

Finance (MS)*

This program is offered by the George Herbert Walker School of Business and Technology. It is available online, at the St. Louis main campus, and at select U.S. and international campuses. Please see the Campus Locations and Offerings section of this catalog for a list of campuses where this program is offered.

Program Description

The master of science (MS)* in finance is designed to provide a quantitative and comprehensive examination of the finance field, with special emphasis on the areas of corporate finance. Students will progress through courses in corporate finance, investments, and markets and institutions. A capstone experience will tie together the major finance topics, with a significant focus on mergers and acquisitions and firm valuation.

*NOTE: The master of science (MS) degree is abbreviated as MSc when completed in Vienna with Austrian accreditation.

The MS in finance is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP).

Learning Outcomes

- Students can determine the value of financial assets.
- Students can analyze the financial decisions of a corporation.
- Students can evaluate credit and interest rate risk.

Program Curriculum

The master of science in finance requires successful completion of 36 credit hours including 30 required credit hours and 6 credit hours of electives. The following courses are required for the master of science in finance:

- ACCT 6070 Managerial Accounting for Decision Making (3 hours)
- FINC 5000 Finance (3 hours)
- FINC 5100 Financial Modeling (3 hours)
- FINC 5210 Investments (3 hours)
- FINC 5810 Capital Budgeting and Corporate Investments (3 hours)
- FINC 5830 Institutions and Financial Markets (3 hours)
- FINC 5840 International Finance (3 hours)
- FINC 5880 Advanced Corporate Finance (3 hours)
- FINC 5890 Financial Statement Analysis (3 hours)
- FINC 6290 Mergers and Acquisitions (3 hours)

Prerequisites

- BUSN 5600 Accounting Theory and Practice (3 hours)
- BUSN 5760 Applied Business Statistics (3 hours)

Note: Program prerequisites are to be completed before beginning coursework for the master of science in finance for those students who have not completed prerequisite courses (or an appropriate equivalent) within five years of entering the program and having earned a grade of B or better. If the appropriate prerequisite course content was completed longer than five years prior to entering the program, the department will allow a waiver if the student demonstrates a command of the content area by successfully completing a waiver examination. The prerequisite course BUSN 5600 may not count as an7mrk67T3•

