

UGBA 127 | 3 units | W 2-5 PM

CORPORATE FINANCIAL REPORTING

Do you need this class even if you don't plan on working on Wall Street? **YES!** This class empowers you not to just *read*, but to *interpret* and *act* on financial information, setting the stage for innovative strategies, stronger partnerships, and more effective leadership. No matter your career trajectory, the ability to decipher complex financial reports will set you apart as a leader in your future career. By the end of the class, you'll be able to answer questions like: What did Silicon Valley Bank do wrong, and were there clues about its bank run in the 10-K? What are the economic differences between SPAC and IPO firms, and how is this reflected in their financials? What are the rules surrounding insider trading in the US, and what can we learn from those disclosures? How do managerial incentives influence the numbers we see in financial statements?



Class Format

Class sessions are participatory with discussion and debate, as well as the opportunity to speak with guest speakers. Assignments include reading a case and answer questions prior to class weekly, one in-class assignment, and one group final presentation (in lieu of a final exam).

The Instructor



Dr. Tanya Paul has taught Corporate Financial Reporting for MBAs since 2022 and has received high TIES ratings both years for the course. This is the first year that Tanya will be teaching UGBA and the class will closely mirror the material taught to the MBAs.

Tanya did her undergraduate studies and PhD at The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania, and then served as the 2021-2022 Post-Doctoral Fellow at the Financial Accounting Standards Board. Today, her research examines the effects of financial reporting on capital markets and the effects of information disclosure in banks.

Email Tanya at tpaul@haas.berkeley.edu for any questions.