## ECON 350: FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & MARKETS DR. AHMET BURAK EMEL

## **COURSE CONTENT:**

The aim of this course is to help students to gain a basic understanding of Financial System. In this framework, following topics will be covered throughout the semester:

- Introduction to Financial System
- Direct Finance vs Indirect Finance
- Financial Markets: Basic Concepts
- Financial Institutions (Intermediaries): Basic Concepts
- Risks in the Financial System
- Bank Balance Sheet Analysis
- Regulation of Banks: Basel I-II-III
- Interest Rates: Basic Concepts and Computations

## **GRADING:**

Grading will depend on <u>Ranking in the Class</u>. The most successful 8-10% of the students will get an A and following 8-10% will get a A-, and so on. The lowest 8-10% may get an F. Grading weights are (*approximately*):

Midterm Exam	40%
Final Exam	60%

## **TEXT BOOK:**

• "The Economics of Money, Banking, and Financial Markets", Frederic S. Mishkin