

# BBA Finance Concentration

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## The Bachelor's Degree

The goal of the B.B.A. with a finance concentration is to develop knowledge and skills that are relevant in public, for-profit, or non-profit organizations required for the optimization of monetary resources. This concentration's main goal is to develop competencies that will prepare students for success in diverse roles in finance such as financial manager or analyst. Specific degree objectives are to enable students to develop:

1. an understanding of risk management, financial policy, banking and financial markets.
2. the ability to analyze capital budgeting, investment decisions, capital structure, capital acquisition, and asset pricing.
3. skills in financial statement analysis and ratio analysis.
4. skills in analysis of specific investment securities and portfolio management.

## Advising

New students must contact the department for initial advising to plan a program of study that satisfies degree requirements and reflects their interests. Students are also required to access the Degree Audit System throughout their college career to verify that degree requirements are being met.

The College of Business and Management and the University of Illinois Springfield have a team of advisors ready to assist students in achieving their academic and career preparation goals. Advising services are customized based on the level and location of the student. Refer to the Undergraduate **Academic Advising - College of Business and Management** for resources to help you succeed in achieving your academic goals. CBM strictly enforces prerequisites.

## Grading Policy

This program has minimum grade requirements as noted and outlined below. For questions related to the grading policy, please contact your advisor.

## Requirements

All majors in the College of Business and Management require foundation knowledge in accounting, economics, and statistics. UIS courses that satisfy the foundation knowledge requirements include:

### Foundation requirements <sup>1</sup>

ACC 211 & ACC 212	Introduction to Financial Accounting and Introduction to Managerial Accounting	6
OR		
ACC 311	Administrative Uses of Accounting <sup>2</sup>	4

ECO 213	Statistics for Business and Economics	3
or MAT 121	Applied Statistics	
ECO 201 & ECO 202	Introduction to Microeconomics and Introduction to Macroeconomics	6
OR		

ECO 315	Economics for Administration <sup>2</sup>	4
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Course work equivalent to the above may be accepted upon approval by the student's advisor and the College of Business and Management by a student petition.

### College Core <sup>3</sup>

The college core is required of all undergraduate College of Business and Management students.

BUS 312	Principles of Marketing	3
BUS 322	Principles of Operations Management	3
BUS 331	ECCE: Business, Ethics, and Society	3
FIN 302	Principles of Financial Management	3
MGT 310	Managing Organizational Behavior	3
MGT 330	Business and Managerial Communication	3
MGT 488	Strategic Management: The Capstone <sup>4</sup>	3
MIS 352	Principles of Management Information Systems	3
MIS 376	Business Analytics	3

### Finance Concentration Requirements <sup>5</sup>

ECO 335	Money, Banking, and Financial Markets	3
FIN 443	Financial Investment Analysis	3
FIN 444	Intermediate Financial Management	3

Select two of the following finance-related electives (or other BUS/ ECO/FIN/ACC electives approved by the program):

ACC 443	Federal Income Taxation	
ECO 431	Financial Economics	
ECO 435	Theory of Finance and Applications	
ECO 447	International Trade and Finance	
ECO 456	Public Finance	
ECO 437	Securities Markets	
FIN 440	Topics in Finance	
FIN 445	Financial Institution Management	

**Total Hours** **53-57**

Engaged Citizenship Common Experience (ECCE) <sup>6</sup> 10

<sup>1</sup> Student must earn a minimum grade of C- in **ALL** foundation courses and a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 across all foundation courses.

<sup>2</sup> Junior or senior standing required to enroll in ECO 315 and ECO 315

<sup>3</sup> Students must earn a minimum of C- in **ALL** college core courses (EXCEPT MGT 488) and a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 across all college core courses. A minimum grade of C (2.0) is required in MGT 488 (a grade of C- or lower will not be accepted).

<sup>4</sup> Prerequisite: All college core courses, and within 12 hours of graduation or during the student's last semester.

<sup>5</sup> College Core and ECCE courses may not be used to fulfill these requirements

- Earn a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.00 across all courses required for the major.

<sup>6</sup> The BBA: Finance degree requires a minimum of three hours of internship course work consisting of an individualized field experience (IPL 300) or an individual project (IPL 301). Students are encouraged to complete six hours of Internship. Internship hours will be used to fulfill the Engagement Experience ECCE category. Students must complete course work in at least one of the other ECCE categories including U.S. Communities and Global Awareness. The one hour UNI 301 Speaker Series course fulfills the last hour of the ECCE requirement (10 Total ECCE hours required).

- Only in exceptional cases, using a **Student Petition**, with appropriate College of Business and Management approvals, students may request to waive the three-hour internship requirement and substitute an alternative ECCE course.

Credit for Prior Learning (IPL 305) may not be used by College of Business and Management students to fulfill degree requirements.