

Midland College
Master Syllabus
Fall 2026

BUSG 1304 – Financial Literacy (3-0-0)

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

A study of the financial principles when managing financial affairs. Includes topics such as budgeting, retirement, property ownership, savings, and investment planning.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

In this course, students will:

- Identify the concepts associated with the time value of money
- Identify the differences among various savings and investment programs and classes of securities
- Identify the options for insurance
- Describe retirement and estate planning techniques
- Explain owning versus renting real property
- Describe consumer protection legislation.

PARTICIPATION STATEMENT: Students must actively participate by completing an academic assignment by the official census date. Students who do not do so, may be dropped from the course.

REQUIRED COURSE MATERIALS: Will be current. Students should contact their instructor prior to purchasing the text and supplies to confirm required course materials.

STUDENT CONTRIBUTIONS, RESPONSIBILITIES AND CLASS POLICIES: Will be posted by the instructor in individual course syllabus. Students should contact their instructor if they have any questions.

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY: Refer to Midland College's Scholastic Dishonesty and Academic Misconduct policy: <https://www.midland.edu/about/public-info/scholastic-dishonesty.php>

HONORS PROGRAM: Students interested in taking a course for honors credit, should contact their instructor. Refer to the Midland College Honors Program webpage for more details: <https://www.midland.edu/academics/honors.php>

DROPPING THE COURSE: Check the MC College Calendar for the last day to withdraw from the course and receive a "W." Please talk to the instructor before withdrawing.

EVALUATION OF STUDENTS: Will be posted by the instructor in individual course syllabus. Students should contact their instructor if they have any questions.

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