



PROFILE SEMINAR FINANCE (5100-311)

”RISK”

Summer Term 2026

The seminar focuses on the fundamental aspects of risk in financial markets, particularly the identification, quantification, and management of risks.

The topics are divided into two tracks:

A-topics (empirical): These focus on the analysis of real-world data, such as measuring market, credit, or operational risks. Students apply statistical methods and econometric models to assess risks quantitatively.

B-topics (theoretical): This track covers conceptual models and theoretical approaches to risk management, such as portfolio theory, value-at-risk, or regulatory frameworks, without direct data analysis.

Basic statistical knowledge is useful for both tracks to analyze and interpret risks effectively.

Elements and Grading

Course requirements include:

1. a short progress report (5 minutes) on your seminar project,
2. a 15 minute oral presentation of your seminar paper with subsequent discussion,
3. the preparation and submission of a written seminar paper (approx. 7500 to 8500 words, 11pt font, 1.5 linespacing).

Grading will be based on the final seminar paper (60%), the final presentation of the seminar paper (30%), and the interim short presentation (10%).

Schedule

The seminar will be structured as follows:

1. Application for seminar participation is open until **8 April 2026 12:00 noon**.
2. In-person kick-off meeting for seminar participants: **8 April 2026 15:00** (HS 34).
3. Final deadline for submitting the mandatory seminar paper outline: **15 April 2026**.
4. Short progress report: **20 May 2026 16:00** (S 07). ATTENDANCE IS COMPULSORY!
5. In-person seminar presentations are scheduled for **2 July 2026 starting at 14:00** (S 12). Two days before this date (30 June 2026 12:00 noon), the slides for the presentation have to be submitted. Note that at this stage, no final seminar paper is required. ATTENDANCE IS COMPULSORY!
6. Deadline for the submission of the final seminar paper: **19 July 2026 00:00**.

Application for seminar participation

Students interested in participating in the seminar should write an email to datascience@uni-hohenheim.de accompanied by a current transcript of records.

A detailed list of topics will be made available in due course.