FINANCE (FIN)

FIN 3301. Real Estate.
A study of basic real estate principles. Topics include legal instruments and processes, property management, valuations, planning, development and sales, financing, and private and public interests.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

This course is an introduction to the finance function and to problems confronting financial managers. Topics covered include ratio analysis, time value of money, asset valuation, and risk and return. Prerequisites: ACC 2362; CIS 1323; ECO 2314; ECO 2315; MATH 1329 or equivalent; and completion of, or concurrent enrollment in, QMST 2333.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

FIN 3313. Financial Management.
This course is an advanced study of intermediate and long-term financing alternatives, the incorporation of risk analyses in capital budgeting and the determination of capital costs, capital structure, and dividend policies. Prerequisites: FIN 3312, with a grade of "B" or better; QMST 2333.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

FIN 3316. Financial Information Technologies.
The course introduces students to technology supporting financial modeling and decision making. Students use computers to apply concepts and theories learned in the introductory Finance course. Course relies on quantitative analysis and use of the internet. Prerequisites: FIN 3312, with a grade of "B" or better; QMST 2333.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

FIN 3318. Investment Analysis.
This course studies the principles governing the investment of personal and institutional funds. Also examined are information sources, exchanges, and regulations. Prerequisites: FIN 3312, with a grade of "B" or better.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

FIN 3325. Personal Financial Management.
A study of modern money management, including budgeting, banking, real estate, insurance, consumer credit, and retirement and estate planning. Not for Business majors.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

FIN 3326. Financial Planning Insurance.
An introduction to the steps in the financial planning process. Topics include assessing financial objectives, financial planning, and personal financial management. Insurance planning is emphasized. Prerequisites: FIN 3312 with a grade of "D" or better.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

FIN 3335. Retirement Planning and Employee Benefits.
Planning for individual and family retirement using models, software, and the analysis of federal regulations. Employee benefits are described and analyzed based on current practices and federal regulations. Prerequisites: FIN 3318 and FIN 3326, all with a grade of "D" or better.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

FIN 4317. Case Problems in Finance.
An application of investment and financial management techniques and concepts to finance cases. Issues and alternatives are identified and evaluated. Prerequisites: FIN 3312, FIN 3313, and FIN 3316. (WI).
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Writing Intensive
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

FIN 4318. Portfolio Management & Derivatives.
An advanced investments course which includes the following topics: portfolio analysis and management, derivatives theory and pricing, and applications of derivatives in portfolio management. Prerequisites: FIN 3313 and FIN 3316 and FIN 3318, all with a grade of "D" or better.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

A study of financial assets, money and capital markets, institutional intermediaries, and the impact of interest rates. Affords a thorough examination of the financial system facilitating economic growth and development. Prerequisites: ECO 3311 and FIN 3313 and FIN 3316, all with a grade of "D" or better. Prerequisite or co-requisite: FIN 3318 with a grade of "D" or better.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

A study of working capital and short-term financial management. Major topics include cash collections, cash concentration, disbursement management, forecasting cash flows, management of receivables and inventory, banking relationships, and short-term investment and borrow strategies. Prerequisites: FIN 3313 and FIN 3316, all with a grade of "D" or better.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

FIN 4321. Real Estate Finance.
An analysis of problems involved in selecting and financing real estate investment opportunities. Prerequisite: FIN 3312 with a grade of "D" or better.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
FIN 4322. Student Managed Investment Fund Practicum.  
The course examines the issues involved in the management and investment strategies of an endowment. It focuses on investment analysis, asset allocation, portfolio monitoring, evaluation, and rebalancing. May be repeated one time for credit with different emphasis. Prerequisites: FIN 3318 with a grade of "D" or better, and consent of the instructor.  
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 3 Lab Contact Hours.  
Course Attribute(s): Exclude from 3-peat Processing  
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Advanced course for finance majors interested in financial planning. Topics include ethics in the financial services industry, retirement planning and employee benefits, and estate planning. Prerequisites: FIN 3318 and FIN 3326, all with a grade of "D" or better.  
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.  
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

FIN 4326. Financial Plan Development.  
Financial Plan Development. Capstone course in personal financial planning. Integration of the financial planning curriculum in the development and presentation of a comprehensive personal financial plan. Prerequisites: FIN 3335 and FIN 4325, all with a grade of "D" or better. Prerequisite/Corequisite: ACC 4328 with a grade of "D" or better.  
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.  
Course Attribute(s): Writing Intensive  
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

FIN 4331. International Finance.  
A study of international finance principles and their application in a multinational financial management setting. Prerequisites: ECO 3311 and FIN 3313 and FIN 3316, all with a grade of "D" or better. (MULT).  
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.  
Course Attribute(s): Multicultural Content  
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

FIN 4340. Commercial Bank Management.  
Examines a variety of aspects of managing a commercial bank. Provides students with a conceptual framework for determining the effects of various decisions and environmental factors on a commercial bank's operations. Issues addressed include bank regulations, asset and liability management, analyzing bank performance, and capital management. Prerequisite: FIN 3313 and FIN 3316, all with a grade of "D" or better.  
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.  
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

