

## Content

Course Code	Course Name	Semester	Theory	Practice	Lab	Credit	ECTS
G465	Special Topics in Finance	7	0	3	3	3	5

Prerequisites	
Admission Requirements	

Language of Instruction	Turkish
Course Type	Elective
Course Level	Bachelor Degree
Objective	This course aims to introduce several topics of corporate finance which are not analyzed by introductory finance courses in detail. This course forces students to read and understand "greatest hits" in corporate finance, and it aims to teach students several valuation and financing methods.
Content	<p>Week 1. Corporate Governance &amp; Agency Costs – I</p> <p>Week 2. Corporate Governance &amp; Agency Costs – II</p> <p>Week 3. Corporate Social Responsibility</p> <p>Week 4. Mergers &amp; Acquisitions – I</p> <p>Week 5. Mergers &amp; Acquisitions – II</p> <p>Week 6. Executive Remuneration</p> <p>Week 7. Political Connections</p> <p>Week 8. Entrepreneurial Finance – I</p> <p>Week 9. Entrepreneurial Finance – II</p> <p>Week 10. Capital Structure – I</p> <p>Week 11. Capital Structure – II</p> <p>Week 12. Dividend Policy</p> <p>Week 13. Project Finance</p> <p>Week 14. Trade Finance</p>
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Week 12:

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Weeks 13-14:

- Lecture Notes & Guest Speaker

## Theory Topics

Week	Weekly Contents
1	Corporate Governance & Agency Costs – I
2	Corporate Governance & Agency Costs – II
3	Corporate Social Responsibility
4	Mergers & Acquisitions – I
5	Mergers & Acquisitions – II
6	Executive Remuneration

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7	Political Connections
8	Entrepreneurial Finance - I
9	Entrepreneurial Finance - II
10	Capital Structure - I
11	Capital Structure - II
12	Dividend Policy
13	Project Finance
14	Trade Finance