Finance

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Degree Awarded
MBA in Finance

Certificate Awarded
Advanced Graduate Certificate in Finance

The 18-credit Advanced Graduate Certificate (AGC) in Finance prepares students for careers in financial management, including financial analysis, portfolio management, investment banking and corporate financial associate positions. The curriculum places an emphasis on developing financial analytical skills. It offers in-depth knowledge of the principles and techniques of finance and accounting needed to understand how corporate financial objectives are developed, measured and reported, as well as the central issues in government regulation, taxation and financial reporting.

Online or On-campus
The AGC in Finance is a part-time program designed for working professionals. Students can take some or all of their courses online. (See the 2015-2016 online course schedule.) On-campus courses are scheduled in the evening.

University Badges
As they progress through the program, AGC students may earn University Badges — digital credentials that recognize the knowledge and skills developed by successfully completing two-course sequences in specialized areas (see details). The University Badge may be displayed on LinkedIn, Facebook, and Twitter profiles, and added to a resume to bring visibility to your achievement.

MBA Program
Certificate students may choose to pursue admission into the University's MBA in Finance program, which has a separate application and additional admissions requirements. Acceptance into the MBA program is not guaranteed, but all certificate credits are transferable into the MBA program.

AGC in Finance Admissions
A. Personal statement.
B. A bachelor’s degree, with a cumulative 3.0 grade point average.
C. Resume.
D. In those cases where the departmental admissions committee deems it desirable, personal interviews with departmental representatives may be necessary.

Finance Certificate Requirements
The curriculum consists of 18 credits (6 courses; 3 credits each). Students complete two required courses and choose elective courses that explore the broad frontier of modern finance.

Required Courses
- MBA 502 Finance
- MBA 504 Financial Accounting

Electives (Choose any 4 courses listed below)
- FIN 525 Portfolio Management
- FIN 536 Financial Management
- FIN 539 Investment Analysis
- FIN 545 Capital Markets and Financial Institutions
- FIN 552 Mergers & Acquisitions
- FIN 576 Real Estate Finance

Finance Faculty
Courses in the AGC in Finance program are taught by full-time and adjunct faculty appointed by the College of Business.
Full-time Faculty

Brusco, Sandro, Professor, Economics
Focardi, Sergio, Visiting Professor, Finance
Frey, Robert J., Research Professor
Holod, Dmytro, Associate Dean; Associate Professor, Finance
Kim, Aaron, Assistant Professor, Finance
Liu, Ting, Assistant Professor, Economics
Nugent, Michael, Lecturer, Finance; MBA Program Director; Finance Program Director
Palermo, Mark, Lecturer, Management
Rachev, Svetlozar (Zari), Professor, Finance
Smith, Noah, Assistant Professor, Finance
Stoyanov, Stoyan, Research Professor, Finance
Tauman, Yair, Professor, Economics
Torna, Gokhan, Assistant Professor, Finance
Xiao, Keli, Assistant Professor, Finance
Zeisberger, Stefan, Assistant Professor, Finance; Director, Center for Behavioral Finance
Zhou, Yiyi, Assistant Professor, Economics

Adjunct Faculty

Mark Bhasin
Vincent Giardini
Cara Marshall
Lee Rosner
Thomas Tallerico

NOTE: The course descriptions for this program can be found in the corresponding program PDF or at COURSE SEARCH.