

<b>Module Title:</b>	<b>Personal Finance</b>
<b>Academic year:</b>	2009 – 2010
<b>Credit Value:</b>	5 – Elective
<b>Pre- requisites:</b>	None
<b>Assessment:</b>	70% Final Exam, 30% Continuous Assessment (CA)
<b>Aims</b>	This module aims to assist students to apply microeconomic and financial concepts to their personal finances. It aims to provide students with a wide understanding of both the products available and current practical methods used in personal finance decision-making. It introduces students to many of the financial concepts which can be applied in their business career and provides a foundation for future modules. In addition the module aims to allow students to identify and quantify the effects of the taxation structure in Ireland on their personal finances.
<b>Module Content</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Budgeting</li> <li>• Investing for the future</li> <li>• Loans and mortgages</li> <li>• Investment products and strategies.</li> <li>• Introduction to the taxation system.</li> </ul>
<b>Intended Learning Outcomes:</b>	<p><b>On successful completion of the module the student will be expected to be able to:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Demonstrate knowledge of and how to apply the essential concept of budgetary control to personal finances</li> <li>2. Apply the main theories, concepts and knowledge that underpin personal finance to solve practical financial problems</li> <li>3. Use mathematical techniques in conjunction with financial and economic models to appraise investment and borrowing products and strategies that can improve both personal finances and demonstrates knowledge of the current financial and economic environment</li> <li>4. Identify and quantify the effects of the taxation structure in Ireland on their personal finances</li> </ol>