FINANCE (FIN)

Subject-area course lists indicate courses currently active for offering at the University of Louisville. Not all courses are scheduled in any given academic term. For class offerings in a specific semester, refer to the Schedule of Classes (http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm).

500-level courses generally are included in both the undergraduate- and graduate-level course listings; however, specific course/section offerings may vary between semesters. Students are responsible for ensuring that they enroll in courses that are applicable to their particular academic programs.

Course Fees

Some courses may carry fees beyond the standard tuition costs to cover additional support or materials. Program-, subject- and course-specific fee information can be found on the Office of the Bursar website (https://louisville.edu/bursar/tuitionfee/university-fees/).

FIN 200. Elements of Finance 1.5 Units
Prerequisite(s): ACCT 200.
Fee: An additional $15.00 is charged for this course.
Description: This is an introduction to financial tools for running a business. Topics include financial statements and performance measures, the operating cycle of a business, cash budgeting, managing working capital, time value of money, capital expenditures, sources and cost of funds, debt, risk, and financial distress.
Note: This course is not open to College of Business students.

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FIN 201. Money Management and Personal Finance 3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer
Fee: An additional $30.00 is charged for this course.
Description: This course offers an in-depth exploration of corporate financial decision-making. Decision-making techniques that enable firms to efficiently manage their resources and maximize the value of their owners' investment are presented and discussed. The course includes some calculator and spreadsheet problem solving. Course is restricted to students registered in the BBA Program.
Note: Credit toward degree requirements will only be given to BBA majors.

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FIN 301. Corporate Finance 3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer
Prerequisite(s): ACCT 201; ECON 201; and one of the following: BSTA 301, BSTA 201, MATH 109, PSYC 301, SOC 301, MGMT 201 or equivalent.
Fee: An additional $30.00 is charged for this course.
Description: Prerequisites or corequisites: CIS 305. A study of techniques that enable firms to efficiently manage their financial resources and maximize the value of their owners’ investment. Investment techniques and analysis applied to the individual as well as to the firm. Computer and calculator problem solving.
Note: Restricted to students admitted to COB BSBA majors and FIN minors.

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FIN 302. Business Finance 3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer
Prerequisite(s): ACCT 201 or ACCT 202 or ACCT 203; ECON 201; BSTA 201 or BSTA 301; CIS 100 or CIS 250 or CIS 305.
Fee: An additional $30.00 is charged for this course.
Description: Restricted to BBA majors only. A study of business financial decision-making. Decision-making techniques that enable firms to efficiently manage their resources and maximize the value of their owner’s investment are presented and discussed. The course includes some calculator and spreadsheet problem solving. Course is restricted to students registered in the BBA Program.
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FIN 304. Intermediate Corporate Finance 3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer
Prerequisite(s): FIN 301.
Fee: An additional $30.00 is charged for this course.
Description: This course offers an in-depth exploration of corporate finance concepts and applications with the objective of assessing the shareholder value created by a firm's operation and financing decisions. Major topics include discounted cash flow analysis, capital budgeting decisions, project analysis with and without real options, sources of economic rents and sustained growth opportunities, risk/return relationships, and capital structure decisions and their effect on the corporate risk-adjusted cost of capital. Other topics may include leasing, corporate risk management, corporate government and restructuring.

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FIN 310. Financial Modeling 3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Fall, Spring
Prerequisite(s): FIN 301; restricted to COB BSBA majors and FIN minors.
Fee: An additional $30.00 is charged for this course.
Description: An introduction to computational finance, the emphasis is on using real data in empirically modeling theoretical concepts from other finance courses using Microsoft Excel. Models covered will include those related to bond valuation, option pricing, the capital asset pricing model, and portfolio theory. Other models may also be covered. The course includes some use of statistics and probability.

