

Mathematics Department
Brooklyn College, City University of New York
Math 2601 (Introduction to Financial Mathematics)
4 hours lecture; 4 credits

Suggested Textbooks:

- Mathematics of Investment and Credit, by Samuel A. Broverman
- Mathematical Interest Theory, by Stephen Kellison
- Interest Theory: Financial Mathematics and Deterministic Valuation, by Joe Francis and Chris Ruckman
- Financial Mathematics for Actuaries, Wai-Sum Chan and Yiu-Kuen Tse

1. Time value of money

- Interest rate, simple interest and compound interest
- Accumulation function
- Future value, current value, present value and net present value
- Discount factor and discount rate
- Nominal rate, convertible m-thly rate, and effective rate
- Inflation and real rate of interest
- Force of interest
- Equation of value

2. Annuities/cash flows with non-contingent payments

- Annuity-immediate, annuity due, and perpetuity
- m-thly payable and continuously payable annuities
- Level payment annuity, arithmetic annuity and geometric annuity

3. Loans

- Principal, interest and term of loan
- Outstanding balance and final payment (drop payment, balloon payment)
- Amortization

4. Bonds

- Price, book value, amortization of premium, and accumulation of discount
- Redemption value and par value/face value
- Yield rate
- Coupon and coupon rate
- Callable/non-callable bonds

5. General cash flows and portfolios

- Yield rate/rate of return
- Dollar-weighted rate of return, time-weighted rate of return
- Current value
- Duration (Macaulay and modified) and convexity (Macaulay and modified)
- Spot rate and forward rate
- Yield curve
- Stock price and dividend

6. Immunization

- Cash flow matching
- Immunization (including full immunization)
- Redington immunization.

The order in which the topics are covered is at the discretion of the instructor.