

FINANCE

Finance teaches the techniques that managers use to make and evaluate all types of organizational decisions. In addition to careers in corporate finance, investments, and banking, this major allows students to prepare for a wide range of organizational activities. The Finance student is also able to prepare for a specialized job in the rapidly growing financial services industry: Insurance, Real Estate, Brokerage, Financial Planning, and Portfolio Management. To achieve these goals the student chooses one of two concentrations: Financial Analysis or Financial Services.

The Financial Analysis concentration allows students interested in utilizing their quantitative skills to prepare for careers such as Security Analyst, Comptroller/Treasurer, Research, or for graduate study. Required courses: Accounting 309 (Intermediate Accounting), Economics 301 (Intermediate Macroeconomics), Economics 302 (Intermediate Microeconomics), Economics 310 (Money and Banking), Finance 400 (Investment), Finance 410 (Advanced Business Finance) and Finance 440 (International Finance).

The Financial Services concentration is designed to introduce the student to some of the fastest growing economic sectors in the world: Insurance Sales and Underwriting, Commercial Real Estate and Financial Planning/Brokerage. Required courses: Economics 310 (Money and Banking), Finance 320 (Risk and Insurance), Finance 331 (Introduction to Investment), and Finance 340 (Principles of Real Estate). Students can then specialize by choosing one of two options: [1] Insurance-Finance 322 (Property/Casualty), Finance 326 (Life and Health), and Marketing 330 (Personal Sales); or [2] Real Estate-Finance 442 (Appraisal) and Finance 450 (Real Estate Investment). Geography 420 (Geographic Information Systems) is recommended for students interested in Real Estate.

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Total Hours: 129			
<u>FRESHMAN YEAR</u>	<u>Sem. Hrs.</u>	<u>SOPHOMORE YEAR</u>	<u>Sem. Hrs.</u>
Communications 135	3	Accounting 205, 206	6
Approved elective (outside College of Business)	3	Social Science Electives ¹	3
English 105, 115	6	Management 210	3
Fine and performing arts ¹	3	Mathematics 260	3
History ¹	3	Economics 201 and 202	6
Mathematics 121	3	Information Systems/Decision Sciences 265	3
Information Systems/Decision Sciences 150	3	English (200 level literature)	3
Science (two-semester sequence)	6	English 226	3
Social Science Elective	<u>3</u>	Science (non-sequential area)	<u>3</u>
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<u>JUNIOR YEAR</u>	<u>Sem. Hrs.</u>	<u>SENIOR YEAR</u>	<u>Sem. Hrs.</u>
Accounting electives ²	3	Information Systems/Decision Sciences 350	3
Business Law 280	3	Management 480	3
Finance electives ²	6	Finance electives ²	12
Finance 301	3	Approved electives (outside College of Business)	<u>12</u>
Management 301, 383	6		30
Marketing 301	3		
Approved electives (College of Business)	<u>9</u>		
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NOTE: Six hours of International Courses required.

¹See "General Degree Requirements" *LSU in Shreveport Catalog* for restrictions.

²See details of Financial Analysis and Financial Services concentrations in this section of the *LSU in Shreveport Catalog*.