Finance (BS)

This program is offered by the Walker School of Business & Technology/Business Department.

Program Description
The field of finance blends economics, accounting, and other business disciplines with the goal of making sound business financial decisions. Financial tools and methodologies are of crucial importance for both small and large businesses. Important areas of finance include raising capital, making investments, and understanding the financial markets in which businesses operate.

In addition to completing the core business curriculum requirements, students taking a major in finance will study the three general areas of finance: corporate finance, investments, and financial institutions and markets. Students will also complete at least one advanced course in each area after completion of the principles-level course. After completion of the finance core, students have choices to tailor their program according to their interests and career outlook. All finance majors will complete the business school’s common core capstone course.

The BS in finance is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP).

Learning Outcomes

• Students can apply time value of money techniques to security valuation.
• Students can evaluate the financial strength of a corporation and analyze capital budgeting decisions.
• Students can understand the risk-return relationship and can estimate appropriate rates of return.
• Students can describe the intermediation services provided by financial institutions.

Degree Requirements
A minimum of 128 credit hours consisting of the following:

• 42 hours BSBA core curriculum
• 21 finance major required credit hours
• Applicable University Global Citizenship Program hours
• Electives

Required Finance Courses

• FINC 3600 Financial Management (3 hours)
• FINC 3800 Financial Financial Markets and Institutions (3 hours)
• FINC 4210 Investments (3 hours)
• Elective Options (12 hours)

Four courses must be selected from the following list. Two of the four courses (6 credit hours) must be FINC prefix courses.

• FINC 4220 Financial Statement Analysis (3 hours)
• FINC 4300 International Finance (3 hours)
• FINC 4610 Advanced Investments (3 hours)
• ECON 3030 Intermediate Macroeconomics (3 hours)
• ECON 3020 Intermediate Microeconomics (3 hours)
• ECON 3200 Money and Banking (3 hours)
• ACCT 3030 Intermediate Accounting I (3 hours)
• ACCT 3040 Intermediate Accounting II (3 hours)
• ACCT 3075 Federal Tax Accounting: Personal (3 hours)
• ACCT 3080 Federal Tax Accounting: Corporate (3 hours)