

# Finance

The Finance major is designed to train undergraduate students to understand and utilize the concepts of business finance currently active in today's corporate and investment communities. Examples of these are risk analysis, taxation, corporate and personal financial planning, investments, cost accounting, and financial analysis. The purpose of the program is to prepare the student to perform in either personal or corporate finance. Finance is also considered good preparation for graduate study in law or business.

### What Type of Work are Related to this Degree?

#### Who employs people with this degree?

- Businesses and corporations of all types
- Christian organizations
- Consulting firms
- Government agencies
- Insurance companies
- Non-profits Banks, credit unions, and other financial planning institutions
- Stock brokerage and security firms
- Real estate brokers or agencies
- Educational institutions

- Claims Adjuster
- Controller
- Credit Manager
- Financial Aid Officer
- Financial Analyst
- Financial Consultant
- Financial Planner
- Insurance Underwriter
- Internal Auditor
- Investment Banking
- Loan Officer
- Market Research Analyst
- Risk Analyst
- Property Assessor
- Purchasing Manager or Purchasing Agent
- Budget Analyst
- Stockbroker

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#### General Strategies for Success:

- Quantitative skills are extremely important. Take additional courses in math, statistics, and accounting.
- Many positions in finance require the ability to analyze and interpret data.
- Read the Wall Street Journal and other financial news magazines to stay abreast of current events and to learn more about the industry.
- Join student professional associations in the field of finance.
- Don't overlook the federal government as a potential employer.
- Develop strong computer skills, including spreadsheets, databases, and presentation software. In many business settings, multiple internships are a prerequisite for employment.
- Leadership is always seen as a valuable asset. Get involved in student leadership while in school.

#### Professional Associations

Certified Financial Planners Board of Standards  
Insurance Information Institute  
Financial Industry Regulatory Authority  
Financial Management Association  
Association for Financial Professionals  
Investment Management Consultants Association  
International Academy of Financial Management  
American Financial Services Organization  
National Foundation for Consumer Credit  
American Bankers Association

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