

ACCOUNTING, FINANCE & ECONOMICS

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION IN FINANCE

The study of finance equips students to analyze financial issues ranging from business finance to international finance and their relevance in the contemporary world. Capital structure and investment, personal and professional investing, asset valuation and management, risk hedging and management, and foreign exchange risk management are some traditional topics covered in the curriculum. The Bachelor of Science in Business Administration in Finance degree equips students to pursue finance-related career paths such as Financial Analysts, Cost/Credit Analysts, Bank Managers, Portfolio/Fund Managers, and Traders in Stocks, Bonds and Currencies.

The finance course of study contains a theoretical core supporting the finance, accounting, marketing, and management fields. It is designed to prepare graduates for management or analytical careers in business or government. In addition, the major provides a foundation for graduate study in a variety of fields. Faculty advisors work closely with students to assist them in planning their course work to achieve personal career objectives.

Students who complete the finance program will be able to:

- 1 .Understand economic concepts and relationships.
- 2 .Understand financial decision making at the individual, corporate, and public policy levels.
- 3 .Improve problem-solving skills through the application of economic and financial concepts.
- 4 .Evaluate economic and financial issues in a global context.

Curriculum

The matrix below is a sample plan for all coursework required for this program.

Freshman

Fall	Credits
ENGL 1013 Composition I ¹	3
FAH 1XXX Fine Arts and Humanities Courses ¹	3
USHG 1XXX U.S. History and Government ¹	3
MATH 2223 Quantitative Business Analysis	3
BUAD 1111 Introduction to Business	1
BUAD 2003 Business Information Systems	3
Total Hours	16

Spring	Credits
ENGL 1023 Composition II ¹	3
FAH 1XXX Fine Arts and Humanities Courses ¹	3
SCIL 1XXX Science with Laboratory ¹	4
MATH 2243 Calculus for Business and Economics	3
COMM 2173 Business and Professional Speaking or COMM 2003 Public Speaking	3
Total Hours	16

Sophomore

Fall	Credits
ACCT 2004 Accounting Principles I and ACCT 2000 Accounting Principles I Lab	4

Fall	Credits
ECON 2003 Principles of Macroeconomics	3
BDA 2003 Business Problem Solving	3
BLAW 2033 Legal Environment of Business	3
General Elective	2
Total Hours	15

Spring	Credits
SCIL 1XXX Science with Laboratory ¹	4
ACCT 2013 Accounting Principles II	3
ECON 2013 Principles of Microeconomics	3
STAT 2163 Introduction to Statistical Methods or PSY 2053 Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences/SOC 2053 Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences	3
ENGL 2053 Technical Writing	3
Total Hours	16

Junior

Fall	Credits
School of Business Elective (3000-4000 level) ⁴	3
FIN 3063 Business Finance	3
MGMT 3003 Principles of Management	3
Finance Major Elective ^{2,3}	3
Economics Elective (3000-4000)	3
Total Hours	15

Spring	Credits
ECON 3003 Money and Banking	3
ECON 3093 Econometrics	3
MKT 3043 Principles of Marketing	3
FIN 3043 Investments	3
MGMT 3103 Operations Management	3
Total Hours	15

Senior

Fall	Credits
MGMT 4013 Management Information Systems ⁵	3
FIN 3023 Financial Markets and Institutions	3
FIN 4023 Portfolio Management	3

Fall	Credits
Elective ⁵	3
Total Hours	12

Spring	Credits
MGMT 4083 Business Policy	3
FIN 4033 Financial Modeling	3
FIN 4093 Advanced Financial Management ⁵	3
Finance Major Elective ^{2,3}	3
Elective ⁵	3
Total Hours	15

¹See appropriate alternatives or substitutions in “General Education Requirements”.

²Only three hours of economic/finance internship will apply to this requirement.

³Finance major elective options: FIN 2013 Personal Finance, FIN 3033 Principles of Real Estate, FIN 4053 Internship I in Economics/Finance, FIN 4083 Financial Institution Management, ECON 4093 International Economics and Finance, ECON 3073 Intermediate Microeconomic Theory, ACCT 3003 Intermediate Accounting I, ACCT 3013 Intermediate Accounting II, ACCT 3043 Federal Taxes I or BDA 3053 Business Data Analysis

⁴Excludes HIM and AHS courses.

⁵Students may apply in their junior year for admission into the Finance Accelerated Bachelor's Plus MBA Degree; however, they must have completed a minimum of 90 credit hours towards the Bachelor degree and have earned a minimum GPA of 3.0 or higher in those undergraduate courses to be eligible. Once approved, the student will be conditionally admitted into the MBA program. The following graduate level courses can be used to replace four upper-division undergraduate courses as follows:

- FIN 6103 can replace FIN 4093 Advanced Financial Management
- BDA 6203 can replace MGMT 4013 Management Information Systems
- ECON 6103 can replace Finance Elective
- ACCT 6103 can replace Finance Elective