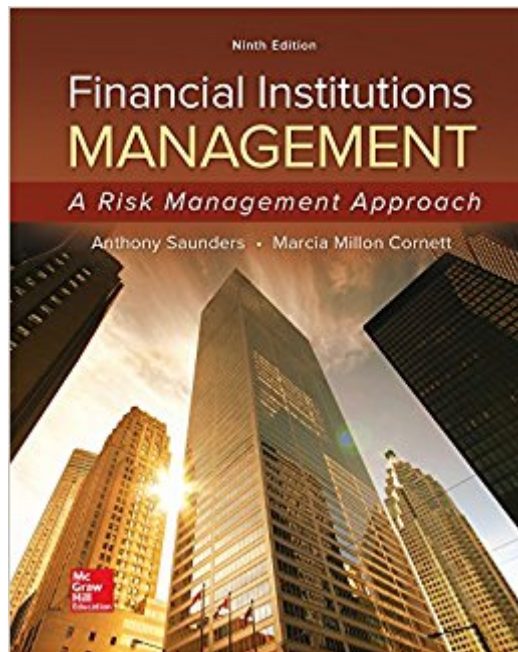




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Saunders and Cornett's *Financial Institutions Management: A Risk Management Approach* provides an innovative approach that focuses on managing return and risk in modern financial institutions. The central theme is that the risks faced by financial institutions managers and the methods and markets through which these risks are managed are becoming increasingly similar whether an institution is chartered as a commercial bank, a savings bank, an investment bank, or an insurance company. Although the traditional nature of each sector's product activity is analyzed, a greater emphasis is placed on new areas of activities such as asset securitization, off-balance-sheet banking, and international banking.

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several professional books, the most recent of which is *Credit Risk Measurement: New Approaches to Value at Risk and Other Paradigms*, John Wiley and Sons, New York, 1999. Marcia Millon Cornett Robert A. and Julia E. Dorn Professor of Finance at Bentley University. She received her B.S. degree in economics from Knox College in Galesburg, Illinois, and her M.B.A. and Ph.D. degrees in finance from Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana. Dr. Cornett has written and published several articles in the areas of bank performance, bank regulation, corporate finance, and investments. Articles authored by Dr. Cornett have appeared in such academic journals as the *Journal of Finance*; the *Journal of Money, Credit, and Banking*; the *Journal of Financial Economics*; *Financial Management*; and the *Journal of Banking and Finance*. She was recently ranked the 124th most published out of more than 17,600 authors and the number five female author in finance literature over the last 50 years. Along with Anthony Saunders, Dr. Cornett has recently completed work on the ninth edition of *Financial Institutions Management* (McGraw-Hill Education) and the sixth edition of *Financial Markets and Institutions* (McGraw-Hill Education). Professor Cornett serves as an associate editor for the *Journal of Banking and Finance*, the *Journal of Financial Services Research*, *Review of Financial Economics*, *Financial Review*, and *Multinational Finance Journal*. Dr. Cornett has served as a member of the board of directors, the executive committee, and the finance committee of the SIU Credit Union. Dr. Cornett has also taught at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, the University of Colorado, Boston College, and Southern Methodist University. She is a member of the Financial Management Association, the American Finance Association, and the Western Finance Association.

This is probably the best book in risk management available today. This is due to the combination of breadth and depth of the text. The author gently introduces the student to an important subject and explains with pains how to manage each and every kind of risk. The two chapters on Interest rate risk are absolutely fabulous. There is a sense of continuity because the concepts you learn in one chapter has applications in another. The problems at the end of the chapters are also challenging and will require an in-depth understanding of the subject. This book is the ultimate.

Great product!!!

It was good book, and the seller also good, but the problem they couldn't send any book out of the state. Overall is good.

The text covers everything you would expect from a book about risk management: credit risk, IR risk, derivatives, securitization, etc. In my opinion the authors have done a nice job of explaining various models/concepts/ideas in a clear and concise fashion. It's also noteworthy to mention that if you are using this book you're probably using it in a class. Heads up - the chapter problem solution keys provided by your professor from the publisher (the MSWord files the publisher distributes) contain a surprisingly large number of trivial errors here -- ie. incorrect algebra and other errors. The problems are otherwise helpful in terms of understanding the material nonetheless.

The book is very good and it starts describing the special nature of financial institutions and the industry. Then, in the second part you have complete chapters relating to every risk management: interest rate risk (maturity, repricing gaps and duration focuses, liquidity (e.g. maturity ladder), market risk (standardized Basel Committee and VaR approaches) credit risk (including Basel Committee standardized approach, default risk models like credit scoring), operating costs and technology risk, FX risk, sovereign risk. In the last part there is a good section which describes how to manage risks, including liability and liquidity management, deposit insurance, capital adequacy, geographic diversification, derivatives, the new credit risk management techniques and securitization. I had the chance to have Professor Saunders as a risk management teacher and I only say that as his classes, his book is great. It shows you the best introduction to risk management. It discusses about financial institutions (banks, insurance and securities). That book just helped me to see financial institutions under the risk focus. I really recommend this book to understand risk management.

There are a lot of ways to explain the banking business. Many books try to describe regulatory policies, laws, banking procedures, etcetera. This book doesn't. It tries to explain the business in a risk management point of view, regardless you are an incumbent in banking or assurance. All types of risk: market, credit, equity, operational, and so forth. The style is very easy, the concepts clear, and the maths according to a first global banking risk book. Easy to read and understand. Furthermore, it adds some all time-bank situations in order to put the theory into the ground. Nice touch!!

Reviews by Jimmy Izu (August 21, 2001) & Alberto Ponsa Talavera (April 5, 2009) are pretty much on target. I used this text to complete a finance elective requirement for the MBA. It explained the banking concepts well, I felt prepared for class and was able to correctly complete the course

assignments.

Using only a minimal amount of mathematics, Professor Saunders describes a very broad range of risks run by a Financial Institution. A particularly good description is given for interest rate risk management of a standard banking portfolio.

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