

Leveraged Financial Markets A Comprehensive Guide To Loans Bonds And Other High Yield Instruments Mcgraw Hill Financial Education Series

A highly visual look at major investment opportunities from the minds at Bloomberg The essential guide for anyone trying to get a handle on the fundamentals of investing, the Bloomberg Visual Guide to Financial Markets distills 30 years of Bloomberg expertise into one straightforward, easy-to-read volume. The book teaches readers about three basic investment options—governments, companies, and real assets, including gold and other commodities—and offers valuable insights into money-market securities, bonds, stocks, derivatives, mutual funds, exchange-traded funds, and alternatives. Designed to help financial professionals, students of finance, and individual investors understand the markets in which they're investing, the book begins with simple investments before moving onto more complex choices. Explains bonds, stocks, derivatives, mutual funds, exchange-traded funds, and alternatives such as hedge funds Explores the three Rs of returns, risks, and relative value that are associated with each type of investment Provides a highly visual presentation with an emphasis on graphics and professional applications The Bloomberg Visual Guide to Financial Markets gives the reader a clear picture of what underlies market structure, instruments, and dynamics and how to capitalize on these elements.

An in-depth explanation of mezzanine finance Mezzanine finance products, which have grown increasingly popular in recent years, involve a unique and complex form of analysis because of their hybrid nature. Because mezzanine finance involves no collateral, it accentuates legal terms, term sheets, and contracts, in addition to depicting dynamics of both debt and equity. Experienced chairman, lecturer, and professor of investment banking Luc Nijs presents readers with a thorough description of product groups, structuring and pricing, and cultural discrepancies in terms of regulation and application in *Mezzanine Financing: Tools, Applications and Total Performance*. Nijs analyzes common triumphs and failures encountered in mezzanine financing, and he discusses techniques for risk analysis and risk mitigation. A final study of international capital markets, their products' relevance, attractiveness, and liquidity, and the effects on pure equity/fixed-income risk concludes the book. Conveys a professional's advice through case studies of various regions, industries and contexts Provides the only complete analysis of mezzanine finance as no other books take on the topic as their only subject Details an increasingly popular and globally relevant subject in finance Those seeking a detailed explanation of the complexities within mezzanine financing will encounter a professional account in Nijs's book. Following a review and assessment of recent developments in capital market and banking systems, this year's *International Capital Markets* report reviews and assesses recent developments in mature and emerging financial markets and continues the analysis of key issues affecting global financial markets. It examines the systemic implications of the continued rapid development of the global over-the-counter derivatives markets and the expansion of foreign-owned banks into emerging markets. The report also analyzes market participants' assessments of the proposals for private sector involvement in the prevention and resolution crises.

Leveraged Exchange-Traded Funds (ETFs) are publicly-traded funds that promise to provide daily returns that are in a multiple (positive or negative) of the returns on an index. To meet that promise, the funds use leverage, which is typically obtained through derivatives such as futures contracts, forward contracts, and total-return swaps. As of the end of 2012, there were over 250 ETFs in North America with total assets of approximately \$32.24 billion. While the amount of assets held by these funds is still small, their popularity continues to grow as their trading volume is significantly larger and much more dynamic than traditional, non-leveraged ETFs. This comprehensive guide to ETFs provides high-level practitioners and researchers with a detailed reference tool for navigating the market and making informed investment decisions. Written from a measured analytical perspective, Miu and Charapat use clear and concise explanations of all important aspects of ETFs, focusing on such key elements as structure, pricing, performance, regulations, taxation, and trading strategies. The first two chapters set the stage for the book by identifying exactly what ETFs are and how they are regulated. The following chapters then look to bridge theory with practice to dive deep into the mechanics, portfolio rebalancing techniques, and daily compounding effects that make investing in these funds so lucrative.

An in-depth look at the latest innovations in mortgage-backed securities The largest sector of the fixed-income market is the mortgage market. Understanding this market is critical for portfolio managers, as well as issuers who must be familiar with how these securities are structured. *Mortgage-Backed Securities* is a timely guide to the investment characteristics, creation, and analysis of residential real estate-backed securities. Each chapter contains cutting-edge information for investors, traders, and other professionals involved in this market, including discussions of structuring mortgage products—such as agency CMOs and new types of mortgages—and an in-depth explanation of the concept of option-adjusted spreads and other analytical concepts used to assess relative value.

