

FINANCE (FIN)

FIN 215 Personal Finance 3 credits

This course presents an overview of the financial planning process for individuals. The focus is on the decision-making tools and applications of financial planning. Students will build their own financial plan that will guide their financial decisions in the present and in the future.

FIN 301 Corporate Finance I 4 credits

This course explores the basics of financial management. Topics include the capital markets, the cash budget, pro forma statements, analysis of financial statements, and the time value of money. Students also complete a research project. It is highly recommended that students take MAT 110 or have a basic understanding of statistics before taking this course. (Prerequisites: Minimum grade of C- in ACC 201 or ACC 384)

FIN 305 Corporate Finance I 3 credits

FIN 315 Corporate Finance II 3 credits

This course continues the examination of various corporate finance topics from Corporate Finance I. Special focus is given to long-term financing, including bonds, preferred stock, common stock and the optimal capital structure. Students also explore capital budgeting and the cost of capital and dividend policy. (Prerequisites: ACC 205 or ACC 201, FIN 301 or FIN 305, CSC 210 or DAT 105).

FIN 415 Money and Banking 3 credits

Gain a deeper/broader view of the financial system and financial markets as you explore the evolution of money, money creation, inflation, the economy and the development of the banking system. The course determines the impact of money on Classical, Keynesian and Monetarist theories as well as on financial institutions and financial intermediaries. (Prerequisite: ECO 103, ACC 201 or ACC 205, CSC 210 or DAT 105, FIN 301 or FIN 305).

FIN 425 Investments and Capital Markets 3 credits

This course explores investment decision-making in a capitalist economy. The operation of securities markets, business cycles and fiscal and monetary policy are analyzed. Various investment methodologies are discussed. International investing, valuation of stocks and bonds and a survey of the various types of investment assets are also included. Students prepare an investment portfolio as their final project. (Prerequisite: FIN 301 or FIN 305)

FIN 488 Independent Study 1-4 credits

FIN 498 Finance Internship 3 credits

(Prerequisite: FIN 301 or FIN 305 Corequisite: FIN 311 or FIN 315).

FIN 500 Finance: Wealth Management 3 credits

This course offers a comprehensive overview of the key concepts, strategies, and tools used in wealth management. Students will learn to set goals, assess risk tolerance, explore asset allocation, and construct portfolios. Emphasis will be placed on understanding the trade-offs between risk and return, as well as the importance of diversification in building resilient investments. Students will be prepared for roles in wealth management and financial advisory firms, banks, trust companies, and other financial institutions serving high-net-worth clients.

FIN 525 Corporate Finance 3 credits

This course focuses on the theories, tools, and techniques used in corporate financial management. Students will learn about the role of financial markets and institutions, the principles of capital budgeting, and the importance of financial statement analysis in corporate decision-making. Through an exploration of these concepts, students will be able to make informed financial decisions, optimize corporate financial strategies, and create sustainable value for shareholders.

FIN 550 Finance: Investment Analysis 3 credits

This course offers an advanced exploration of topics in investment analysis, including strategic and tactical asset allocation, performance evaluation, and behavioral finance. Students will analyze financial data, evaluate investment alternatives, and develop strategies to achieve specific financial objectives. The course also equips students to construct diversified investment portfolios, and make informed investment decisions in diverse market conditions.

FIN 575 Fintech 3 credits

This course offers a comprehensive exploration of the intersection between finance and technology, including the innovations, disruptions, and opportunities brought about by advancements in digital finance. Students will learn how technology is being leveraged to create new financial products and services, streamline operations, and enhance the customer experience. In addition, students will examine regulatory frameworks governing Fintech companies, as well as ethical considerations related to data privacy, cybersecurity, and financial inclusion.