject to individual arrangement between supervisor and candidate. (iii) Based on the field of interest in (ii), a written three page <i>research proposal</i>, which includes benchmark paper references and the basic research idea.
Registration:	Application via Email to the Chair in Finance and Financial Control: fincon@uni-passau.de .