Investment Banking, UNIVERSITY EDITION is a highly accessible and authoritative book written by investment bankers that explains how to perform the valuation work at the core of the financial world. This body of work builds on Rosenbaum and Pearl's combined 30+ years of experience on a multitude of transactions, as well as input received from numerous investment bankers, investment professionals at private equity firms and hedge funds, attorneys, corporate executives, peer authors, and university professors. This book fills a noticeable gap in contemporary financial literature, which tends to focus on theory rather than practical application. It focuses on the primary valuation methodologies currently used on Wall Street—comparable companies, precedent transactions, DCF, and LBO analysis—as well as M&A analysis. The ability to perform these methodologies is especially critical for those students aspiring to gain full-time positions at investment banks, private equity firms, or hedge funds. This is the book Rosenbaum and Pearl wish had existed when we were trying to break into Wall Street. Written to reflect today's dynamic market conditions, *Investment Banking, UNIVERSITY EDITION* skillfully: Introduces students to the primary valuation methodologies currently used on Wall Street Uses a step-by-step how-to approach for each methodology and builds a chronological knowledge base Defines key terms, financial concepts, and processes throughout Provides a comprehensive overview of the fundamentals of LBOs and an organized M&A sale process Presents new coverage of M&A buy-side analytical tools—which includes both qualitative aspects, such as buyer motivations and strategies, along with technical financial and valuation assessment tools Includes a comprehensive merger consequences analysis, including accretion/(dilution) and balance sheet effects Contains challenging end-of-chapter questions to reinforce concepts covered A perfect guide for those seeking to learn the fundamentals of valuation, M&A, and corporate finance used in investment banking and professional investing, this *UNIVERSITY EDITION*—which includes an instructor's companion site—is an essential asset. It provides students with an invaluable education as well as a much-needed edge for gaining entry to the ultra-competitive world of professional finance.

Investment Banking Praise for *Investment Banking, UNIVERSITY EDITION* “This book will surely become an indispensable guide to the art of buyout and M&A valuation, for the experienced investment practitioner as well as for the non-professional seeking to learn the mysteries of valuation.” —David M. Rubenstein, Co-Founder and Co-Executive Chairman, The Carlyle Group Host, The David Rubenstein Show: Peer to Peer Conversations “The two Joshes present corporate finance in a broad, yet detailed framework for understanding valuation, balance sheets, and business combinations. As such, their book is an essential resource for understanding complex businesses and capital structures whether you are on the buy-side or sell-side.” —Mitchell R. Julis, Co-Chairman and Co-CEO, Canyon Partners, LLC “*Investment Banking* provides a highly practical and relevant guide to the valuation analysis at the core of investment banking, private equity, and corporate finance. Mastery of these essential skills is

fundamental for any role in transaction-related finance. This book will become a fixture on every finance professional's bookshelf." —Thomas H. Lee, President, Lee Equity Partners, LLC Founder, Thomas H. Lee Capital Management, LLC "As a pioneer in public equities, Nasdaq is excited to be partnering with Rosenbaum and Pearl on Investment Banking as they break new ground on content related to IPOs, direct listings, and SPACs. We recommend the book for any shareholder and senior executive looking to take a company public, as well as their bankers and lawyers." —Adena Friedman, President and CEO, Nasdaq "Investment Banking requires a skill set that combines both art and science. While numerous textbooks provide students with the core principles of financial economics, the rich institutional considerations that are essential on Wall Street are not well documented. This book represents an important step in filling this gap." —Josh Lerner, Jacob H. Schiff Professor of Investment Banking, Harvard Business School Co-author, *Venture Capital and Private Equity: A Casebook* "Valuation is the key to any transaction. Investment Banking provides specific step-by-step valuation procedures for LBO and M&A transactions, with lots of diagrams and numerical examples." —Roger G. Ibbotson, Professor in the Practice of Finance, Yale School of Management Chairman and CIO, Zebra Capital Management, LLC Founder, Ibbotson Associates "Investment Banking provides fresh insight and perspective to valuation analysis, the basis for every great trade and winning deal on Wall Street. The book is written from the perspective of practitioners, setting it apart from other texts." —Gregory Zuckerman, Special Writer, *The Wall Street Journal* Author, *The Greatest Trade Ever*, *The Frackers*, and *The Man Who Solved the Market* Also available from the authors: *Investment Banking WORKBOOK* *Investment Banking FOCUS NOTES* *Investment Banking ONLINE COURSE* www.efficientlearning.com/investment-banking

