

**ECONOMICS 136**  
**READING ASSIGNMENTS AND COURSE OUTLINE**

**Text** Bodie, Kane, and Marcus: *Investments*, Irwin/McGraw-Hill (4th edition), 1999.  
**Reader** Econ 136 Reader, Copy Central, 2560 Bancroft.

Tu	Jan 18	Introduction
Th	Jan 21	Some Fundamentals Reader: Part I
Tu	Jan 25	The Financial Environment, Returns and Risk Premiums Text: Chapters 1 & 5 (including appendix)
Th	Jan 27	Risk and Risk Aversion Text: Chapter 6 (including appendices)
Tu	Feb 1	Combining the Risky Asset with the Risk-Free Asset Text: Chapter 7
Th	Feb 3	Optimal Risky Portfolios Text: Chapter 8 (including appendices)
Tu	Feb 8	Capital Asset Pricing Model (CAPM) Text: Chapter 9 (through p.263 only)
Th	Feb 10	CAPM (continued) Text: Chapter (through p.263 only, continued)
Tu	Feb 15	Review
Th	Feb 17	<b>EXAMINATION</b> <b>Covers material through Feb 10</b>
Tu	Feb 22	Market Efficiency Text: Chapter 12
Th	Feb 24	Market Efficiency (continued) Text: Chapter 12 (continued)
Tu	Feb 29	Term Structure of Interest Rates Text: Chapter 15
Th	Mar 2	Term Structure of Interest Rates (continued) Text: Chapter 15 (continued)
Tu	Mar 7	Option Markets Text: Chapter 20

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Th	Mar 9	Option Markets (continued) Text: Chapter 20 (continued)
Tu	Mar 14	Option Valuation Text: Chapter 21
Th	Mar 16	Option Valuation (continued) Text: Chapter 21 (continued)
Tu	Mar 21	Review
Th	Mar 23	<b>EXAMINATION</b> <b>Covers material for Feb 22 through Mar 16</b>
<b>Tu &amp; Th</b>	<b>Mar 28 &amp; 30</b>	<b>SPRING RECESS</b>
Tu	Apr 4	Futures Markets Text: Chapter 22
Th	Apr 6	Futures Markets (continued) Text: Chapter 22 (continued)
Tu	Apr 11	Futures and Swaps Text: Chapter 23
Th	Apr 13	Futures and Swaps (continued) Text: Chapter 23 (continued)
Tu	Apr 18	Banks Reader: Part II
Th	Apr 20	Banks (continued) Reader: Part III
Tu	Apr 25	The S&L Debacle Reader: pp. Part IV
Th	Apr 27	The S&L Debacle (continued) Reader: Part IV (continued)
Tu	May 2	The S&L Debacle (continued) Reader: Part IV (continued)
Th	May 4	Review
<b>Wed</b>	<b>May 17</b>	<b>FINAL EXAMINATION</b> <b>5:00-8:00 P.M.</b>