



Economics 173AL Finance Lab

Spring 2014

Meetings 16:00 -16:50 Monday, Wednesday

Wells Fargo Hall, Rady Campus

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Resources

1. A Reading List (provided).
2. LIAR'S POKER, Michael Lewis.
3. A Laptop with Microsoft Excel®

Course Objective:

This course is an adjunct to Economics 173A, Financial Markets. We have three goals:

- (1) acquire a working professional vocabulary related to investment management;
- (2) learn critical issues in financial securities valuation,
- (3) improve Excel skills.

Structure

We will work with Excel® Spreadsheets, watch videos, hold discussions on previously assigned reading, and listen to a guest speaker on most Mondays – pending speaker availability.

Grades will be determined by individual performance across the following weighted assignments:

Event/Assignments:

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| a) Attendance for Speakers is important. | 50 percent; |
| b) A one page summary of one speaker's presentation | 25 percent. |
| c) Six PPT Slide 3-4 minute Briefing to the class | 10 percent; |
| d) Liar's Poker Quiz | 10 percent. |
| e) Final Exam | 5 percent. |