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Comprehensive coverage of all major structured finance transactions *Structured Finance* is a comprehensive introduction to non-recourse financing techniques and asset-based lending. It provides a detailed overview of leveraged buyouts, project finance, asset finance and securitisation. Through thirteen case studies and more than 500 examples of companies, the book offers an in-depth analysis of the topic. It also provides a historical perspective of these structures, revealing how and why they were initially created. Instruments within each type of transaction are examined in detail, including Credit Default Swaps and Credit Linked Notes. A presentation of the Basel Accords offers the necessary background to understand the regulatory context in which these financings operate. With this book, readers will be able to: Delve into the main structured finance techniques to understand their components, mechanisms and how they compare Understand how structured finance came to be, and why it continues to be successful in the modern markets Learn the characteristics of financial instruments found in various structured transactions Explore the global context of structured finance, including the regulatory framework under which it operates *Structured Finance* provides foundational knowledge and global perspective to facilitate a comprehensive understanding of this critical aspect of modern finance. It is a must-read for undergraduate and MBA students and finance professionals alike.

The definitive guide for navigating today's credit agreements Today's syndicated loan market and underlying credit agreements are far more complex than ever. Since the global financial crisis, the art of corporate loan syndications, loan trading, and investing in this asset class have changed dramatically. Lenders are more diverse, borrowers more demanding, and regulations more stringent. Consequently, the credit agreement has evolved, incorporating many new provisions and a host of revisions to existing ones. The LSTA's *Complete Credit Agreement Guide* brings you up to speed on today's credit agreements and helps you navigate these complex instruments. This comprehensive guide has been fully updated to address seven years of major change—which has all but transformed the loan market as we knew it. It provides everything you need to address these new developments, including what to look for in large sponsor-driven deals, the rise of "covenant lite" agreements for corporate borrowers seeking fewer covenant restrictions, Yankee Loans, other products resulting from globalization, and other product developments driven by the diversification of the investor class. You'll benefit from the authors' in-depth coverage of all the nuances of today's credit agreements, as well as their tips on how to protect your loan, manage defaults, and navigate cross-border deals. This reliable guide covers: o Commitments, Loans, and Letters of Credit o Interest and Fees o Amortization and Maturity o Conditions Precedent o Representations o Covenants o Guarantees and Security o Defaults and Enforcement o Interlender, Voting, and Agency issues o Defaulting Lenders o Assignments, Participations, and Disqualified Lender Lists Borrower Rights o Regulatory Developments Structuring and managing credit agreements has always been a difficult process – but now it's more complicated than ever. Whether you work for a company that borrows money in the syndicated loan market or for a bank, a hedge fund, pension fund, insurance company, or other financial institution, the LSTA's *Complete Credit Agreement Guide* puts you ahead of the curve of today's credit landscape.

Diversification provides a well-known way of getting something close to a free lunch: by spreading money across different kinds of investments, investors can earn the same return with lower risk (or a much higher return for the same amount of risk). This strategy, introduced nearly fifty years ago, led to such strategies as index funds. What if we were all missing out on another free lunch that's right under our noses? In *Lifecycle Investing*, Barry Nalebuff and Ian Ayres - two of the most innovative thinkers in business, law, and economics - have developed tools that will allow nearly any investor to diversify their portfolios over time. By using leveraging when young - a controversial idea that sparked hate mail when the authors first floated it in the pages of *Forbes* - investors of all stripes, from those just starting to plan to those getting ready to retire, can substantially reduce overall risk while improving their returns. In *Lifecycle Investing*, readers will learn.