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FIN 311. Financial Technology 3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Fall, Spring
Prerequisite(s): FIN 301; restricted to students admitted to COB BSBA majors and FIN minors.
Fee: An additional $30.00 is charged for this course.
Description: The primary emphasis of the course is to provide students with a broad introduction to Financial Technology and how it plays a role in the field of Finance. The course will cover financial technology growth, regulation, impact, robo-advising, cryptocurrency, crowdfunding, and the effect of artificial intelligence and machine learning on the finance industry.
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FIN 320. Real Estate Finance and Investments 3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Fall, Spring
Prerequisite(s): FIN 301 or FIN 302 The course will study the instruments, techniques, and institutions of real estate finance; sources of funds; and mortgage risk analysis.
Fee: An additional $30.00 is charged for this course.
Description: It will include emphasis on typical policies and procedures use in the financing of residential, industrial, and commercial properties. The course will also include quantitative techniques for analyzing and valuing investments in real estate, including the effects of financial leveraging and taxation. Real estate securitization will also be covered, including REITS and the secondary mortgage market.
Note: This is a required course for the Real Estate Minor offered by the Finance Department.
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FIN 323. Real Estate Law 1.5 Units
Term Typically Offered: Fall, Spring
Prerequisite(s): Admission into the College of Business or accepted as a Real Estate Minor.
Fee: An additional $15.00 is charged for this course.
Description: This course will examine how law impacts real estate, its ownership, conveyance, and development. Topical coverage will include legal issues in: (i) ownership interests and ownership transfers; (ii) private and public land use; (iii) environmental laws and regulation; (iv) leasing and landlord-tenant relations; and (v) the legal process/flow in real estate development, finance, construction, and transactions. This is a 1.5 credit-hour course.
Note: This is a required course for the Real Estate Minor offered by the Finance Department.
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FIN 330. Banking and Financial Administration 3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Occasional
Prerequisite(s): FIN 301.
Fee: An additional $30.00 is charged for this course.
Description: A study of the management of internal operations of financial institutions, especially commercial banks, but including other savings institutions and insurance companies. The operations of the institutions are examined in light of trends and developments in the financial community. Included are topics such as expansion via bank holding companies or branching, portfolio management of loans, marketable securities and liabilities, and legal or regulatory constraints.
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FIN 345. Entrepreneurial Finance 3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Fall, Spring
Prerequisite(s): FIN 301.
Fee: An additional $30.00 is charged for this course.
Description: The focus is on financing issues facing new, young, and small business ventures. Topics include financial statements, financial forecasts, venture valuation, sources and forms of venture capital and negotiations between owners and suppliers of funds.
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FIN 350. Risk and Insurance 3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Fall, Spring
Prerequisite(s): FIN 301.
Fee: An additional $30.00 is charged for this course.
Description: Designed for understanding the importance of risk management in personal and business affairs, the different methods of handling risks that are insurable, and risks that are not insurable. A portion of this course is devoted to the analysis and solution of risk situations.
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FIN 360. Business Valuation 3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Occasional
Prerequisite(s): FIN 301.
Fee: An additional $30.00 is charged for this course.
Description: The study of techniques and methodologies that enable the determination of value for business entities. Includes discussion of professional standards of business valuation.
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FIN 370. International Finance 3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer
Prerequisite(s): FIN 301.
Fee: An additional $30.00 is charged for this course.
Description: A study of corporate finance within an international context. Discusses exchange rates, parity conditions, capital flows, and international banking. Examines the financing strategies and capital budgeting techniques of multinational corporations.
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FIN 380. Introduction to Econometrics    3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Occasionally Offered
Prerequisite(s): ECON 201, ECON 202, and one of the following:
BSA 201, IE 360, MATH 109, PHST 302, POLS 390, PSYC 301, or SOC 301
A study of the theory and application of econometric analysis.
Fee: An additional $30.00 is charged for this course.
Description: Topics include simple and multiple linear regression,
correlation, and hypothesis testing. Both conceptual and practical
problems are considered, including multicollinearity, heteroscedasticity,
measurement errors, and instrumental variables estimation. An
introduction to time series econometrics is presented as well as binary
discrete choice models.
Note: Cross-listed with ECON 380.

