

# GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

The graduate certificate in financial management provides background and training in the financial aspects of three broad principal business functions: obtaining necessary capital; investing the capital into the firm's asset and operations, ethically maximizing the value to shareholders; and distributing the profits resulting from product and service sales to shareholders.

Visit the program website (<https://business.gwu.edu/academics/programs/certificate/graduate-certificate-financial-management/>) for additional program information.

## ADMISSIONS

Admission Fall  
deadlines:

Round 1 1/15

Round 2 3/1

Round 3 5/15

Recommendations (2) recommendations required.  
required:

Prior academic records: Transcripts are required from all colleges and universities attended, whether or not credit was earned, the program was completed, or the credit appears as transfer credit on another transcript. Unofficial transcripts from all colleges and universities attended must be uploaded to your online application. Official transcripts are required only of applicants who are offered admission.

If transcripts are in a language other than English, English language translations must be provided. The English translation alone should be uploaded into your application.

Statement of purpose: In an essay of 250 – 500 words, state your purpose in undertaking graduate study in your chosen field. Include your academic objectives, research interests, and career plans. Also discuss your related qualifications, including collegiate, professional, and community activities, and any other substantial accomplishments not already mentioned on the application.

International applicants only: Please follow this link - <https://graduate.admissions.gwu.edu/international-student-application-requirements> (<https://graduate.admissions.gwu.edu/international-student-application-requirements/>) - to review the International Applicant Information carefully for details on required documents and English language requirements. Please note: international students who require a student visa from GW are not eligible to apply for admission to this program.

PLEASE NOTE that the minimum English language test scores required by this program are:

- Academic IELTS: an overall band score of 7.0 with no individual band score below 6.0; or

- TOEFL: 600 on paper-based, or 100 on Internet-based; or

- Academic PTE: 68

Supporting documents not submitted online should be mailed to:

The GW School of Business  
Attn: Graduate Admissions  
2201 G Street, NW, Suite 550  
Washington, DC 20052

Contact for questions:

[business@gwu.edu](mailto:business@gwu.edu)  
202-994-1212)

Hours: 9 am to 5 pm, Monday through Friday

Visit the School of Business website (<https://business.gwu.edu/graduate-applications/>) for additional admissions information.

## REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements must be fulfilled: 12 credits, including 9 credits in required courses and one 3-credit elective course.

Code	Title	Credits
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### Foundation courses

MBAD 6211	Financial Accounting
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MBAD 6224	Decision Making and Data Analysis
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### Required for the certificate

FINA 6221	Financial Decision Making
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FINA 6223	Investment Analysis and Portfolio Management
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MBAD 6235	Finance
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### Elective

One course selected from the following:

ACCY 6106	Financial Statement Analysis
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FINA 6224	Financial Management
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