

Preliminary Syllabus

Course Title: Options and Futures: Practical Applications

Course Code: BUS 162

Quarter: Spring 2017

Instructor: Kartik Gada

Tentative Weekly Outline :

Week 1: Introduction to Options. Strike Prices, Expiration Dates, Premiums. Calls and Puts.

Week 2: The range of option types available. Weeklies, Leaps, Index Options, ETF Options

Week 3: Intermediate Options Structures; Spreads and Straddles

Week 4: Introduction to Futures

Week 5: Futures ETFs, Options on Futures ETFs

Week 6: Case Studies in Options/Futures usage

Week 7: Class Presentations in Practical Options Trades

Grade Options and Requirements

- No Grade Requested (NGR)
 - This is the default option. No work will be required; no credit shall be received; no proof of attendance can be provided.
- Credit/No Credit (CR/NC)
 - Students will be required to submit a final project that involves implementing concepts taught in the class to create an options/futures trade that is consistent with desired outcomes, addresses the full range of risk/reward scenarios, and provides evidence of knowledge being internalized. Each team of 2-3 will be presenting to the rest of the class, and field Q&A from the Instructor and other classmates.
- Letter Grade (A, B, C, D, No Pass)
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****Please Note:*** If you require proof that you completed a Continuing Studies course for any reason (for example, employer reimbursement), you must choose either the Letter Grade or Credit/No Credit option. Courses taken for NGR will not appear on official transcripts or grade reports.