

# FINC 7007 FINANCIAL PLANNING RESEARCH PROJECT

**Credit Points** 10

**Legacy Code** 200959

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**Description** Financial Planning Research Project encompasses a major research project and presentation. This equips students with skills to address challenges through research and the ability to apply knowledge developed in earlier subjects of study. This student-centered subject provides supervision of research and analytical practices to enhance skill development and capacity to engage with the problems confronting the financial planning industry. Students will have scope to focus on issues that are of particular concern to the financial planning industry. As an integrating subject, it demands participants bringing their knowledge together and with curiosity to develop recommendations in a format that can showcase their achievements.

**School** Business

**Discipline** Banking, Finance and Related Fields, Not Elsewhere Classified.

**Student Contribution Band** HECS Band 4 10cp

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**Level** Postgraduate Coursework Level 7 subject

## Restrictions

Students must be enrolled in 2793 Masters of Financial Planning and have successfully completed 80 credit points.

## Assumed Knowledge

Understanding of the financial planning environment and business communications skills.

## Learning Outcomes

1. Undertake tests of economic and financial hypotheses using empirical data and summarise their results in a sensible reporting format;
2. Apply quantitative analysis techniques;
3. Implement the basic elements of financial modelling and forecasting;
4. Use computer software to analyse financial problems;
5. Demonstrate ability to construct financial models.

## Subject Content

Introduction to Financial Modelling and Financial Data  
Correlation Analysis  
Introduction to Simple Regression  
Multiple Regressions  
Regression with Dummy Variables  
Regression with Lagged Explanatory Variables  
Univariate Time Series Analysis  
Regression with Time Series Variables  
Financial Volatility

Revision and writing an Empirical Project

## Assessment

The following table summarises the standard assessment tasks for this subject. Please note this is a guide only. Assessment tasks are regularly updated, where there is a difference your Learning Guide takes precedence.

Type	Length	Percent	Threshold	Individual/ Group Task	Mandatory
Presentation	15 minutes presentation and 10 minutes questions	30	N	Individual	N
Report	4,000 words	70	N	Individual	N

Prescribed Texts

- Koop, Gary. 2006, Analysis of Financial Data, John Wiley and Sons Ltd, West Sussex, England.

Teaching Periods

## Quarter 3 (2025)

### Online

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