

# BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION: FINANCIAL PLANNING

## DEGREE REQUIREMENTS (24 UNITS)

### CATALOG YEAR 2021 - Present

\*All Finance majors must complete FIN 303 with a grade of "C" or higher grade; exception FIN 302 and FIN 336  
NOTE: CFP exam will require minimum 'C' grades for the following courses: FIN303, FIN336, FIN352, FIN440, FIN442, FIN446

#### FINANCE CORE REQUIREMENTS (6 UNITS)

**FIN 352 Investment Management (3)**  
*Prerequisites: FIN 303; BUS 302+302L for business majors; Restricted to Finance majors and minors*

#### Communication Requirement (3 units)

*Prerequisite: Completion of the lower division writing requirement*

† Preparatory: Demonstrated proficiency; Instructor consent

\*\* COMS323 or PHIL 305 available for GE

Select ONE of the following courses:

**BLAW 308 Business Law II (3)**  
*Prerequisites: BLAW 280; BUS 302+302L are pre/co-requisites for business majors*

**BLAW 368 Law, Business and Ethics (3)**

**COMS 323\*\* Group Communication (3)**

**COMS 443 Rhetoric of Business (3)**

**ENGL 305 Intermediate Expository Writing (3)**

**ENGL 306 Report Writing (3)**

**ENGL 407† Composition and the Professions (3)**

**PHIL 305\*\* Business Ethics and Public Policy (3)**

#### ADMISSION TO THE FINANCE MAJOR

Finance is an impacted program. Students seeking a major in Finance may initially declare a major in Pre-Finance. Pre-Finance majors who have completed 60 units with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.60 may declare a major in Finance with specific option(s). Students must qualify by the time they earn 90 units and be able to complete their new major within a maximum of 140 units.

The B.S. in Finance offers three options: Financial Analysis, Financial Planning, and Risk Management & Insurance. Students who select the option in Financial Analysis may not double option in Financial Planning or Risk Management & Insurance. Students may double option in Financial Planning and Risk Management & Insurance if they have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 and be able to complete ALL requirements within a maximum of 140 units.

#### CAREER ADVISEMENT

To explore careers in the financial planning related fields, please contact:

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#### FINANCIAL PLANNING OPTION CORE REQUIREMENTS (12 UNITS)

**FIN 336 Principles of Risk Management & Insurance (3)**  
*Corequisite: BUS 302+302L for business majors*

**FIN 440 Retirement Planning and Employee Benefits (3)**  
*Prerequisites: FIN 303\*; BUS 302+302L for business majors; Department consent required*

**FIN 442 Theory and Practice of Financial Planning (3)**  
*Prerequisites: FIN 303\*; FIN 352; BUS 302+302L for business majors; Department consent required*

**FIN 446 Income Tax and Estate Planning (3)**  
*Prerequisites: FIN 303\*; BUS 302+302L for business majors; Department consent required*

#### FINANCIAL PLANNING OPTION ELECTIVE REQUIREMENTS (6 UNITS)

- You may also select a course from this additional list to count for one of your Financial Planning option electives: ACCT 440, ACCT 450, \*\*ECON 310, or ECON 409; *excludes* FIN 102, 433, and 439  
**\*\*ECON310 available for GE**
- Refer to the current University Catalog for specific prerequisites
- **Not all electives are offered every semester**

**FIN 302 Personal Finance (3)**  
*Prerequisite: Completion of the lower division writing requirement*

**FIN 355 Corporate Finance (3)**  
*Prerequisite: FIN 303\*; BUS 302+302L are prerequisites for Business students; restricted to Finance majors and minors*

**FIN 359 Quantitative Finance (3)**  
*Prerequisites: FIN 303\*; BUS 302+302L for business majors*

**FIN 425 Entrepreneurial Finance (3)**  
*Prerequisites: FIN 303\*; BUS 302+302L for business majors*

**FIN 430 International Financial Management (3)**  
*Prerequisites: FIN 303\*; BUS 302+302L for business majors*

**FIN 431 Risk Management (3)**  
*Prerequisites: FIN 303\*; FIN 336; BUS 302+302L for business majors*

**FIN 434 Life and Health Insurance (3)**  
*Prerequisites: FIN 303\*; FIN 336; BUS 302+302L for business majors*

**FIN 436 Futures and Options: Theory and Strategy (3)**  
*Prerequisites: Grade of "C" or higher in FIN 352 or instructor's permission; BUS 302+302L are prerequisites for Business majors*

