

The Financial Independence



Lunch and Learn Seminar Series

Spring 2020-Online Via WebEx

With Prof. Murfin

All sessions run from 12:00pm to 1:15pm

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Monday, May 4– **An Introduction to Financial Independence /Budgets, Buffers, and Debt**

An introduction to financial independence and how can you begin pursuing it at any age. We'll take a look at the FIRE (Financial Independence Retire Early) movement growing in America and will discuss how avoiding debt, having a budget, maintaining an Emergency Fund, and accumulating "Walk-Away Money" can help put you in control of your life. We'll also learn how to track monthly expenses easily with online software.

Meeting link: <https://ctedu.webex.com/ctedu/j.php?MTID=meda7c8ad356135f50f21e0dfb5a35ff4>

Wednesday , May 6-**Wealth-Building in the 21st Century** A survey and explanation of the most common tools of wealth-building and asset accumulation, including stocks, mutual funds, index funds, bonds, CD-ladders, and real-estate investment trusts (REITs) .

Meeting link: <https://ctedu.webex.com/ctedu/j.php?MTID=mab98a6ce070f92321cdfeed6d4d00b>

Monday, May 11 **Taxes 101**

An overview of everything you were never taught about taxes: how tax brackets work, income tax vs. payroll tax, deductions vs. credits, W-2s vs. 1099s, standard deductions vs. itemized deductions, and more!

Meeting link: <https://ctedu.webex.com/ctedu/j.php?MTID=m1cdba267aa13340adc1d688424b5dcc7>

Wednesday, May 13 **401(k)s, IRAs, and 403(b)s, Oh My!**

A brief overview of the most common types of retirement accounts, what they are, and how they affect on your taxes.

Meeting link: <https://ctedu.webex.com/ctedu/j.php?MTID=mdbbc13cdd6acae8150f2ac90cb1abffa>

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