



FINANCE

HONOURS IN FINANCE

The School of Accounting, Economics and Finance offers a Finance Honours Programme on both the Pietermaritzburg and Westville Campuses. This Programme is designed to advance students from a broad theoretical knowledge of Financial theory to an in-depth understanding of applied Financial principles. Extensive use of seminars, case studies and practical exercises allows students to master the practical implementation of financial concepts and models in real-life situations. In addition, the use of seminars rather than lectures as the primary mode of learning helps students to master the important skills of researching and presenting technically challenging financial topics. The Programme provides students with a rigorous grounding for a career in Investment Banking, Stock Broking, Asset Management or Corporate Finance.

Programme structure

The Honours Programme consists of six 16-credit modules and a dissertation (32 credits). These six modules will include: four core Finance Honours modules; and two elective modules approved by the Academic Leader: Teaching and Learning.

Modules

Core

- Quantitative Methods in Finance
- Corporate Finance
- Portfolio Management
- International Business Finance
- Research Project in Finance

Elective Modules can be taken from the discipline of Economics or Management provided the student meets the entry requirements for the module in question.



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Duration

The Honours Programme in Finance extends for one year full-time or two years' part-time study.

Entrance requirements

Applicants should be in possession of an undergraduate degree with a Finance major and a minimum aggregate mark of 55% in the final year of study in Finance in order to be considered for a place in the Programme. Furthermore, Quantitative Economics must be passed with a minimum mark of 60%. The required modules and marks must be achieved in the first attempt to qualify for admission.

Achieving a 55% aggregate is the minimum requirement to be considered eligible for the Programme but does not guarantee acceptance as places may be limited in which case students will be accepted in order of academic performance.

Closing date for applications

- 20 December for the first semester of the following year
- 30 June for the second semester of the current year

Contact us

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The School of Accounting, Economics and Finance will also consider applications for Masters and PhD study by Research in the field of Finance. Prospective students may contact the School for further information.

