Principles of Finance and Financial Planning (5070/5075)

- 1. Explain the origin of money and banking including the early history of banking in the United States.
- 2. Identify the organization of the Federal Reserve System and explain how it influences banks and the economy.
- 3. Describe the services and accounts offered by various types of depository and non-depository institutions.
- 4. Compare and contrast the functions and purposes of alternative types of financial services companies.
- 5. Describe the money supply, how it is measured, and how it circulates in the United States.
- 6. Evaluate contemporary issues in the financial services industry, including the level of personal savings, the effect of the financial services industry on communities and families.
- 7. Describe how technological and global innovations have changed the financial services industry through the years.
- Identify strategies for successful financial planning and understanding the importance of good credit, as well as the components of FICO scores.
- 9. Explain important concepts in financial planning, including ethics, time-and-money relationships, and tax reduction.
- 10. Explain different types of insurance and summarize their purpose.
- 11. Evaluate the rewards and risks of borrowing and investing and compare most of the popular types of investments, including traditional bank accounts.
- 12. Explain the importance of insurance in financial decisions and understand risk management.
- 13. Identify the check-writing, check depositing/signing, and reconciling bank accounts processes.
- 14. Describe investment strategies and compare some of the most popular types of investments, including traditional bank products, stocks, bonds, mutual funds, and housing.