

FINANCE MINOR

Banner Code: FNAN

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The Finance Minor provides students with a strong foundation in areas related to corporate financial management, investment analysis and management, risk management, management consulting, banking and other financial institution administration. The minor is well suited not only for non-Finance business majors, but also for students who are not business majors and are interested in a possible career in finance.

Admissions & Policies

Policies

At least eight credits must be unique to the minor and not applied toward any other major, minor, or concentration. Students must achieve a grade of C or better in each course that is applied toward the minor.

For policies governing all minors, see AP5.3.4 Minors (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/undergraduate-policies/#ap-5-3-4>). The Costello College of Business residency requirement for this minor supersedes the university requirement: at least nine credits must be earned at Mason.

Requirements

Minor Requirements

Total credits: 15

Required Courses

Code	Title	Credits
FNAN 303	Financial Management	3
FNAN 311	Principles of Investment ¹	3
FNAN 321	Financial Institutions ¹	3
FNAN 341	Introduction to Firm Valuation ¹	3
Total Credits		12

¹ FNAN 311, FNAN 321, and FNAN 341 all require a prerequisite of a B- or higher in FNAN 303.

Electives

Code	Title	Credits
Select one course from the following:		
ECON 306	Intermediate Microeconomics	3
ECON 310	Money and Banking	
ECON 330	Public Finance	
ECON 420	International Money and Finance	
ECON 421	Financial Economics	
FNAN 401	Advanced Financial Management	
FNAN 411	Investment Analysis and Portfolio Management	
FNAN 412	Futures and Options Markets	
FNAN 421	Money and Capital Markets	
FNAN 430	Empirical Methods in Finance	
FNAN 432	Fixed-Income Securities	
FNAN 436	Probability Methods for Finance	
FNAN 440	International Financial Management	
FNAN 477	Student Managed Investment Fund (Mason Core) (https://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
MSF 603	Managerial Economics and Decisions of the Firm ¹	
MSF 632	Statistical and Quantitative Methods for Finance ¹	
MSF 672	Corporate Finance and Governance ¹	
MSF 683	Ethical and Professional Standards in Finance ¹	
SYST 488	Financial Systems Engineering	

Total Credits **3**

¹ Students in the Accelerated Master's program and select high performing undergraduates may take graduate courses for undergraduate credit. Enrollment in a graduate level course is not guaranteed. Please contact an academic advisor for additional information.