**FIN 438 Management of Financial Institutions (3)**  
*Prerequisites: FIN 303\*; BUS 302+302L for business majors*

**FIN 459 Financial Modeling (3)**  
*Prerequisites: FIN 303\*; "C" or higher in FIN 352, FIN 355, FIN 359 or instructor's permission; BUS 302+302L for business majors*

**FIN 493 Seminar in Financial Planning (3)**  
*Prerequisites: FIN 303\*; BUS 302+302L for business majors; Department consent required*

**FIN 498 Field Assignments and Reports Finance (3)**  
*Prerequisites: FIN 303\*; BUS 302+302L for business majors; Department consent required*

# REQUIRED BUSINESS CORE COURSES

A Business Major is any student majoring in Accountancy, Information Systems; or Business Administration with an option in one of the following: Business Analytics, Business Law, Financial Analysis, Financial Planning, Global Supply Chain Management, Management, Marketing, Real Estate, Risk Management and Insurance or Systems and Operations Management.

All business programs are accredited by AACSB and therefore have the same core requirements. Students will be held to fulfilling all prerequisite courses. The prerequisites for Business courses are listed below and also available in the current CSUN Catalog.

## LOWER DIVISION CORE REQUIREMENTS (27 UNITS)

- ACCT 220 Intro to Financial Accounting (3)**  
*Prerequisites: A grade of "C" or higher in MATH 103 or higher-level mathematics course and sophomore standing*
- ACCT 230 Intro to Managerial Accounting (3)**  
*Prerequisite: ACCT 220*
- ECON 160 Principles of Microeconomics (3)**  
*Prerequisites: Multiple Measures Placement in (1) GE-level Mathematics and (2) GE-level Written Communication or completion of 113A or 114A.*
- ECON 161 Principles of Macroeconomics (3)**  
*Prerequisites: ECON 160*
- IS 212 Info Systems for Business Users (3)**
- SOM 120\* Basic Business Statistics (3)**  
*Prerequisite: A grade of "C" or higher in MATH 103 or higher-level mathematics course*  
*\*The 4-unit MATH 140 course also satisfies this requirement*
- ENGL 205 Business Communication (3)**  
*Prerequisite: Completion of Lower Division Writing Exam. Recommended Preparatory: AAS/AFRS/CAS/CHS/COMS 151 or equivalent; IS 212 or equivalent.*
- BLAW 280 Business Law I (3)**  
*Prerequisites: Completion of lower division writing requirement and sophomore standing*
- MATH 103\*\* Mathematical Methods for Bus (3)**  
*Prerequisites: Eligibility for GE level mathematics*  
*\*\*MATH 103 or higher-level mathematics course must be completed with a "C" or higher.*

## UPPER DIVISION CORE REQUIREMENTS (19 UNITS)

- BUS 302 Gateway Experience (3)**  
*Prerequisites: Junior Standing, Lower Division Business Core: ACCT 220, ACCT 230, ECON 160, ECON 161, IS 212, SOM 120 or MATH 140, ENGL 205, BLAW 280, and MATH 103. Corequisite: BUS 302L*
- BUS 302L Gateway Lab (1)**  
*Prerequisites: Junior standing and completion of all Lower Division Business Core courses. Corequisite: BUS 302.*
- FIN 303 Financial Management (3)**  
*Pre/Corequisite for Business Majors: BUS 302+302L*
- MGT 360 Management and Org. Behavior (3)**  
*Pre/Corequisite for Business Majors: BUS 302+302L*
- MKT 304 Marketing Management (3)**  
*Pre/Corequisite for Business Majors: BUS 302+302L*
- SOM 306 Operations Management (3)**  
*Pre/Corequisite for Business Majors: BUS 302+302L*
- BUS497 Capstone: Strategic Management (3)**  
*Prerequisites: Senior standing; BUS 302+302L, FIN 303, MGT 360, MKT 304; Graduating senior standing*