Exchange-traded funds (ETFs) have become in their 25-year history one of the fastest growing segments of the investment management business. These funds provide liquid access to virtually every financial market and allow large and small investors to build institutional-caliber portfolios. Yet, their management fees are significantly lower than those typical of mutual funds. High levels of transparency in ETFs for holdings and investment strategy help investors evaluate an ETF's potential returns and risks. This book covers the evolution of ETFs as products and in their uses in investment strategies. It details how ETFs work, their unique investment and trading features, their regulatory structure, how they are used in tactical and strategic portfolio management in a broad range of asset classes, and how to evaluate them individually.

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The past twenty years have seen an extraordinary growth in the use of quantitative methods in financial markets. Finance professionals now routinely use sophisticated statistical techniques in portfolio management, proprietary trading, risk management, financial consulting, and securities regulation. This graduate-level textbook is intended for PhD students, advanced MBA students, and industry professionals interested in the econometrics of financial modeling. The book covers the entire spectrum of empirical finance, including: the predictability of asset returns, tests of the Random Walk Hypothesis, the microstructure of securities markets, event analysis, the Capital Asset Pricing Model and the Arbitrage Pricing Theory, the term structure of interest rates, dynamic models of economic equilibrium, and nonlinear financial models such as ARCH, neural networks, statistical fractals, and chaos theory. Each chapter develops statistical techniques within the context of a particular financial application. This exciting new text contains a unique and accessible combination of theory and practice, bringing state-of-the-art statistical techniques to the forefront of financial applications. Each chapter also includes a discussion of recent empirical evidence, for example, the rejection of the Random Walk Hypothesis, as well as problems designed to help readers incorporate what they have read into their own applications. Risk management is one of the biggest issues facing the financial markets today. This volume outlines the major issues for risk management and focuses on operational risk as a key activity in managing risk on an enterprise-wide basis.

One-time guide, *Leverage Finance for Today's High-Yielding Corporate Debt Markets* is a comprehensive guide to those tools and markets that finance a lot of corporate America. Presented in five volumes, this experienced writer team has included topics such as fundamentals of bonds and loans, more advanced topics such as evaluation of CD, default correlation between CLO, and hedging strategies in corporate capital structures. The additional topics covered include basic corporate credits, relative value analysis, and various trading strategies used by investors, such as reducing credit risk with the equity derivatives of a different company. Stephen Antacac, Douglas Lucas and Frank Fabio presented readers with real-market examples of how investors can identify investment opportunities and through trading strategies can express their views on the market or specific companies and debt, Investigate various underlying assets including corporate bonds. and many more. They also give readers an overview of synthetic and structured products like CDS, LCDs, CDX, LCDx and CLOs. There is information about leveraged finance that you need to succeed in this developed financial sector.

Extensively revised to reflect the dramatic shifts and consolidation of the financial markets, the seventh edition of this highly regarded book provides a clear and incisive guide to a complex world that even those who work in it often find hard to understand. With chapters on the markets that deal with money, foreign exchange, equities, bonds, commodities, financial futures, options and other derivatives, it looks at why these markets exist, how they work and who trades in them, and it gives a run-down of the factors that affect prices and rates. Business history is littered with disasters that occurred because people involved their firms with financial instruments they didn't properly understand. If they had had this book they might have avoided their mistakes. For anyone wishing to understand financial markets, there is no better guide.

The essential resource for navigating the growing direct loan market *Private Debt: Opportunities in Corporate Direct Lending* provides investors with a single, comprehensive resource for understanding this asset class amidst an environment of tremendous growth. Traditionally a niche asset class pre-crisis, corporate direct lending has become an increasingly important allocation for institutional investors—assets managed by Business Development Company structures, which represent 25% of the asset class, have experienced over 600% growth since 2008 to become a \$91 billion market. Middle market direct lending has traditionally been relegated to commercial banks, but onerous Dodd-Frank regulation has opened the opportunity for private asset managers to replace banks as corporate lenders; as direct loans have thus far escaped the low rates that decimate yield, this asset class has become an increasingly attractive option for institutional and retail investors. This book dissects direct loans as a class, providing the critical background information needed in order to work effectively with these assets. Understand direct lending as an asset class, and the different types of loans available Examine the opportunities, potential risks, and historical yield Delve into various loan investment vehicles, including the Business Development Company structure Learn how to structure a direct loan portfolio, and where it fits within your total portfolio The rapid rise of direct lending left a knowledge gap surrounding these nontraditional assets, leaving many investors ill-equipped to take full advantage of ever-increasing growth. This book provides a uniquely comprehensive guide to corporate direct lending, acting as both crash course and desk reference to facilitate smart investment decision making.

