Finance

Finance is the art and science of managing money. Financial management involves corporations raising and employing funds in order to maximize shareholders’ wealth. The investments field involves balancing the expected return and risk characteristics of securities in order to make optimal portfolio investment decisions. Financial institutions and markets serve as conduits through which the economy matches supply and demand of investable funds so that scarce resources are allocated efficiently. Career opportunities include credit, financial, and securities analysts, bank examiners, loan officers, comptrollers, treasurers, portfolio managers, financial services representatives, financial planners, and insurance underwriters.

Finance Option

**Freshman Year**

- **BGEN 104US - Business & Entrepreneurship Fundamentals Seminar**
  - Fall: 3

- **ECNS 101IS - Economic Way of Thinking**
  - Fall: 3

- **Non-business/non-economics and general electives, and University Core**
  - Fall: 9

- **ECNS 202 - Principles of Macroeconomics**
  - Fall: 3

- **M 161Q - Survey of Calculus**
  - Fall: 4

- **Non-business/non-economics and general electives, and University Core**
  - Fall: 9

**Year Total:** 15

**Sophomore Year**

- **ACTG 201 - Principles of Financial Acct**
  - Fall: 3

- **BMIS 211 - Intro to Bus Decision Support**
  - Fall: 3

- **STAT 216Q - Introduction to Statistics**
  - Fall: 3

- **Non-business/non-economics and general electives, and University Core**
  - Fall: 6

- **ACTG 223 - Principles of Accounting II**
  - Fall: 3

- **BMGT 205 - Prof Business Communication**
  - Fall: 3

- **ECNS 204IS - Microeconomics**
  - Fall: 3

- **STAT 217Q - Intermediate Statistical Concepts or BMGT 240IS - Business Research Methods**
  - Fall: 3

- **Non-business/non-economics and general electives, and University Core**
  - Fall: 3

**Year Total:** 15

**Junior Year**

- **BMGT 335 - Management and Organization**
  - Fall: 3

- **BMIS 311 - Management Information Systems**
  - Fall: 3

- **BFIN 322 - Business Finance**
  - Fall: 3

- **BFIN 357 - Financial Markets & Institutions**
  - Fall: 3

- **ACTG 327 - Intermediate Financial Accounting and Reporting I**
  - Fall: 3

- **BGEN 302 - Career Perspectives or BGEN 303 - Professional Coaching Clinic**
  - Fall: 1

- **BMGT 322 - Operations Management**
  - Fall: 3

- **BMKT 325 - Principles of Marketing**
  - Fall: 3

- **BFIN 441 - Advanced Analysis of Financial Statements**
  - Fall: 3

- **Non-business/non-economics and general electives, and University Core**
  - Fall: 6

**Year Total:** 15

**Senior Year**

- **BGEN 361 - Principles of Business Law**
  - Fall: 3

- **BFIN 420R - Investments I**
  - Fall: 3

- **BFIN 435 - Corporate Finance**
  - Fall: 3

- **Non-business/non-economics and general electives, and University Core**
  - Fall: 3

- **BFIN 460 - Derivative Securities and Risk Management**
  - Fall: 3

- **BGEN 499 - Senior Thesis/Capstone: Strategy Seminar**
  - Fall: 4

- **Non-business/non-economics and general electives, and University Core**
  - Fall: 3

**Year Total:** 15

Choose two of the following:

- **BFIN 421 - Real Estate and Investment Analysis (on demand)**

- **BFIN 452 - International Finance**

- **BFIN 456 - Financial Management for the Entrepreneur**
  - (on demand)

- **BFIN 458 - Commercial Bank Management**

- **BFIN 461 - Portfolio Management**

- **BFIN 466 - Investments II (on demand)**

- **BFIN 498 - Internship (Must be taken for at least 3 credits, but counts as one Finance elective)**

- **ACTG 328 - Inter Fin Acct & Reporting II**

- **BMGT 405 - Supply Chain Analytics**

- **ECNS 301 - Intermediate Micro with Calc**

- **ECNS 303 - Intermediate Macro with Calc**

- **ECNS 403R - Intro to Econometrics**

- **ECNS 406 - Industrial Organization**

- **STAT 411 - Methods for Data Analysis I**

*Students must meet pre-requisite requirements of individual courses.*

**Year Total:** 15

**Total Program Credits:** 120

* Students transferring into the Jake Jabs College of Business & Entrepreneurship (JJCBE), either from another institution or from another MSU department, who have already earned credit for a University Seminar (US) course must take BGEN 204 instead of BGEN 104US.

All business majors must be formally admitted to the Jake Jabs College of Business & Entrepreneurship (JJCBE) in order to enroll in all upper-division (300-400 level) option courses (ACTG, BFIN, BMGT, BMKT, BGEN, BMIS) and BGEN 499 Senior Thesis/Capstone: Strategy Seminar.

A minimum of 120 credits is required for graduation; 42 of these credits must be in courses numbered 300 and above; 54 credits must be non-business/non-economics rubrics (although ECNS 101IS, ECNS 202, ECNS 204IS, BMGT 240IS may be included); University Core credit requirements must be satisfied.
Any students transferring to the JJCBE must meet the JJCBE residency requirement (http://catalog.montana.edu/undergraduate/business/#Acceptance_Transfer_Credits).
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Times was used instead of Adobe Garamond Pro.

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