FINANCE - MINOR

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Description

The Finance minor allows students to gain some familiarity with financial management, as well as with the financial system of institutions and markets in which firms must operate. Some knowledge of finance is necessary to understand and work in most businesses and organizations. Profits and value creation are the “bottom lines” to which companies direct their efforts. Some acquaintance with investment techniques may help students in managing their personal finances.

The Finance minor is particularly useful for business students in other majors who take the requisite courses, and for other students who desire to acquire some understanding of finance without having to take all the core business school requisites. Both groups are exposed to important fundamentals, yet they also will have the flexibility to consider several areas of finance.

Admission Requirements

Admission to a minor is open to students declared in a bachelor’s degree, the A.A.B. or A.A.S. degree or the A.T.S. degree (not Individualized Program major). Students declared only in the A.A. or A.S. degree or the A.T.S. degree in Individualized Program may not declare a minor. Students may not pursue a minor and a major in the same discipline.

To declare the Finance minor, students must have a minimum 2.500 overall Kent State University GPA (effective spring 2022, a minimum 2.000 overall GPA will be required). No Kent State University GPA is required if the student is a first-semester freshman or transfer student admitted in good standing.

Progression Requirements

- Minimum 2.000 overall GPA
- Minimum C grade in FIN 26085 and FIN 36053.

Graduation Requirements

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- A minimum C grade may be required in some courses.
- Minimum 6 credit hours in the minor must be upper-division coursework (30000 and 40000 level).
- Minimum 6 credit hours in the minor must be outside of the course requirements for any major or other minor the student is pursuing.
- Minimum 50 percent of the total credit hours for the minor must be taken at Kent State (in residence).

Program Requirements

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Minor Electives, choose from the following:

- FIN 36051 | THE FINANCIAL SYSTEM
- FIN 36054 | INTERMEDIATE CORPORATE FINANCE
- FIN 36059 | INTERMEDIATE INVESTMENTS
- FIN 36061 | PRINCIPLES OF REAL ESTATE
- FIN 36072 | LAW OF COMMERCIAL TRANSACTIONS
- FIN 36081 | PRINCIPLES OF INSURANCE
- FIN 36085 | ADVANCED FINANCIAL MODELING
- FIN 46054 | FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT
- FIN 46055 | ADVANCED DERIVATIVE SECURITIES
- FIN 46056 | ADVANCED FIXED INCOME MANAGEMENT
- FIN 46061 | REAL ESTATE FINANCE
- FIN 46064 | INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS FINANCE
- FIN 46067 | ADVANCED PORTFOLIO ANALYSIS
- FIN 46068 | COMMERCIAL BANK MANAGEMENT
- FIN 46070 | ADVANCED COMMERCIAL BANK MANAGEMENT
- FIN 46089 | INTERNATIONAL FINANCE EXPERIENCE (ELR)
- FIN 46192 | INTERNSHIP IN FINANCE (ELR)

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 25