Personal Welcome Message for ECON422L721_24U

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Hello, everyone, welcome to ECON422L721_24U. My name is Xiaoli Wang, and I am the instructor of this course.

Let me first start with a brief introduction of myself. I am an associate professor of finance at Marist. Before joining Marist in year 2011, I worked in the financial industry for many years, holding leading research positions in top financial companies including Bear Stearns (now a J.P Morgan Company), Banc of America Securities, Hagan Investment Management etc. I am looking forward to sharing my knowledge and experience with you and having a wonderful class together.

All the class related materials have been posted on our class Brightspace site and the required class materials include:

1. Capital Markets. Fabozzi. 5th edition (MIT Press), ISBN: 9780262331586

2. Financial calculator

Please note that some of the textbook contents can be very technical, but the students are not expected to understand all the supplicated math calculation, but rather the concepts or logics behinds the topics. Simple calculation is required as a test of understanding of the concepts.

If you have any question, feel free to reach out to me at <u>xiaoli.wang@marist.edu</u>.

Thank you and I am looking forward to meeting you in our class soon.