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FIN 396. Zero-Credit Internship-Finance    0 Units
Grading Basis: Pass/Fail
Term Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer
Prerequisite(s): FIN 301, good academic standing, and validation through
the Ulmer Career Management Center.
Fee: An additional $10.00 is charged for this course.
Description: Application to the zero-credit internship program and
completion of orientation processes should be accomplished prior
to employment. Students must be Finance majors. A new workplace
experience in an approved Finance position which offers a progression
of learning in a level appropriate opportunity for practical application of
classroom theory and tools. This program is available to students who
have received the maximum number of co-op credit hours for their major.
Note: This course is restricted and requires permission from the Ulmer
Career Management Center.

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FIN 397. Co-op in Finance I    1-3 Units
Grading Basis: Pass/Fail
Term Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer
Prerequisite(s): FIN 301 or FIN 302, good academic standing, validation
from the Ulmer Career Center.
Description: FIN majors or Real Estate Minors only. Application to the
coop program and completion of orientation processes should be
completed prior to employment. Finance majors or Real Estate Minors
only. A new workplace experience in an approved Finance position which
offers a progression of learning in a level-appropriate opportunity for
practical application of classroom theory and tools.
Course Attribute(s): CBL - This course includes Community-Based
Learning (CBL). Students will engage in a community experience or
project with an external partner in order to enhance understanding and
application of academic content.

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FIN 398. Co-op in Finance II    1-3 Units
Grading Basis: Pass/Fail
Term Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer
Prerequisite(s): FIN 301 or FIN 302, good academic standing, validation
from the Ulmer Career Center.
Description: FIN Majors or Real Estate Minors only. A new or continued
workplace experience in an approved Finance position which offers new
learning and/or additional responsibilities that continue the student’s
progression of learning and opportunity for practical application of
classroom theory and tools. FIN Majors or Real Estate Minors only.
Course Attribute(s): CBL - This course includes Community-Based
Learning (CBL). Students will engage in a community experience or
project with an external partner in order to enhance understanding and
application of academic content.

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FIN 399. Co-op in Finance III    3 Units
Grading Basis: Pass/Fail
Term Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer
Prerequisite(s): FIN 301, good academic standing, validation from the
Ulmer Career Center.
Description: FIN majors only. A continued or new workplace experience in
an approved Finance position which offers new learning and/or additional
responsibilities that continue the student’s progression of learning and
tooling for practical application of classroom theory and tools.
Course Attribute(s): CBL - This course includes Community-Based
Learning (CBL). Students will engage in a community experience or
project with an external partner in order to enhance understanding and
application of academic content.

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FIN 401. Investments    3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer
Prerequisite(s): FIN 301; MATH 180 or MATH 205 or equivalent.
Fee: An additional $30.00 is charged for this course.
Description: Introduction to the various investment alternatives available
to the individual investor. Covers: sources of information; the securities
markets in the United States; policies of investment companies and
institutions; the problems and procedures of investment risks and
investment analysis.

