



Rice Undergraduate Business Major Program Finance Concentration

With a robust foundation in leadership and business fundamentals — including accounting, finance, marketing, organizational behavior, strategy and communications — students who complete the business major will solve an array of problems affecting individuals, organizations and society at large.

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Our finance concentration will help you acquire knowledge, research and analytical skills to solve a wide variety of corporate finance and investment problems, such as analyzing a company or an investment's performance and valuing real and financial assets. When you graduate, you will have developed the critical thinking and analytical skills required to apply theory to practice, and will know how to communicate effectively in the field of business.

BUSINESS FOUNDATION COURSES

- BUSI 395 Data Analytics **or**
STAT 310 Probability and Statistics **or**
STAT 315 Probability and Statistics for Data Science
- ECON 100 Principles of Economics **or** BUSI 150
Economics for Business
- MATH 101 Single Variable Calculus I **or**
MATH 105 AP/OTH Credit in Calculus I

BUSINESS CORE REQUIREMENTS

- BUSI 305 Financial Accounting
- BUSI 310 Leading People in Organizations
- BUSI 343 Financial Management **or** ECON 343
Corporate Finance
- BUSI 396 Business Communication

Select four courses from the following:

- BUSI 374 Operations Management
- BUSI 380 Marketing
- BUSI 390 Strategic Management
- BUSI 430 Management Accounting
- ECON 200 Microeconomics

FINANCE MAJOR CORE REQUIREMENTS

- BUSI 401 Financial Statement Analysis
- BUSI 447 Advanced Corporate Finance
- BUSI 448 Investments
- BUSI 450 Derivatives

FINANCE MAJOR ELECTIVE REQUIREMENTS

Select one course from the following:

- BUSI 420 Leadership and Teams
- BUSI 421 Power, Influence and Organizational Change
- BUSI 422 Negotiations and Decision Making
- BUSI 431 Advanced Strategic Management
- BUSI 432 Business and Society
- BUSI 433 Technology and Innovation Strategy
- BUSI 480 Marketing Analytics
- ECON 203 Macroeconomics
- ECON 209 Applied Econometrics
- ECON 300 Game Theory for ECON Majors
- ECON 305 Game Theory for MTEC Majors

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FINANCE MAJOR CONCENTRATION — SAMPLE DEGREE PLAN

	FALL SEMESTER	SPRING SEMESTER
FRESHMAN YEAR	15 CREDIT HOURS ECON 100 Principles of Economics (3) MATH 101 / MATH 105 (3) BUSI 305 Financial Accounting or BUSI 310 Leading People in Organizations (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)	16 CREDIT HOURS BUSI 305 Financial Accounting or BUSI 310 Leading People in Organizations (3) BUSI 395 Data Analytics (4) Elective (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)
SOPHOMORE YEAR	15 CREDIT HOURS BUSI 343 Financial Management (3) BUSI 390 Strategic Management (3) BUSI 396 Business Communication (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)	16 CREDIT HOURS BUSI 380 Marketing (3) BUSI 447 Advanced Corporate Finance (4) Elective (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)
JUNIOR YEAR	15-16 CREDIT HOURS BUSI 401 Financial Statement Analysis (4) Elective or Business Elective (3-4) Elective (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)	15 CREDIT HOURS BUSI 374 Operations Management (3) BUSI 430 Management Accounting (3) Elective (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)
SENIOR YEAR	15 CREDIT HOURS BUSI 450 Derivatives (3) Elective (3) Elective (3) Elective (3) Elective (3)	12-13 CREDIT HOURS BUSI 448 Investments (3) Elective or Business Elective (4) Elective (3) Elective (3)

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Can I use transfer credit or AP credit for ECON 100?

No substitution or transfer credit (including exams such as advanced placement (AP)/international baccalaureate (IB)/A-Level credit) is allowed for ECON 100. It must be taken at Rice.

Can I take STAT 180/STAT 280 to meet the statistics requirement for the business major?

You cannot take STAT 280 to meet the statistics requirement for the business major. This will only meet requirements for the minor.

How many transfer credits can count towards the Business major?

Requests for transfer credit must be approved for Rice equivalency by the designated transfer credit advisor, but no more than three courses (nine credit hours) of transfer credit from U.S. or international universities of similar standing as Rice may apply toward the major.



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