

Executive MS in Finance

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Managing financial aspects of business is becoming increasingly complex. Financial executives must constantly cope with new products and services, sources and uses of funds, interconnected global financial markets, and highly sophisticated tools of risk management. The Executive MS in Finance, offered by the Zicklin School of Business, is a highly focused program designed to produce professionals who are capable of understanding and utilizing the sophisticated skills and analytical tools essential for success in today's complicated world of finance.

This innovative program blends advanced financial theory with a wide range of complex financial management problems. This combination of theory with real-world business applications provides professionals with a critical strategic advantage needed for success in the 21st century.

The Executive MS in Finance is designed for those pursuing a career in the field of finance. It provides financial executives with:

- cutting-edge financial theories and concepts,
- state-of-the-art analytical tools, and
- the judgment to apply and innovatively adapt these concepts and tools effectively.

Program learning is enhanced by small class size, with emphasis on group work. Students work closely with faculty and peers rich in professional experience. Taking required courses together as a cohort further intensifies the learning experience.

The one-year, ten-course, 30-credit full-time program is designed for cohort groups of working professionals. Classes are scheduled on Saturdays and one evening a week. The program of study is divided into three 13-week trimesters. An integral part of the program is a required one-week international study tour between the second and third trimesters of the program. Accommodations, international transportation, and most needs during the study tour are included in the cost of the program.

Curriculum

The program emphasizes real-life decision situations. Foundation courses in investments provide fundamental knowledge of such areas as security valuation, portfolio theory, financial engineering, and the analysis of financial statements. Foundation courses in corporate finance focus on capital budgeting, sources of financing, risk management, and mergers and acquisitions. Courses in options and international financial markets provide executives with the ability to analyze derivative securities and to use them in a variety of contexts, such as foreign exchange markets. A course exploring quantitative tools familiarizes executives with techniques of statistical analysis and financial databases.

Advanced courses are delivered in a modular structure. These modules provide executives with a series of virtual apprenticeships. Enhancing real-time applicability of classroom instruction and materials are presentations by executives drawn from diverse corporations and industry sectors.

Core Courses (Required)	
FIN 9771	Corporate Financial Theory and Applications
FIN 9772	Quantitative Tools for Finance
FIN 9773	Investment Theory and Applications
FIN 9798	Analysis of Industrial Securities
	or
ECO 9705	Managerial Economics
Elective Courses Six advanced courses will be selected by the Department of Economics and Finance from the following list:	
FIN 9759	Mergers and Acquisitions
FIN 9782	Futures and Forward Markets
FIN 9786	International Financial Markets
FIN 9788	International Corporate Finance

FIN 9790	Seminar in Finance
FIN 9792	Advanced Managerial Finance
FIN 9793	Advanced Investment Analysis
FIN 9797	Options Markets
FIN 9799	Analysis of Municipal and State Securities
FIN 9983	Selected Topics in Investments
CIS 9555	Information Technology in Financial Markets
ECO 9714	Public Finance I
ECO 9715	Public Finance II
INS 9720	Risk Management and Control

Admission

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