The high-yield debt market (junk bonds) is a major sector of the financial industry, with more than \$600 billion traded annually, and interest in the market is on the rise Features the insights of Marty Fridson (Fridson Vision), Sam DeRosa (CSFB High-Yield), Peter Tufano (Harvard University), and Darrell Duffie (Stanford University), among others Includes models for analyzing probabilities of default and recovery Hedge funds are collective investment vehicles, often organized as private partnerships and resident offshore for tax and regulatory purposes. Their legal status places few restrictions on their portfolios and transactions, leaving their managers free to use short sales, derivative securities, and leverage to raise returns and cushion risk. This paper considers the role of hedge funds in financial market dynamics, with particular reference to the Asian crisis.

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A comprehensive guide to making better capital structure and corporate financing decisions in today's dynamic business environment Given the dramatic changes that have recently occurred in the economy, the topic of capital structure and corporate financing decisions is critically important. The fact is that firms need to constantly revisit their portfolio of debt, equity, and hybrid securities to finance assets, operations, and future growth. Capital Structure and Corporate Financing Decisions provides an in-depth examination of critical capital structure topics, including discussions of basic capital structure components, key theories and practices, and practical application in an increasingly complex corporate world. Throughout, the book emphasizes how a sound capital structure simultaneously minimizes the firm's cost of capital and maximizes the value to shareholders. Offers a strategic focus that allows you to understand how financing decisions relates to a firm's overall corporate policy Consists of contributed chapters from both academics and experienced professionals, offering a variety of perspectives and a rich interplay of ideas Contains information from survey research describing actual financial practices of firms This valuable resource takes a practical approach to capital structure by discussing why various theories make sense and how firms use them to solve problems and create wealth. In the wake of the recent financial crisis, the insights found here are essential to excelling in today's volatile business environment.

Many questions have been raised about America's status in the increasingly interconnected global economy. Yet key facts--such as the amount of foreign assets abroad owned by U.S. citizens--are not known. The crucial data needed to assess the U.S. position are unavailable. This volume explores significant shortcomings in U.S. data on international capital transactions and their implications for policymakers. The volume offers clearcut recommendations for U.S. agencies to bring data collection and analyses of the global economy into the twenty-first century. The volume explores How factors emerging since the early 1980s have shaped world financial markets and revealed shortcomings in data collection and analysis. How the existing U.S. data system works and where it fails how measurements of international financial transactions are recorded; and how swaps, options, and futures present special reporting problems. How alternative methods, such as collecting data, from sources such as global custodians and international clearinghouses, might improve coverage and accuracy.

With the right broker, and just a few hundred dollars or pounds, anyone can become a leveraged trader. The products and tools needed are accessible to all: FX, a margin account, CFDs, spread-bets and futures. But this level playing field comes with great risks. Trading with leverage is inherently dangerous. With leverage, losses and costs – the two great killers for traders – are magnified. This does not mean leverage must be avoided altogether, but it does mean that it needs to be used safely. In Leveraged Trading, Robert Carver shows you how to do exactly that, by using a trading system. A trading system can be employed to tackle those twin dangers of serious losses and high costs. The trading systems introduced in this book are simple and carefully designed to use the correct amount of leverage and trade at a suitable frequency. Robert shows how to trade a simple Starter System on its own, on a single instrument and with a single rule for opening positions. He then moves on to show how the Starter System can be adapted, as you gain experience and confidence. The system can be diversified into multiple instruments and new trading rules can be added. For those who wish to go further still, advice on making more complex improvements is included: how to develop your own trading systems, and how to combine a system with your own human judgement, using an approach Robert calls Semi-Automatic Trading. For those trading with leverage, looking for a way to take a controlled approach and manage risk, a properly designed trading system is the answer. Pick up Leveraged Trading and learn how.

