

FINANCE B.S. IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

The finance curriculum is designed to equip students with a comprehensive foundation in financial management, financial markets and investments. Students will gain competence in making effective decisions, performing complex analyses, providing expert financial advice and utilizing current technology tools and data sources.

Basic Requirements for Finance Major

All students must complete a faculty-approved plan of study during the first semester of their junior year. The plan of study is available from a finance faculty advisor and must be completed and signed by the faculty advisor. Failure to implement and adhere to a program of study may delay graduation. Some courses have grade requirements in the prerequisite course (see the catalog course descriptions). Many of these courses may be taught once a year, so students should see their advisor for the schedule each academic year.

General Degree Requirements

To earn a baccalaureate degree, all students must complete successfully, in addition to any other requirements, the University of Montana General Education Requirements. Please refer to the General Education Requirements page (<http://catalog.umt.edu/academics/general-education-requirements/>) for more information.

Additional requirements for graduation can be found on the Degree/Certificate Requirements for Graduation page (<http://catalog.umt.edu/academics/graduation-requirements/>).

Unless otherwise noted in individual program requirements, a minimum grade point average of 2.00 in all work attempted at the University of Montana-Missoula is required for graduation. Please see the Academic Policies and Procedures page (<http://catalog.umt.edu/academics/policies-procedures/>) for information on how your GPA is calculated.

Courses taken to satisfy the requirements of a major, minor, or certificate program must be completed with a grade of C- or better unless a higher grade is noted in the program requirements.

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- At least 54 credits must be earned in business classes (ECNS, COB internship and COB faculty let study abroad courses may be counted in business classes). A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required for these courses.
- At least 27 credits in business, the capstone course, AND all required 400-level finance courses must be taken at UM.
- All business credits transferred in after matriculating to UM must be pre-approved by the department chair in your major.

Course Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Primary Lower Core		
Complete all of the following courses:		
ACTG 201	Principles of Financial Accounting	3

ACTG 202	Principles of Managerial Accounting	3
BGEN 105S	Introduction to Business	3
BGEN 222	Business Models and Operations	3
BMIS 270	MIS Foundations for Business	3
ECNS 201S	Principles of Microeconomics	3

Mathematics Requirement

Complete one of the following courses:		3-4
M 115	Probability and Linear Mathematics	
M 121	College Algebra	
M 151	Precalculus	
M 162	Applied Calculus	

Statistics Requirement ¹

Complete one of the following courses:		3-4
FORS 201	Forest Biometrics	
PSYX 222	Psychological Statistics	
SOCI 202	Social Statistics	
STAT 216	Introduction to Statistics	

Secondary Lower Core Courses ²

Complete all of the following courses:		
BGEN 220E	Business Ethics and Social Responsibility (Students must complete this course with a C- or better prior to taking the capstone, though earlier completion is strongly encouraged.)	3
COMX 111A	Introduction to Public Speaking (Students must complete this course with a C- or better prior to taking the capstone, though earlier completion is strongly encouraged.)	3
ECNS 202S	Principles of Macroeconomics	3

Upper Major Core Courses ³

Complete all of the following courses:		
BFIN 322	Business Finance	3
BGEN 341	People, Process and Technology I	3
BGEN 342	People, Process and Technology II	3
BGEN 361	Principles of Business Law	3
BMKT 325	Principles of Marketing	3

Capstone and Upper-Division Writing Requirement ⁴

Complete the following course:		
BGEN 499	Strategic Management	3

Finance Required Courses

Complete all of the following courses:		
BFIN 420	Investments	3
BFIN 424	Markets, Institutions & Financial Engineering	3
BFIN 435	Corporate Finance	3
BFIN 450	Banking	3

Finance Electives

Complete 12 credits from the following courses:		12
ACTG 305	Corporate Reporting I	
ACTG 321	Accounting Information Systems I	
ACTG 410	Cost Management Accounting I	
BFIN 301	Analysis of Financial Statements	
BFIN 410	\$50,000 Portfolio	

BFIN 421	Real Estate Investment & Analysis
BFIN 473	Multinational Financial Mgmt
BFIN 498	Internship ⁵
BMIS 326	Introduction to Data Analytics
BMIS 479	Introduction to Consulting
ECNS 301	Intermediate Microeconomics with Calculus
ECNS 302	Intermediate Macroeconomics
ECNS 313	Money and Banking
ECNS 403	Introduction to Econometrics
Total Hours	75-77

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This is a primary lower core requirement. The College of Business requires that credit be earned for STAT 216 (preferred) or one of the other statistics courses below with a C- or better prior to being admitted into an upper-division College of Business major.

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All courses must be completed with a C- or better to satisfy prerequisites for certain major, upper major core, or capstone courses. Students are advised to complete these courses prior to being admitted to an upper-division Business Major. Prerequisites are strictly enforced.

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All upper major core courses must be completed before the capstone can be taken. A student must be listed as a major or minor in business to take these courses. Major or minor in business is defined as junior standing with all primary lower core courses completed, a 2.0 cumulative GPA, and formal admission to the major or minor.

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Students must complete all primary and secondary lower core and upper core courses and their prerequisites and have an approved graduation application to register for their capstones. Students must pass the required comprehensive exam as well as all requisite coursework to earn a passing grade in BGEN 499.

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Up to 3 credits of BFIN 498 can count towards the 12-credit elective requirement.