



Bachelor of Science

Finance

• CIP code 520801 • 120 credits

Program Description

The Bachelor of Science in Finance presents a comprehensive financial management curriculum that equips students with the skills necessary to work in the areas of corporate finance, investments, economics, financial management, financial services and financial planning. Our students learn directly from practicing professionals, many of whom are distinguished leaders in their field. The Cambridge College teaching model gives students the opportunity to learn financial management theory in addition to effective, practical financial management techniques. By combining research, theory and practice, graduates will be prepared with the skills that will enable them to manage both people and complex financial projects and operations.

Required courses provide a dynamic academic framework which spans disciplines including corporate finance and investment, general management, strategic data analysis, purchase and sales of assets, dynamics of market forces, and institutional financial functions in different kinds of organizations. Additionally students will develop the analytical skills to understand key principles relating to the investment process within domestic and international markets

Final Project — Students complete a culminating research project in management related to their own personal and professional interests. Students demonstrate their mastery of financial management content and methodology, and apply their academic experience to a learning project that interests and challenges them.

Program Outcomes

Successful graduates will have a demonstrated understanding of:

- Essential strategic financial planning, effective professional communication, human relations, teamwork, and negotiation.
- Theoretical and practical understanding of business processes and organizational systems.
- Practical business skills in accounting, economics and finance.
- Creating work environments that foster corporate social responsibility, sustainability, and long-term growth.
- The importance of diversity in today's global business environment, and develop skills to manage diverse organizations.
- The analysis of complex managerial and organizational situations, taking into account the larger context, strategy, policy, and ethics with specific applications in the financial arenas.
- Information systems, databases and Internet technology as finance management tools.

Careers and Further Study

Graduates of the finance degree program will be prepared for employment in a variety of finance-related capacities in corporate, for-profit, and non-profit organizations. Employment opportunities include but are not limited to financial analysis, investments, financial forecasting, and financial data analytics. Graduates will additionally possess a strong academic background to support graduate studies in business, finance, and management.

General Education 42 credits

LRN 175	Principles & Processes of Adult Learning	3
WRT 101	College Writing I	3
CTH 225	Foundations of Critical Thinking	3
MAT 101	College Math I	3
CMP 130	Introduction to Computer Applications	3
CMP 230	Information Literacy	3
WRT 102	College Writing II	3
MAT 102	College Math II	3

WRT 101-102 and MAT 101-102 may be waived if equivalent courses have been accepted in transfer. Credits will be replaced with open electives. WRT 201 required if both WRT 101-102 are waived; not required for students completing WRT 101-102 at Cambridge. WRT 090 and MAT 100 required if assessment indicates need.

Arts & Humanities	6
Natural & Physical Sciences	6
Social Sciences	6

Open Electives 36 credits

Choose electives and/or concentrations to support your academic interests and professional goals.

Finance Major 42 credits

BSM 200	Introduction to Business	3
BSM 204	Financial Accounting	3
BSM 225	Fundamentals of Investment Management	3
BSM 300	Economics for Managers	3
BSM 315	Diversity in the Workplace	3
BSM 356	International Finance	3
BSM 357	Small Business Finance	3
BSM 405	Corporate Finance and Investments	3
BSM 412	Money and Banking	3
BSM 441	Business Ethics	3
BSM 442	Financial Management	3
BSM 496	Financial Services Operations	3
MAT 201	Introduction to Statistics	3

Capstone

BSM 414	Strategic Management	3
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Degree completion: General education requirements may be satisfied by an associate's degree or 60 credits of prior courses that meet all general criteria for transfer; up to 90 credits may be accepted.