

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 your first professional job and become an asset in getting 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

A finance major can provide a sound foundation leading to further studies in a Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.) program or law school. The capstone course, Advanced Managerial Finance, will allow you to integrate and apply your financial expertise.

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 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.

Recommended Program

Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance (Sports Management and Sports Marketing Concentrations)

What are the Sports Management and Sports Marketing Concentrations?

Sports are ingrained in American culture. For many, they are more significant and better understood than international events. The sports section is a key part of most major newspapers and sports are a significant component of every local news broadcast. Americans spend billions of dollars on everything from tickets to sports-endorsed merchandise. Advertisers spend billions of dollars to get their products in front of sports fans. Job opportunities are increasing as new sports gain popularity and television networks include more sports programming.

The Sports Management and Sports Marketing concentrations will examine this phenomenon and the impact that it has on the fiber of American society. A series of courses introduce students to various aspects of the rapidly expanding sports and leisure-related industry. Specific topics include facilities and player management, economics, culture, marketing, finance, budgeting and commerce. Every student will have the opportunity to complete an internship at either the Village of Lisle-Benedictine University Sports Complex or at a sports and/or leisure-related location in the Chicago area.

These concentrations are intended for business majors who are interested in understanding the dynamics of sports and leisure-related management or marketing. These concentrations could lead to careers in facilities management, team management and marketing management. The program prepares students for the demands involved in the operation of sports programs at various levels.

Some of the courses required for these concentrations can also fulfill major elective requirements.

The Sports Management Concentration consists of the following courses (in addition to the major requirements of your selected major in the Undergraduate Business Department):

MGT 305 Sports Culture in America
MKTG 305 Sports Marketing

Any two of the following three courses:

MGT 297 Internship
MGT 235 Business Law
MGT 301 Entrepreneurship

The Sports Marketing Concentration consists of the following courses (in addition to the major requirements of your selected major in the Undergraduate Business Department):

MGT 305 Sports Culture in America
MKTG 305 Sports Marketing

Any two of the following three courses:

MKTG 297 Internship
MKTG 330 Promotional Strategy
INTB 385 International Negotiations