

FINANCE

SPECIALIZATION IN THE BACHELOR OF
SCIENCE IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

Career opportunities in Finance include:

- **Business Finance** - entry-level positions in a credit or treasurer's department where employees may analyze credit applications, assist in the management of bill collections, manage cash & short-term investments, prepare budgets, and handle bank relations.
- **Financial Institutions** - Graduates joining commercial banks may train in various departments for 6-12 months until they begin positions in lending, branch supervision, operations, internal auditing, trusts, and investments. Others work for governmental agencies.
- **Investments** - security analysis and investment portfolio management. Experience is usually necessary.
- **Insurance and Risk Management** - entry-level positions in areas of management training, claims adjustment, underwriting, credit management, and sales. Careers extend into employee benefits, managing exposure to financial risk, reinsurance, and physical risk management.
- **Personal Financial Planning** - Graduates work for an independent financial planning company or a regional branch of a national financial services company, providing services in the areas of investment, insurance, tax, retirement, and estate planning.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS:

- Financial Management Society;
Advisor: Dr. Dan Klein, 372-8963

CURRICULUM:

Finance is a discipline dealing with the allocation of funds within an organization and with the acquisition of funds to meet current and future needs. In addition to BSBA core courses, finance students take courses in Investment Analysis, Financial Markets, and Corporate Finance. They also select 4 finance electives from appropriate Finance and Accounting courses.

SPECIAL HIGHLIGHTS:

- Over \$20,000 in department scholarships
- The average 2006-07 BGSU co-op hourly wage for finance students was \$11.42.
- According to a recent survey by www.payscale.com, the median salary for a corporate finance analyst was at least \$48,000 in 2007.
- Initial job opportunities and later career choices are almost unlimited for finance graduates with accounting and computer knowledge.
- Companies that have hired recent graduates include Avery Dennison, Westfield Companies, Sherwin Williams, UPS, Health Care REIT, Inc. and Wells Fargo.
- Surveys indicate that many of the top corporation officers (Presidents and CEOs) are graduates in finance.
- Check out our website at www.business.bgsu.edu/fin/.

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FINANCE – 21 Hours

A specialization in the
Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

Students must meet the specialization requirements in effect at the time of their admission to the BSBA degree program.

The specific requirements for the **Finance** specialization are as follows:

<u>Courses</u>	<u>Course Name</u>	<u>Credit Hours</u>
FIN 340	Financial Markets	(3)
FIN 350	Corporate Finance	(3)
FIN 435	Investment Analysis and Management	(3)

Plus any four of the following **with at least one course being a finance course**:

FIN 410	International Financial Management	(3)
FIN 412	Financial and Retirement Planning	(3)
FIN 420	Insurance and Employee Benefit Planning	(3)
FIN 445	Management of Financial Institutions	(3)
FIN 455	Financial Modeling	(3)
ACCT 321	Intermediate Financial Accounting I	(3)
ACCT 341	Individual Income Taxation	(3)
ACCT 422	Intermediate Financial Accounting II	(3)
ACCT 444	Estate Planning	(3)

Students must meet prerequisites in effect at the time of course enrollment. Check course prerequisites at <http://webapps.bgsu.edu/courses/search.php>.

Notes:

- Students pursuing the financial planning concentration within the Finance Specialization are required to take the following four finance electives: FIN 412, FIN 420, ACCT 341, and ACCT 444 in addition to FIN 340, 350, and 435 (21-hour specialization).
- All 400-level Finance courses require a grade of "C" or better in the prerequisite Finance course.

Students are responsible for meeting all requirements for the BSBA including specialization requirements.