

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE WITH A MAJOR IN FINANCE

Emphasizing a finance-focused education and interdisciplinary education, George Washington's Finance program directly targets industries such as commercial banking, investment banking, money management, and insurance. As a finance student, you will be positioned to become an informed global steward, positioning you for a roster of careers in multinational corporations, sports organizations, or entrepreneurial operations. We are a community on the go; when our students aren't headed to New York to meet alumni, they join business clubs, work in high-profile internships, or enter their ideas into entrepreneurial competitions. GW's own backyard is filled with numerous financial organizations: investment banks; the government; nonprofits; and corporate powerhouses. Recent graduates have gone on to work at Barclays, Citigroup, Bloomberg, and Morgan Stanley.

Visit the program website (<https://business.gwu.edu/academics/programs/undergraduate/bs-finance/>) for additional information.

REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements must be fulfilled: a minimum of 120 credits, including University General Education (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/university-regulations/general-education/>), pre-business, and finance major courses, and completion of a non-GWSB minor.

Students pursuing finance as a second major should reference the finance as a second major (p. 2) requirements section at the bottom of this page.

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| General education courses | | |
| UW 1020 | University Writing | |
| 6 credits taken in at least two writing in the disciplines (WID) courses in two or more separate semesters. ¹ | | |
| One critical analysis in the humanities course. ² | | |
| One scientific reasoning with laboratory course. ² | | |
| One course with an approved oral communication component. ² | | |
| Pre-business courses | | |
| BADM 1001 & BADM 1002 | Business Leader Foundations I and Business Leader Foundations II ³ | |
| or BADM 1003 | Business Leader Foundations for Transfer Students | |
| BADM 3001 | Business Leader Career Strategy | |

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| BADM 4001 | Business Leader Launch |
| STAT 1051 | Introduction to Business and Economic Statistics |
| or STAT 1053 | Introduction to Statistics in Social Science |
| or STAT 1111 | Business and Economic Statistics I |
| or DNSC 1001 | Business Analytics I: Statistics for Descriptive and Predictive Analytics |
| or APSC 3115 | Engineering Analysis III |
| STAT 2118 | Regression Analysis |
| or ECON 2123 | Introduction to Econometrics |
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| ECON 1011 | Principles of Economics I |
| ECON 1012 | Principles of Economics II |
| One of the following sequences in mathematics: | |
| MATH 1231 & MATH 1232 | Single-Variable Calculus I and Single-Variable Calculus II |
| or MATH 1220 & MATH 1221 & MATH 1232 | Calculus with Precalculus I and Calculus with Precalculus II and Single-Variable Calculus II |
| Finance major courses | |
| ACCY 2001 | Introduction to Financial Accounting |
| ACCY 3106 | Financial Statement Analysis |
| BADM 3501 | Financial Management and Markets |
| BADM 4101 | Business Ethics and the Legal Environment |
| or BADM 4101W | Business Ethics and the Legal Environment |
| FINA 3001 | Intermediate Finance |
| FINA 3101 | Investment and Portfolio Management |
| FINA 4001 | Advanced Financial Management |
| or FINA 4001W | Advanced Financial Management |
| Four courses selected from the following: | |
| FINA 3201 | Exploring Finance with Simulation |
| or FINA 3201W | Exploring Finance with Simulation |
| FINA 3301 | Money and Capital Markets |
| FINA 3401 | A Brief History of Finance |

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| or FINA 3401W | A Brief History of Finance |
| FINA 4101 | Applied Financial Securities Analysis |
| FINA 4102 | Investing in Real Estate Investment Trusts |
| FINA 4103 | Quantitative Investing |
| FINA 4104 | Foundations of Venture Capital |
| FINA 4201 | Real Estate Investment |
| FINA 4301 | Financial Derivatives |
| FINA 4900 | Special Topics |
| or FINA 4900W | Special Topics |
| One international field course selected from the following: | |
| ECON 2180 | Survey of International Economics |
| ECON 2181 | International Trade Theory and Policy |
| ECON 2182 | International Macroeconomic Theory and Policy |
| IBUS 3001 | Introduction to International Business |
| IBUS 3101 | Global Financial Environment |
| IBUS 3301 | International Business Finance |
| IBUS 4302 | International Banking |
| IBUS 4303 | International Monetary and Financial Issues |
| SMPP 4900W | Special Topics (Strategy and International Political Economy) |
| TSTD 3302 | Financial Management in Tourism and Hospitality |

Minor requirement

A minor outside of the School of Business is required for the degree. Courses vary by minor and typically require a minimum of 18 credits. Students may pursue a second major outside GWSB in lieu of the minor.

Electives

In general, students complete 31 credits in elective courses to reach the 120 credits required for the degree. Elective courses may be applied to a second non-GWSB minor, a GWSB concentration, or a GWSB or non-GWSB second major. Reference the GWSB undergraduate policies section for course restrictions.

¹ Courses must be taken after completion of UW 1020 and in separate semesters.

² See Undergraduate Education at GW (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/university-regulations/general-education/>) for additional information regarding approved courses for this requirement.

³ First-year students take BADM 1001 and BADM 1002; transfer students take BADM 1003.

FINANCE AS A SECOND MAJOR

Students who are pursuing finance as a second major are required to complete the following courses. Non-GWSB students may declare finance as a second major directly with their home school advisor; a signature from a GWSB academic advisor is not required.

The following course requirements must be completed:

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| Required | | |
| ACCY 2001 | Introduction to Financial Accounting | |
| ACCY 3106 | Financial Statement Analysis | |
| BADM 3501 | Financial Management and Markets | |
| FINA 3001 | Intermediate Finance | |
| FINA 3101 | Investment and Portfolio Management | |
| FINA 4001 | Advanced Financial Management | |
| or FINA 4001W | Advanced Financial Management | |
| Four courses selected from the following: | | |
| FINA 3201 | Exploring Finance with Simulation | |
| or FINA 3201W | Exploring Finance with Simulation | |
| FINA 3301 | Money and Capital Markets | |
| FINA 3401 | A Brief History of Finance | |
| or FINA 3401W | A Brief History of Finance | |
| FINA 4101 | Applied Financial Securities Analysis | |
| FINA 4102 | Investing in Real Estate Investment Trusts | |
| FINA 4103 | Quantitative Investing | |
| FINA 4104 | Foundations of Venture Capital | |
| FINA 4201 | Real Estate Investment | |
| FINA 4301 | Financial Derivatives | |
| FINA 4900 | Special Topics | |
| or FINA 4900W | Special Topics | |

COMBINED PROGRAM

Combined program

- Dual Bachelor of Science with a major in finance and Master of Science in Finance (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/business/dual-ba-bs-and-business-masters/>)