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<td>FIN 402</td>
<td>Security Analysis and Portfolio Management</td>
<td>1.5</td>
<td>Fall, Spring</td>
<td>FIN 301; MATH 180 or MATH 205 or equivalent.</td>
<td>An additional $30.00 is charged for this course.</td>
<td>This course is designed to provide students with insight into the decision-making process in the financial industry. It covers the principles and methods of security analysis and portfolio management. Emphasis is placed on the application of investment principles to investment policy. The course includes the valuation of assets, risk management, and portfolio optimization.</td>
<td>Requires permission of the department chair of the finance department.</td>
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<td>FIN 403</td>
<td>Financial Derivatives</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Fall, Spring</td>
<td>FIN 301; MATH 180 or MATH 205 or equivalent.</td>
<td>An additional $30.00 is charged for this course.</td>
<td>This course introduces students to financial derivative contracts such as forwards, futures, swaps, and options. It covers valuation and pricing models for these contracts, proper ways to use these contracts for risk management, and hedging strategies in banks and financial institutions.</td>
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<td>FIN 404</td>
<td>Equine Financial Management</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Fall Only</td>
<td>FIN 301.</td>
<td>An additional $30.00 is charged for this course.</td>
<td>This course provides a study of financial institutions such as banks and financial instruments and markets such as the stock, bond, and money markets. It covers macro-economic concepts such as interest rate determination and the role of the Federal Reserve with asset valuation and the movement of capital in the financial marketplace.</td>
<td>Cross-listed with EQIN 403.</td>
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<td>FIN 405</td>
<td>Securities Broker and Financial Industry Preparation</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Occasionally Offered</td>
<td>FIN 401.</td>
<td>An additional $30.00 is charged for this course.</td>
<td>This course is designed to provide students with insight into the connection between the real financial industry world and theory. It provides insight into the actual practice of analyzing, selling and trading financial products and prepares student to take the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) Series 7 general securities licensing examination.</td>
<td>Cross-listed with ECON 401.</td>
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<td>FIN 414</td>
<td>Applied Financial Econometrics</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Occasionally Offered</td>
<td>Math 180 or Math 205, and FIN 301.</td>
<td>An additional $30.00 is charged for this course.</td>
<td>This course provides a study of financial institutions such as banks and financial instruments and markets such as the stock, bond, money and mortgage markets. The course integrates macro-economic concepts such as interest rate determination and the role of the Federal Reserve with asset valuation and the movement of capital in the financial marketplace.</td>
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<td>FIN 415</td>
<td>Capital Budgeting</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Fall, Spring</td>
<td>FIN 301.</td>
<td>An additional $30.00 is charged for this course.</td>
<td>This course will cover both the real estate development process and subsequent management. It includes application of investment principles to investment policy. The course includes risk management, building maintenance, and tenant relations.</td>
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<td>FIN 422</td>
<td>Real Estate Development and Management</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Fall, Spring</td>
<td>FIN 301 or FIN 302 Prerequisites or corequisites: FIN 320.</td>
<td>An additional $30.00 is charged for this course.</td>
<td>This course will cover both the real estate development process and subsequent management. It includes application of investment principles to investment policy. The course includes risk management, building maintenance, and tenant relations.</td>
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<td>FIN 433</td>
<td>Financial Markets and Institutions</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Fall, Spring</td>
<td>FIN 301 or FIN 302; or faculty consent.</td>
<td>An additional $30.00 is charged for this course.</td>
<td>This course covers real estate development and management. It includes application of investment principles to investment policy. The course includes risk management, building maintenance, and tenant relations.</td>
<td>Cross-listed with ECON 433.</td>
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FIN 475. Capstone Seminar in Finance - CUE  
Term TypicallyOffered: Fall, Spring  
Prerequisite(s): FIN 304 and FIN 401.  
Fee: An additional $30.00 is charged for this course.  
Description: A senior level capstone course which will integrate financial concepts and theory to solve and apply to real work problems.  
Note: No exceptions will be made to the prerequisite requirements.  
Course Attribute(s): CUE - This course fulfills the Culminating Undergraduate Experience (CUE) requirement for certain degree programs. CUE courses are advanced-level courses intended for majors with at least 90 earned credits/senior-level status.

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FIN 490. Special Topics in Finance  
Term Typically Offered: Fall, Spring  
Fee: An additional $30.00 is charged for this course.  
Description: A variety of topics in financial theory and/or application will be studied. Course content will vary but the content will not duplicate current offerings. A student may repeat this course for credit as long as the particular topic is different.  
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FIN 491. Special Topics in Economics and Finance  
Term Typically Offered: Fall, Spring  
Description: Topics of current importance to students of economics and finance will be studied. Content of course will vary but will not duplicate current offerings. This course may be repeated for credit as long as content or topics were not already covered by the student in this course.  
Note: Cross-listed with ECON 491.

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FIN 499. Independent Study in Finance  
Term Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer  
Fee: An additional $30.00 is charged for this course.  
Description: Written proposal must be sponsored by at least one faculty member and approved by the Department Chair.  
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FIN 500. Business Finance  
Term Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer  
Fee: An additional $30.00 is charged for this course.  
Description: An introduction to financial concepts from the corporate perspective. Topics include the basics of financial statements, an overview of the financial markets, risk and return, the time value of money, security valuation using time value concepts, cash flow determination and valuation, and long-term capital investment.  
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