Derivative Securities

Business Administration 316

Section: D100

Term: 2000 Summer

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Discussion Topics: Course Objectives:

The course provides both a theoretical and practical introduction to derivative securities: futures, options and forward contracts.

Course Coverage:

- A. Futures and Forward Contracts
- 1. Introduction
- 2. Price determination: Hedgers, speculators and arbitrageurs.
- 3. Hedging Strategies.
- 4. Speculative Strategies: The Mechanics of spread trading.
- B. Options
- 1. Introduction
- 2. Option Strategies
- 3. Option Valuation I: Mathematical background
- 4. Option Valuation II: Black-Scholes and its developments

5. Applications of options valuation to other areas.

Grading: 15% Participation (futures/options game) & Assignments

35% Midterm Exam

50% Final Exam

100%

Required Texts: Hull; Introduction to Futures & Options Markets, 3rd ed, Prentice-Hall: 1998.

Dubofsky, Options & Financial Futures, McGraw-Hill: 1992.

Recommended Texts:

Materials/Supplies:

Prerequisite/Corequisite: Prerequisites:

BUS 312 & BUEC 333; 60 credit hours.

Students with credit for BUS 416 may not take BUS 316 for further credit.

Notes: The exams will be based on assignments which will be handed out during the term.

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