MASON’S
FINANCE CONCENTRATION

The volatility of today’s financial markets continues to warrant the need for highly qualified individuals in the finance field.

Skills Developed Include

- Being a team player
- Information gathering
- Persuasion
- Analytical abilities
- Initiative
- Interpersonal communication
- Problem-solving
- Strategic thinking
- Negotiation
- Being detail-oriented

Highlights

- Apply for scholarships designated for finance students
- Take an internship for course credit
- Study abroad to gain global perspective
- Work at the George Mason University Student Managed Investment Fund
- Get involved with finance or business student organizations such as the Financial Management Association, the Mason Investment Club, and Delta Sigma Pi

Business Concentrations
FINANCE
Are You All about the Numbers?

The area of finance is diverse, encompassing concepts and techniques used by individuals, businesses, and government agencies in making decisions about acquiring and investing funds.

As a finance concentration student, you will learn

- Asset valuation
- Initial public offerings
- Stock portfolio management
- Analyzing financial statements
- Dividend policy
- Risk analysis and management
- Financial market regulation
- International diversification
- Capital budgeting
- Financial regulations

CAREERS IN FINANCE

Finance professionals find a diverse job market awaiting them with career options in

- Corporate and public finance
- Investment banking
- Commercial banks and credit unions
- Mutual funds
- Portfolio management
- Venture capital
- Trading
- Personal finance banking
- Federal and state government regulatory agencies such as the Federal Reserve Board, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, and the U.S. Department of the Treasury

Careers that a finance concentration can help you launch include

- Account Analyst
- Bank Examiner
- Broker/Dealer
- Budget Analyst
- Business Consultant
- Commercial Lender
- Comptroller
- Credit Analyst
- Financial Analyst
- Financial Examiner
- Financial Manager
- Financial Planner
- Insurance Adjuster
- International Advisor
- Mortgage Broker
- Personal Financial Advisor
- Portfolio Manager
- Purchasing Agent
- Risk Manager

FINANCE DIRECTOR, PORTFOLIO MANAGER SPECIALIST, AND CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER ARE ALL RANKED AMONG THE “BEST JOBS IN AMERICA.”

—CNN Money (2017)

“RISK COMES FROM NOT KNOWING WHAT YOU’RE DOING.”

—Warren Buffett