FIN 4380F. New Venture Finance.  
An advanced study of methodologies to value financial investments; including but not limited to capital expenditures, commercial real estate, public companies, private companies, and start-up companies. Additional studies will include cost of capital structure and funding sources and alternatives. Prerequisite: FIN 3313 and FIN 3316, all with a grade of "D" or better.  
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.  
Course Attribute(s): Exclude from 3-peat Processing  
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

FIN 4380G. Financial Modeling and Equity Analysis.  
This course reviews and extends students' ability to perform financial statement analysis and forecasting. The focus of the course is on producing objective, theory-based company valuation research. Students will choose and defend inputs for qualitative analysis, and discover the importance of qualitative factors in firm value and performance.  
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.  
Course Attribute(s): Exclude from 3-peat Processing  
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

FIN 4380H. Introduction to Fiduciary Law.  
This course will develop the student’s fiduciary knowledge and skills. Students will develop a basic understanding of estate and trust administration, risk management, compliance, and tax planning. Key concepts will include Intestate Succession, Wills, Estate Administration, Trusts, Fiduciary Litigation, Wealth Transfer Taxation, Death and Disability Planning. Prerequisites: FIN 3312 with a grade of "D" or better.  
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.  
Course Attribute(s): Exclude from 3-peat Processing  
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

FIN 4380I. Introduction to Trust Principles.  
The course will explain the principles of estate planning, taxation and different forms of property ownership. A focus will be on the characteristics, administration and usage of trusts, retirement plans, guardianships and powers of attorney. Students will also follow the process of creating and administering a will containing Trust provisions. Prerequisite: FIN 3312 with a grade of "D" or better.  
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.  
Course Attribute(s): Exclude from 3-peat Processing  
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

FIN 4380J. Introduction to Finance Analytics.  
This course examines how data can be turned into insights for advance Finance concepts (trading strategies, portfolio optimization, model evaluation, investment planning, etc.). This course will show how to use open-source software (R, Python) in a Finance context. This is a hands-on practical programming course with step-by-step source code, in-class exercises and full solutions provided. No previous knowledge of programming is required. However, to be successful in this course you need to want to learn to program. Upon completion, students will be aware of financial models related to investments and corporate finance and will be able to write simple code. Prerequisites: FIN 3313, FIN 3318.  
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.  
Course Attribute(s): Exclude from 3-peat Processing  
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
FIN 4390. Internship in Finance.
Integration of professional and academic experience through an internship with an external employer. Open to Finance majors only, students must have completed at least nine hours of major courses, enrollment subject to availability and approval, credit awarded as pass/fail or grade at departmental election.
3 Credit Hours. 0 Lecture Contact Hours. 10 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Credit/No Credit

FIN 4395. Independent Study in Finance.
An in-depth study of a single topic or related problem solved through finance research. May be repeated once for credit with different emphasis. Prerequisite: Consent of instructor and department chair. (WI).
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Exclude from 3-peat Processing, Writing Intensive
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

FIN 5307. Financial Analysis.
Development of the theoretical basis and presentation of the techniques for the acquisition and management of the firm's financial resources. Topics include working capital management, capital budgeting, and internal and external financing decisions. May not be counted as an MBA elective course. This course does not earn graduate degree credit. Prerequisite: B A 5301.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Exclude from Graduate GPA, Leveling
Grade Mode: Leveling/Assistantships

FIN 5322. Investment Analysis.
This course provides an introduction to the basic concepts of investments and investment management. It is designed to develop a framework within which to view the investment process in a global environment and an understanding of the institutional setting in which investment decisions are made. Prerequisite: B A 5352 with a grade of "C" or better.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Examination of economic incentives and rationale for multinational firms, exchange rate risk exposure and management, investment decision strategy, and the general economic impact of multinational firm activity. Prerequisite: B A 5352 with a grade of "C" or better. (MULT).
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Multicultural Content
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Examination of economic incentives and rationale for international investment and financing. Topics include exchange rate risk exposure and management, global debt and equity investment and financing, foreign currency derivative markets, and general investment and financing strategy in global capital market. Prerequisite: B A 5352 with a grade of "C" or better. (MULT).
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Multicultural Content
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

FIN 5347C. Real Estate Investment.
An application of capital budgeting to real estate investment decisions. Prerequisite: FIN 5387 with a grade of "C" or better.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Topics
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

FIN 5378. Managerial Finance.
Concentrates on the finance function, analysis and budgeting of funds, management of current assets, short and intermediate-term financing requirements, long-term debt policy and capital structure, capital budgeting, and the concept of cost of capital. Risk and return trade-offs also are studied. Prerequisite: B A 5352 all with a grade of "C" or better.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

FIN 5395. Independent Study in Finance.
An in-depth study of a single topic or related problem solved through finance research. The course may be repeated once if the topic studied is different. Prerequisite: Consent of instructor and Department Chair.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

This course is designed to provide students with an overview of the strategies for creating and managing portfolios. At the end of this course, students should understand the tools for investment management. Topics covered include portfolio construction and analysis, risk analysis, asset class management, derivatives, and portfolio performance analysis. Prerequisite: FIN 5322 with a grade of "C" or better.
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

FIN 5337. International Finance.
Examination of economic incentives and rationale for multinational firms, exchange rate risk exposure and management, investment decision strategy, and the general economic impact of multinational firm activity. Prerequisite: B A 5352 with a grade of "C" or better. (MULT).
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Multicultural Content
Grade Mode: Standard Letter