

# Finance

## Department of Finance, Insurance and Real Estate

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Finance is the study and practice of decision-making to acquire and manage real and financial assets for the purpose of creating and maintaining economic (market) value. The finance curriculum consists of two main areas of study—corporate finance and investments. Corporate finance examines how firms make investment and financing decisions. Investment decisions determine which assets a firm owns, and financing decisions determine how those assets are funded. Investments include how to value stocks, bonds, and other financial securities; the theory and practice of portfolio management; and the functioning of the securities markets. Elective courses may be taken to broaden one’s understanding of these two areas or to explore peripheral areas of finance.

### Required Courses for a BBA Major in Finance

*18 Credit Hours*

**Required:**

FIN 4365 and ACC 3305

**One from:**

FIN 4335, 4350, 4360

**An additional 9 hours from:**

FIN 3305\*, 3405\*, 4186, 4285, 4310, 4331, 4335, 4339, 4340, 4350, 4360, 4361, 4363, 4366, 4370, 4381, 4387, 4V98, GTX 3351

\*Students may only take one 3000-level FIN course towards the Finance elective requirement

**Course Sequencing:** To earn a major in Finance, a student must attain a minimum grade of “B-” as the first grade earned in FIN 3310. A Finance major may repeat a course in the major only one time and may not repeat more than two courses in the major. FIN 4365 should be taken as early as possible since some electives will build on this course. Students should ask elective professors about the benefits of completing other finance courses prior to taking a particular elective.

### Recommended Classes by Career Objective

Commercial and Corporate Banking	Corporate Finance	Investment Banking and Private Equity	Investment Portfolio Management
ACC 3305	FIN 4331 or 4361	FIN 4310 or 4363	FIN 4335
ECO 3305 or 3307	FIN 4335	FIN 4350	FIN 4366
FIN 4335 or 4366	FIN 4350	FIN 4360	FIN 4370
FIN 4360	FIN 4360	FIN 4370	FIN 4381 or 4186/4285
FIN 4370	ACC 3305	ACC 3305	ACC 3305
Consulting	Real Estate	Wealth Management	
FIN 4310 or 4363	FIN 3405	FIN 3405	
FIN 4335	FIN 4339	FIN 4340	
FIN 4350	FIN 4340	FIN 4370	
ECO 4319		MKT 3310	
ECO 4347		ECO 3307	
		ACC 3304	