

FINANCE

Based on 2022-23 Undergraduate Catalog

FINANCE AS AN UNDERGRADUATE MAJOR

Finance is involved with the acquisition, investment and management of the cash resources of business entities, governmental agencies and individuals. Its practitioners must have a thorough understanding of the financial markets where money is raised, know how to analyze investment opportunities, and because the objective of any financial decision is to maximize value, understand how investors determine value. Finance majors will learn the theory and analytical tools associated with finance related decision-making in organizations.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS FOR A BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN FINANCE

To fulfill the requirements for the major in finance, students must be admitted to major standing, complete the core program, and complete a minimum of 24 credits, as specified below, with a grade of C or better in each major course.

REQUIRED IN THE PRE-CORE

SBC 1990 ACHIEVE I
SBC 2990 ACHIEVE II

REQUIRED IN THE CORE

FIN 3220 Managerial Finance I

REQUIRED MAJOR COURSES

ACC 3010 Financial Reporting & Analysis OR ACC 4001 Intermediate Financial Accounting AND ACC 4002 Financial Intermediate Accounting II
FIN 3600 Investment Analysis
FIN 3680 Financial Modeling
FIN 3720 Managerial Finance II
FIN 3990 ACHIEVE III Finance

ELECTIVES— CHOOSE THREE*

(3 credits each)

FIN 4180 Financial Markets and Institutions
FIN 4190 International Financial Management
FIN 4200 Real Estate Investment Analysis
FIN 4250 Financial Derivatives
FIN 4300 Mergers & Acquisitions & Corporate Restructuring
FIN 4360 Management Investment Funds
FIN 4600 Investment Portfolio Management
FIN 4900 Special Topics in Finance

**ACC 4003 Managerial and Cost Accounting II or ACC 4150 Federal Income Taxation may be substituted for one elective.*

WEALTH MANAGEMENT SPECIALIZATION

REQUIRED IN THE CORE

FIN 3220 Managerial Finance I

REQUIRED MAJOR COURSES

ACC 3010, ACC 4150, FIN 3600, FIN 3680, FIN 3720, in lieu of ACC 3010, students may substitute ACC 4001 and ACC 4002

ELECTIVES— CHOOSE ONE

FIN 4180, FIN 4250, FIN 4360, FIN 4600, FIN 4900

REQUIRED CAPSTONE COURSE

FIN 4779 Estate, Retirement and Education Planning

SKILLS AND ABILITIES

- Valuation and credit analysis
- Corporate financial management
- Financial institution management
- Investment analysis
- Portfolio management
- International financial analysis

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

A major in finance will help you develop the essential skills for careers in financial reporting, analysis, and investment portfolio management for profit or not-for-profit organizations.

For more information on careers please visit the Bureau of Labor Statistics at bls.gov/ooh/ or O*Net at onetonline.org.

CAREER CHOICES

Corporate Finance

- Cost Analyst
- Mergers/ Acquisition Specialist
- Cash Manager
- Risk Manager

Investments

- Registered Representative
- Security Analyst
- Financial Planner
- Broker
- Portfolio Manager
- Pension Fund Manager

Banking

- Credit Analyst
- Branch Manager
- Bank Examiner
- Loan Officer
- Trust Officer

Organizations that commonly employ finance majors

- American Axle & Manufacturing
- Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan
- Continental Automotive
- Faurecia
- Ford Motor Company
- Prudential Financial
- Bank of America
- Borg Warner
- Delphi
- Stellantis
- Merrill Lynch
- Plante Moran

JOB OPENINGS

Access thousands of job and internship postings at Handshake (oakland.edu/careerservices/handshake). Handshake also provides the latest news from OU Career Services, exclusively for OU students and alumni.

FINANCE ORGANIZATIONS AT OU

BAP (Beta Alpha Psi, Professional Financial Information Fraternity)
FMA (Financial Management Association)
SAIFE (Society for Applied Investing and Financial Education)

For more information, visit: oakland.edu/business/orgs.

CAREER OUTLOOK

Wage Range | \$33,650 - \$159,560
Median Annual Wage | \$63,960 - \$71,340
National Growth | 6 - 18% from 2020 to 2030
Data from the National Bureau of Labor and Statistics

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

To help choose your area of interest, plan your future career goals and monitor your progress, visit the Undergraduate Advising and Career Services Offices in OU's School of Business Administration.

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