This report details the proposed reforms by the US Dept of Treasury to meet the following five key objectives: (1) Promote robust supervision and regulation of financial firms, (2) Establish comprehensive supervision of financial markets, (3) Protect consumers and investors from financial abuse, (4) Provide the government with the tools it needs to manage financial crises (5) Raise international regulatory standards and improve international cooperation.

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A comprehensive look at the world of leveraged buyouts The private equity industry has grown dramatically over the past twenty years. Such investing requires a strong technical know-how in order to turn private investments into successful enterprises. That is why Paul Pignataro has created Leveraged Buyouts + Website: A Practical Guide to Investment Banking and Private Equity. Engaging and informative, this book skillfully shows how to identify a private company, takes you through the analysis behind bringing such an investment to profitability—and further create high returns for the private equity funds. It includes an informative leveraged buyout overview, touching on everything from LBO modeling, accounting, and value creation theory to leveraged buyout concepts and mechanics. Provides an in-depth analysis of how to identify a private company, bring such an investment to profitability, and create high returns for the private equity funds Includes an informative LBO model and case study as well as private company valuation Written by Paul Pignataro, founder and CEO of the New York School of Finance If you're looking for the best way to hone your skills in this field, look no further than this book.

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An investor's guide to understanding and using financial instruments *The Handbook of Financial Instruments* provides comprehensive coverage of a broad range of financial instruments, including equities, bonds (asset-backed and mortgage-backed securities), derivatives (equity and fixed income), insurance investment products, mutual funds, alternative investments (hedge funds and private equity), and exchange traded funds. *The Handbook of Financial Instruments* explores the basic features of each instrument introduced, explains their risk characteristics, and examines the markets in which they trade. Written by experts in their respective fields, this book arms individual investors and institutional investors alike with the knowledge to choose and effectively use any financial instrument available in the market today. John Wiley & Sons, Inc. is proud to be the publisher of the esteemed Frank J. Fabozzi Series. Comprising nearly 100 titles—which include numerous bestsellers—The Frank J. Fabozzi Series is a key resource for finance professionals and academics, strategists and students, and investors. The series is overseen by its eponymous editor, whose expert instruction and presentation of new ideas have been at the forefront of financial publishing for over twenty years. His successful career has provided him with the knowledge, insight, and advice that has led to this comprehensive series. Frank J. Fabozzi, PhD, CFA, CPA, is Editor of the *Journal of Portfolio Management*, which is read by thousands of institutional investors, as well as editor or author of over 100 books on finance for the professional and academic markets. Currently, Dr. Fabozzi is an adjunct Professor of Finance at Yale University's School of Management and on the board of directors of the Guardian Life family of funds and the Black Rock complex of funds.

