

FINANCE, BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

The study of finance equips students to analyze financial issues ranging from business finance to international finance and their relevance in the contemporary world. Capital structure and investment, personal and professional investing, asset valuation and management, risk hedging and management, and foreign exchange risk management are some traditional topics covered in the curriculum. The Bachelor of Science in Business Administration in Finance degree equips students to pursue finance-related career paths such as Financial Analysts, Cost/Credit Analysts, Bank Managers, Portfolio/Fund Managers, and Traders in Stocks, Bonds and Currencies.

The finance course of study contains a theoretical core supporting the finance, accounting, marketing, and management fields. It is designed to prepare graduates for management or analytical careers in business or government. In addition, the major provides a foundation for graduate study in a variety of fields. Faculty advisors work closely with students to assist them in planning their course work to achieve personal career objectives.

Students who complete the finance program will be able to:

1. Understand economic concepts and relationships.
2. Understand financial decision making at the individual, corporate, and public policy levels.
3. Improve problem-solving skills through the application of economic and financial concepts.
4. Evaluate economic and financial issues in a global context.

Curriculum

The matrix below is a sample plan for all coursework required for this program.

Course	Title	Hours
Freshman		
Fall		
ENGL 1013	Composition I ¹	3
FAH 1XXX	Fine Arts and Humanities Courses ¹	3
USHG 1XXX	U.S. History and Government ¹	3
MATH 2223	Quantitative Business Analysis	3
BUAD 1111	Introduction to Business	1
BUAD 2003	Business Information Systems	3
Hours		16
Spring		
ENGL 1023	Composition II ¹	3
FAH 1XXX	Fine Arts and Humanities Courses ¹	3
SCIL 1XXX	Science with Laboratory ¹	4
MATH 2243	Calculus for Business and Economics	3
COMM 2173 or COMM 2003	Business and Professional Speaking or Public Speaking	3
Hours		16
Sophomore		
Fall		
ACCT 2004 & ACCT 2000	Accounting Principles I and Accounting Principles I Lab	4
ECON 2003	Principles of Macroeconomics	3

BDA 2003	Business Problem Solving	3
BLAW 2033	Legal Environment of Business	3
General Elective		2
Hours		15
Spring		
SCIL 1XXX	Science with Laboratory ¹	4
ACCT 2013	Accounting Principles II	3
ECON 2013	Principles of Microeconomics	3
STAT 2163 or SOC/PSY 2053	Introduction to Statistical Methods or Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences	3
ENGL 2053	Technical Writing	3
Hours		16
Junior		
Fall		
School of Business Elective (3000-4000 level) ²		3
FIN 3063	Business Finance	3
MGMT 3003	Principles of Management	3
Finance Major Elective ^{3,4}		3
Economics Elective (3000-4000)		3
Hours		15
Spring		
ECON 3003	Money and Banking	3
ECON 3093	Econometrics	3
MKT 3043	Principles of Marketing	3
FIN 3043	Investments	3
MGMT 3103	Operations Management	3
Hours		15
Senior		
Fall		
MGMT 4013	Management Information Systems ⁵	3
FIN 3023	Financial Markets and Institutions	3
FIN 4023	Portfolio Management	3
Elective ⁵		3
Hours		12
Spring		
MGMT 4083	Business Policy	3
FIN 4033	Financial Modeling	3
FIN 4093	Advanced Financial Management ⁵	3
Finance Major Elective ^{3,4}		3
Elective ⁵		3
Hours		15
Total Hours		120

¹ See appropriate alternatives or substitutions in "General Education Requirements (<https://catalog.atu.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/>)".

² Excludes HIM and AHS courses.

³ Only three hours of economic/finance internship will apply to this requirement.

⁴ Finance major elective options: FIN 2013 Personal Finance, FIN 3033 Principles of Real Estate, FIN 4053 Internship I in Economics/Finance, FIN 4083 Financial Institution Management, ECON 4093 International Economics and Finance, ECON 3073 Intermediate Microeconomic Theory, ACCT 3003 Intermediate Accounting I, ACCT 3013 Intermediate Accounting II, ACCT 3043 Federal Taxes I or BDA 3053 Business Data Analysis

⁵ Students may apply in their junior year for admission into the Finance Accelerated Bachelor's Plus MBA Degree; however, they must have completed a minimum of 90 credit hours towards the Bachelor degree and have earned a minimum GPA of 3.0 or higher in those undergraduate courses to be eligible. Once approved, the student will be conditionally admitted into the MBA program. The following

graduate level courses can be used to replace four upper-division undergraduate courses as follows:

- FIN 6103 Corporate Financial Management can replace FIN 4093 Advanced Financial Management
- BDA 6203 Business Information Analysis can replace MGMT 4013 Management Information Systems
- ECON 6103 Managerial Economics can replace Finance Elective
- ACCT 6103 Accounting Analysis can replace Finance Elective