

Finance

at Benedictine University

Why study finance at Benedictine?

When you choose to become a Finance major at Benedictine University, you will receive thorough exposure to finance-related principles and how they are applied to the national economy and the business world. You will also be prepared to continue graduate studies.

Benedictine University offers you:

- Opportunities to gain practical experience while earning a salary and collecting college credit through an internship
- A superb location in Chicago's western suburbs where you will be near the high-tech industries, many with national headquarters nearby
- Potential membership in the Business Club, which organizes field trips, guest speakers and social events around your business interests
- An opportunity to study topics in specific finance-related areas such as investments, international finance, corporate finance and banking which will help you develop additional marketable skills
- The close contact with our professional faculty, possible because of our low student-to-faculty ratio
- The broad-based education that will help you get you first professional job and become an asset in earning future promotions
- An opportunity to participate in an investment club that manages more than \$100,000 from the University's endowment fund

What careers are available with a Finance degree?

Our program has been designed to provide you the necessary theoretical and practical background for careers in the following finance-related fields:

- Corporate finance
- Insurance
- Investments
- Credit management
- Commercial banking
- Real estate
- Financial planning
- Treasury management
- Investment banking
- Capital budgeting
- Public finance
- Export financing

Internship M.B.A. and M.S.A. 4+1 Programs

Earn a graduate degree in approximately one year after earning your undergraduate degree with the Internship Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.) or Master of Science in Accountancy (M.S.A.) programs. These programs were developed specifically for students who wish to earn an M.B.A. or M.S.A. degree immediately following an undergraduate degree. The Internship M.B.A. program provides a faculty advisor who guides students in locating internships. Acceptance into either program is determined individually for each student based on transcribed grades. Course waivers or substitutions are not guaranteed. Typically, two years of work experience is required for the Internship M.B.A., with consideration of part-time employment given.

Recommended Program

Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance

FRESHMAN

Writing Colloquium	3
Mathematics (MATH S105 or S110)	3
Fine Arts/Music core elective	3
Accounting I	3
Physical/Life Science core elective	3
	15

Speech Communication	3
Research Writing	3
Principles of Microeconomics	3
Accounting II	3
Business Calculus	3
	15

JUNIOR

Specialized Major Course	3
Physical/Life Science core elective	3
Literature/Foreign Language Literature core elective	3
Cultural Heritage (HUMN 240)	3
Elective	3
	15

Finance Elective - Specialization Courses	6
Anthropology/Political Science core elective	3
Cultural Heritage (HUMN 250)	3
Elective	3
	15

SOPHOMORE

Management	3
Business Statistics I	3
CMSC 180 and 183	3
Principles of Macroeconomics	3
Cultural Heritage (HUMN 220)	3
	15

Managerial Finance	3
Marketing	3
Business Statistics II	3
Ethics*	3
Cultural Heritage (HUMN 230)	3
	15

SENIOR

Money and Financial Markets	3
Investments	3
Religious Studies or Philosophy core elective*	3
Electives	6
	15
Advanced Managerial Finance	3
Finance Elective-Specialization Course	3
Psychology/Sociology core elective	3
Electives	6
	15

*The ethics requirement can be satisfied by MGT/THEO 252 or a core approved Philosophy Ethics course.

How does the program work?

As a Finance major, you'll acquire the broad base of knowledge, represented by the University's core courses taken by all students, that will prove valuable in your future career development and daily life as a citizen of your community. You'll learn the fundamentals of the economic system, both as it functions at the national level and within the corporation. You'll also learn the principles of accounting, managerial finance and statistics. You'll develop your knowledge in computer science, in college algebra and in finite mathematics or pre-calculus, along with knowledge in ethics and each of the related social sciences: sociology, political science and psychology.

To complete your major, you will develop additional skills in upper-level business courses such as marketing, managerial finance and management. To achieve the finance major you will cultivate finance-related skills through courses in investments, money and banking, international finance and advanced managerial finance.

Concentrations

What are concentrations? Concentrations are specific groupings of courses designed to develop a career focus within an undergraduate major. These bundles of courses allow students to focus their studies and actively prepare for a career in a specialized field. Certain courses in the concentration may fulfill major specialization requirements in several majors.

Managing Human Resources

Twelve semester hours consisting of three required courses: MGT 330 Human Resource Management, MGT 334 Training and Development, and MGT 335 Compensation and Benefits; and one of the following courses: MGT 235 Business Law I, MGT/PSYC 320 Organizational Behavior or MGT/INTB 302 International Management.

Integrated Marketing Communications (IMC)

Thirteen semester hours consisting of: MKTG 330 Promotional Strategy, MKTG 331 Internet Marketing Communications, MKTG 332 Web 2.0 Tools in Business, MKTG 333 Personal Selling and Sales Management, and COMM 208 Layout and Design. MKTG 297 Internship is strongly recommended as elective coursework to supplement the concentration.

Personal Financial Planning

Twelve semester hours consisting of three required courses: FINA C220 Personal Financial Planning, ACCT 312 Federal Taxation and FINA 320 Investments; and either MGT 235 Business Law I or ACCT 120 VITA Volunteer Income Tax Accounting plus FINA 120 Financial Literacy. FINA 297 Internship is strongly recommended as elective coursework to supplement the concentration.

Sports Management

Twelve semester hours consisting of two required courses: MGT 305 Sports Culture in America and MKTG 305 Sports Marketing; and two of the following courses: MGT 235 Business Law, MGT 297 Internship and MGT 301 Entrepreneurship.

Sports Marketing

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