# FACULTY OF APPLIED AND HEALTH SCIENCES DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS \& PHYSICS UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION FOR: <br> MATHEMATICS AND FINANCE <br> BFI 4150: PRINCIPLES OF FINANCE <br> <br> END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION <br> <br> END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION <br> SERIES:DECEMBER2016 <br> TIME:2HOURS <br> DATE:Pick DateDec2016 

## Instructions to Candidates

You should have the following for this examination
-Answer Booklet, examination pass and student ID
This paper consists of Choose No questions. Attemptquestion ONE (Compulsory) and any other TWO questions.
Do not write on the question paper.

## Question ONE

a) How does the nature of a business affect its sources of financing?

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b) How is debt different from equity?

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c) Explain the three trade-offs that guide the choice between debt financing and equity financing

7MARKS
d) Assume that you are starting a business for the first time. What do you believe are the greatest personal obstacles to obtaining funds for the new venture? Why?

9MARKS

## Question TWO

The following net cash flows relate to two projects:

NET CASH FLOWS (IN \$ 1,000)

| YEAR | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| PROJECT A | -60 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 |
| PROJECT B | -72 | 45 | 22 | 20 | 13 | 13 | 13 |

(i) Calculate the NPVs for each project, assuming $10 \%$ cost of capital.

5MARKS
(ii) Assuming that the two projects are independent, would you accept them if the cost of capital is $15 \%$ ?

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(iii) What is the IRR of each project?

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(iv) Which of the two projects would you prefer if they are mutually exclusive, given a $15 \%$ discount rate?

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## Question THREE

a)Given the cash flows of the four projects, A, B, C, and D, and using the Payback Period decision model, which projects do you accept and which projects do you reject with a three year cut-off period for recapturing the initial cash outflow? Assume that the cash flows are equally distributed over the year for Payback Period calculations.

8MARKS

| Projects | $\boldsymbol{A}$ | $\boldsymbol{B}$ | $\boldsymbol{C}$ | $\boldsymbol{D}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cost | $\$ 10,000$ | $\$ 25,000$ | $\$ 45,000$ | $\$ 100,000$ |
| Cash Flow Year One | $\$ 4,000$ | $\$ 2,000$ | $\$ 10,000$ | $\$ 40,000$ |
| Cash Flow Year Two | $\$ 4,000$ | $\$ 8,000$ | $\$ 15,000$ | $\$ 30,000$ |
| Cash Flow Year Three | $\$ 4,000$ | $\$ 14,000$ | $\$ 20,000$ | $\$ 20,000$ |
| Cash Flow Year Four | $\$ 4,000$ | $\$ 20,000$ | $\$ 20,000$ | $\$ 10,000$ |
| Cash Flow year Five | $\$ 4,000$ | $\$ 26,000$ | $\$ 15,000$ | $\$ 0$ |
| Cash Flow Year Six | $\$ 4,000$ | $\$ 32,000$ | $\$ 10,000$ | $\$ 0$ |

b) Explain the agency conflicts in a firm and how the conflict can be minimized

## Question FOUR

Explain any five types of loans and their limitations.
20 MARKS

## Question FIVE

Explain the role of Capital Markets Authority of Kenya 20 MARKS

