

Financial Economics for Citizens

(VL + UE, 4 SWS, 6 SP)

This course presents topics regarding finance as a part of social science. The course starts with a non-technical (not too technical) introduction to finance. In this introduction, we will also view finance from the perspective of science studies. In the second part of the course, we consider a range of topics at the intersection of finance and political science.

Prerequisite: Grundlagen der Finanzwirtschaft I

Textbook: Bernanke, B. S.: „*The Federal Reserve and the Financial Crisis*“, Princeton University Press (2013)

Bernstein, P. L.: "*Capital Ideas: The Remarkable Origins of Modern Wall Street*", Free Press (1992)

Bernstein, P. L.: "*Capital Ideas Evolving*", John Wiley & Sons (2007)

Calomiris, C. W.; Haber, S. H.: "*Fragile by Design: The Political Origins of Banking Crises and Scarce Credit*", Princeton University Press (2014)

Goetzmann, W. N.: „*Money changes everything*“, Princeton University Press (2016)

Goldsmith, R. W.: „*Premodern financial systems: A historical comparative study*“, Cambridge University Press (2008)

Kindleberger, C. P.: „*Manias, Panics and Crashes: A History of Financial Crisis*“, John Wiley & Sons, 3rd Edition (1996)

MacKenzie, D.: "*An Engine, Not a Camera: How Financial Models Shape Markets*", MIT Press (2006)

Mian, A.; Sufi, A.: „*House of Debt*“, University of Chicago Press (2014)

Neal, L.: „*A Concise History of International Finance*“, Cambridge University Press (2015)

Rajan, R. G.; Zingales, Luigi: "*Saving Capitalism from the Capitalists*", Princeton University Press (2004)

Evaluation: multimedia-based exam (20 min) and preparation