







Subject outline

Subject overview

Tier 1 Foreign Exchange introduces students to the concepts of foreign exchange as they apply to retail clients. Students will learn how to analyse and evaluate foreign exchange markets and will gain an understanding of managing risk and tax requirements when dealing with retail client portfolios. Spot transactions, debt securities, forward markets and currency options will also be covered.

Upon successful completion, students will meet the education requirements of ASIC Regulatory Guide 146 (RG 146) for providing general advice in foreign exchange to retail clients, subject to their Licensee approval and until otherwise announced by ASIC.

Learning outcomes

On successful completion of *Tier 1 Foreign Exchange — General Advice*, students should be able to:

- Outline the characteristics of foreign exchange markets and their associated risks.
- Analyse the exchange rate, the mechanics of an FX quotation and spot transactions.
- Apply the concept of forward transaction and how to calculate forward exchange rates.
- Explain how option buyers can obtain insurance against adverse movements in exchange rates, and retain the benefit if favorable rate changes occur.
- Demonstrate technical compliance with RG 146 in foreign exchange.
- Provide general retail financial advice in foreign exchange and meet all compliance obligations for the provision of that advice.

Topics

- Topic 1: Foreign exchange markets
- Topic 2: Spot transactions
- Topic 3: Foreign exchange forward markets
- Topic 4: Currency options
- Topic 5: Foreign exchange risk management and tax.

Units of competency

No units of competency are awarded for this subject.

Subject entry requirements

The prerequisite for this subject is *Tier 1 Generic Knowledge*.



Subject duration

Students have a total of 12 weeks to complete the learning and assessment requirements for *Tier 1 Foreign Exchange — General Advice*, from their initial enrolment date.

The subject does not include hard copy notes and is delivered online.

An additional four weeks (4) per subject is available if required to resit an exam.

Delivery mode

This subject is delivered online.

Kaplan Professional's online learning portal, KapLearn, enables the provision of innovative, interactive learning resources and support. KapLearn can be accessed anywhere, at any time, using a computer or mobile device that has internet access.

KapLearn is the access point for subject notes, supplementary learning material, practice activities and exam. KapLearn is also the access point for ongoing support. The 'Ask your tutor' forum provides technical support from subject matter experts.

Assessment tasks

The assessment task for this subject is listed below.

Subject	Topic	Assessment	Assessment Detail
Tier 1 Foreign Exchange — General Advice	Topics 1–5	1 Exam	Supervised, open book multiple choice examination, four (4) sits, competent in all questions.

Students may attempt the exam at any time if they believe they are adequately prepared. Students will receive personal reminder emails as they approach their assessment deadlines.

Fees

An updated schedule of fees is available at the Kaplan Professional website: <www.kaplanprofessional.edu.au>.

Student policies

Students who enrol in a Kaplan subject are bound by our published policies, including the policy that sets out our rules for assessment. Students can review these policies before they enrol by going to the Kaplan website: www.kaplanprofessional.edu.au. The policies also assist students when their study program does not go as planned and they need extra support.