This comprehensive contributed handbook on the high-yield and distressed debt market gives institutional investors a complete overview of one of the most volatile, risky, yet potentially lucrative arenas in the financial industry. Editors Maxwell and Shenkman combine their own expertise with a host of professionals whose perspectives are featured throughout the text. **About the Book** The high-yield debt market (a.k.a. junk bonds) is a major sector of the financial industry, with more than \$600 billion traded annually. Institutional investors, hedge fund operators, corporate financiers, and other professional money managers and traders use this market extensively due to its high returns (57.5% globally in 2009, according to a Bank of America Merrill Lynch index) in a relatively low interest rate environment. But with high return also comes high risk, which means that a complete and detailed understanding of this market is vital to successfully trade it. *Leveraged Financial Markets* is the perfect follow up to Maxwell's first book, *High-Yield Bonds*, co-authored with Theodore Barnhill. This comprehensive contributed handbook updates readers on changes in the high-yield bond market and adds in-depth coverage of several debt vehicles being leveraged in this market today, specifically collateralized debt obligation (CDOs), credit derivative swaps (CDSs), collateralized loan obligations (CLOs), and leveraged loans. *Leveraged Financial Markets* provides comprehensive discussions of: The globalization of the high-yield market; The risk versus return (Sharpe ratios) for high-yield debt; The issuers and investors in high-yield debt; Analytical models of distress probabilities and losses in default; Valuation of individual high-yield issuances; Building and monitoring a portfolio of high-yield bonds, and; Unique attributes of distressed debt. The authors are highly respected academics and lecture internationally on a regular basis. **High-yield and distressed debt is traded globally. Key Selling Features** There is a great deal of interest at the institutional level in distressed debt finance and investing. Professionals will gain much needed perspective and strategies as they enter this volatile market. Delivers the editors' expert advice, as well as perspectives from a host of experienced professionals on high-yield bonds, credit derivatives, CDOs, and other forms of distressed debt. Features the insights of, among others, Marty Fridson of Fridson Vision, Sam DeRosa of CSFB High-Yield, Peter Tufano of Harvard University, and Darrell Duffie of Stanford University. Includes models for analyzing probabilities of default and recovery **Market / Audience** Institutional investors, corporate financial officers, fund managers, money managers, investment bankers. **Author Profiles** William Maxwell (Dallas, TX) is a Professor of Finance at the Cox School of Business at Southern Methodist University. He has held professorships at the University of Arizona, Texas Tech, and Georgetown. He has written numerous articles for academic journals. He has consulted on security valuation and M&A. He was the co-author of *High-Yield Bonds*. Mark Shenkman (New York, NY) is President and Chief Investment Officer of Shenkman Capital Management, one of the world's largest high-yield money management firms. He has held executive-level positions focusing on the fixed income market at First Investors Asset Management, Lehman Brothers, and Fidelity. He is co-author of *High-Yield Bonds*. Aswath Damodaran, distinguished author, Professor of Finance, and David Margolis, Teaching Fellow at the NYU Stern School of Business, have delivered the newest edition of *Applied Corporate Finance*. This readable text provides the practical advice students and practitioners need rather than a sole concentration on debate theory, assumptions, or models. Like no other text of its kind, *Applied Corporate Finance*, 4th Edition applies corporate finance to real companies. It now contains six real-world core companies to study and follow. Business decisions are classified for students into three groups: investment, financing, and dividend decisions.

This book, now in its second edition, provides an in-depth overview of all segments of the structured finance business, with particular reference to market trends, deal characteristics and deal structuring. The goal is to assist readers in gaining a clear understanding of the common features of structured finance transactions. The process of deal structuring for each type of transaction is carefully analyzed, with extensively updated chapters on asset securitization, project finance, structured leasing transactions and leveraged acquisitions. In the new edition, particular attention is paid to novel areas of intervention, such as public-private partnerships and non-performing loans in the resolution of bank restructuring. Although the subject of much criticism, structured finance, when used properly, offers an effective solution to the credit crunch that many European countries are suffering and is also a way to revive a single capital market for debt instruments. Readers will find this book to be an illuminating guide to the business and to the best market practices in organizing transactions. It will be of value for BSc and MSc finance students, professionals and consultants alike.

John J. Murphy has updated his landmark bestseller *Technical Analysis of the Futures Markets*, to include all of the financial markets. This outstanding reference has already taught thousands of traders the concepts of technical analysis and their application in the futures and stock markets. Covering the latest developments in computer technology, technical tools, and indicators, the second edition features new material on candlestick charting, intermarket relationships, stocks and stock rotation, plus state-of-the-art examples and figures. From how to read charts to understanding indicators and the crucial role technical analysis plays in investing, readers gain a thorough and accessible overview of the field of technical analysis, with a special emphasis on futures markets. Revised and expanded for the demands of today's financial world, this book is essential reading for anyone interested in tracking and analyzing market behavior.

