

# FINANCE MINOR

Department of Business Management (<https://catalog.washcoll.edu/catalog/departments-programs/business-management/>)  
Division of Social Sciences

Students pursuing the Finance Minor learn how to make the financial decisions critical to the sustainability of corporations. The acquisition of foundational knowledge related to the financial analysis of firms as well as an understanding of risk and return allows students to pursue advanced finance concepts both from the internal view of the corporation informing the study of financial policies and the external evaluation and assessment of firms needed for making meaningful investment decisions. Students examine business ethics as it pertains to finance. The minor can be combined with the Business Management major (<https://catalog.washcoll.edu/catalog/departments-programs/business-management/business-management-major/>) for intensive coverage of this field. It can also be taken as a stand-alone minor for students majoring in other disciplines.

Given the on-going digital transformation of business, students planning to pursue careers in finance are also encouraged to minor in either Data Analytics or Information Systems, and take BUS 316 Data Analytics to prepare for future work with analytical tools.

While internships are not required for the minor and do not count for the minor, they are strongly encouraged. Information regarding earning academic credit for internships may be found in the Business Management section of the catalog.

This minor is designed to prepare students for employment or further study at the graduate level. Students interested in pursuing graduate study are encouraged to contact Prof. Tsai regarding our partnership with the University of Maryland master's programs in Finance and Quantitative Finance.

Students may be interested in the Brown Advisory Student Managed Investment Fund Program (<https://catalog.washcoll.edu/catalog/academic-resources/brown-advisory-student-managed-investment-fund-program/>)

Code	Title	Credits	Notes
<b>Core Courses</b>		<b>16</b>	
ECN 111 or ECN 112	Principles of Macroeconomics Principles of Microeconomics		
BUS 109 or ECN 215	Managerial Statistics (or equivalent course) Data Analysis I		
BUS 112	Intro to Financial Accounting		
BUS 209	Financial Analysis		
<b>Electives</b>		<b>16</b>	
Select four of the following (at least three must be BUS courses):			
BUS 355	Corporate Finance		
BUS 356	Multinational Financial Management		
BUS 357	Intro to Quantitative Finance		
BUS 440	Investments		
BUS 455	Financial Derivatives		
ECN 314	Money and Banking		
ECN 320	Econometrics		
ECN 411	International Finance		
Special topic elective courses, with the approval of the Director			
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>32</b>	

With the prior permission of the Finance Minor Director or the Business Management Department Chair, relevant special topic courses from other WC subjects or courses taken at study-abroad partners may be counted for the minor. See the catalog entry for the Business Management major (<https://catalog.washcoll.edu/catalog/departments-programs/business-management/business-management-major/>) for more information regarding study-abroad partners offering business-related courses.

Students pursuing the Finance Minor along with the International Business Minor and/or the International Economics minor may count two courses towards both or all three minors.

Hui-Ju Tsai, Director

## Major

- Business Management Major (<https://catalog.washcoll.edu/catalog/departments-programs/business-management/business-management-major/>)

## Minor

- Accounting Minor (<https://catalog.washcoll.edu/catalog/departments-programs/business-management/accounting-minor/>)
- Arts Management Entrepreneurship Minor (<https://catalog.washcoll.edu/catalog/interdisciplinary/arts-management-entrepreneurship-minor/>)
- Business Management Minor (<https://catalog.washcoll.edu/catalog/departments-programs/business-management/business-management-minor/>)
- Data Analytics Minor (<https://catalog.washcoll.edu/catalog/interdisciplinary/data-analytics-minor/>)
- Entrepreneurship Minor (<https://catalog.washcoll.edu/catalog/departments-programs/business-management/entrepreneurship-minor/>)
- Finance Minor (p. 1)
- Information Systems Minor (<https://catalog.washcoll.edu/catalog/interdisciplinary/information-systems-minor/>)
- International Business Minor (<https://catalog.washcoll.edu/catalog/departments-programs/business-management/international-business-minor/>)
- Marketing Minor (<https://catalog.washcoll.edu/catalog/departments-programs/business-management/marketing-minor/>)

## Certificate

- Secondary Education Certification Program (<https://catalog.washcoll.edu/catalog/departments-programs/education/secondary-education-certification-program/>)