Public companies acquire most of their outside capital from debt financing and, more specifically, leveraged finance--an asset class that falls somewhere between traditional fixed income and stocks. While this type of debt financing carries significant risk to both investors and companies, the potential returns make leveraged finance a cornerstone of the modern financial markets. *Leveraged Financial Markets* is a gathering of the most astute and informed minds in the business. The powerhouse editorial team of William F. Maxwell and Mark R. Shenkman have handselected contributions from the top practitioners and thinkers working in leveraged finance today. The result is an authoritative guidebook that provides you with what you need to navigate the highyield market in the integrated global economy. Packed with a wealth of analytical models illustrating the realities of distress probabilities and losses in default, *Leveraged Financial Markets* gives you all the insight and strategies you need to: Use the Sharpe ratio to measure the return versus risk for high-yield debt Develop and oversee a portfolio of high-yield bonds Value individual high-yield issuances It also updates you on changes in the high-yield bond market and features in-depth coverage of numerous debt vehicles leveraged in the market today, including collateralized debt obligations (CDOs), credit derivative swaps (CDSs), collateralized loan obligations (CLOs), and leveraged loans. *Leveraged Financial Markets* is your blueprint to becoming a virtuoso of this resilient and popular asset class.

A timely guide to today's high-yield corporate debt markets *Leveraged Finance* is a comprehensive guide to the instruments and markets that finance much of corporate America. Presented in five sections, this experienced author team covers topics ranging from the basics of bonds and loans to more advanced topics such as valuing CDs, default correlations among CLOs, and hedging strategies across corporate capital structures. Additional topics covered include basic corporate credit, relative value analysis, and various trading strategies used by investors, such as hedging credit risk with the equity derivatives of a different company. Stephen Antczak, Douglas Lucas, and Frank Fabozzi present readers with real-market examples of how investors can identify investment opportunities and how to express their views on the market or specific companies through trading strategies, and examine various underlying assets including loans, corporate bonds, and much more. They also offer readers an overview of synthetic and structured products such as CDS, LCDS, CDX, LCDX, and CLOs. *Leveraged Finance* has the information you need to succeed in this evolving financial arena.

Examine the high yield market for a clear understanding of this evolving asset class *High Yield Debt* is the one-stop resource for wealth advisors seeking an in-depth understanding of this misunderstood asset class. The high yield market provides a diverse opportunity set, including fixed and floating rate debt, high and low quality debt issues and both short- and long-term duration; but many fail to understand that not all high yield exposure is the same, and that different market segments and strategies work best at different points in the economic cycle. This guide addresses the confusion surrounding high yield debt. You'll find the information you need to decide whether or not to buy in to a high yield fund, and how to evaluate the opportunities and risks without getting lost in the jargon. The U.S. corporate high yield market is worth \$2.4 trillion—more than the stock markets of most developed countries. Market growth has increased the number of funds with high yield exposure, as well as the types of debt products available for investment. This book breaks it down into concrete terms, providing the answers advisors need to effectively evaluate the opportunities on offer. Understand the high yield asset class Learn the debt structures, performance and defaults Evaluate risk and investment opportunities Penetrate the jargon to make sense of high yield investment Over 300 publicly traded funds provide exposure to U.S. high yield, but despite its size and ubiquity, understanding of the asset class as a whole remains somewhat of a rarity—even among participants. A lack of transparency is partially to blame, but the market's evolution over the past fifteen years is the larger issue. *High Yield Debt* explains the modern high yield market in real terms, providing a much-needed resource for the savvy investor. "Rajay Bagaria has written the first book that captures a 360 degree view of the high yield debt market. Whether you are an investor, investment banker, corporate lawyer, CFO or layperson simply trying to gain insights into the fundamentals of high yield debt, this book translates financial and legal concepts, trends and structures of high yield bonds and leveraged loans into a simple, understandable format. Mr. Bagaria's book is a valuable resource for anyone involved in the new issue or secondary leveraged finance markets." —Frank J. Lopez, Co-Head Global Capital Markets, Proskauer "Bagaria does a great service for both high yield professionals and beginners by providing an accessible, well-written, insightful market primer." —Steven Miller, Managing Director, S&P Capital IQ, *Leveraged Commentary & Data* "High-Yield Debt - An Insider's Guide to the Marketplace is a comprehensive book that provides an in-depth understanding of the history, growth, basics and details of high-debt and the high-yield market. The author gives insights that only an experienced professional can provide. The book will be invaluable to readers both starting out and knowledgeable about an important segment of corporate finance, dealing with concepts, structures and performance." —Arthur Kaufman, Retired Partner, Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP / Member of Adjunct Faculty, Columbia Law School

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