

Finance CERTIFICATE

Program Overview

The Finance Certificate program is designed for students who have a desire to learn or enhance specific finance skills. These skills include summarizing and analyzing specific financial data, personal finance and money and banking. The graduate will help prepare spreadsheet analysis, database entries and provide other application software support.

This program is targeted at accounting and business students who have an interest in finance and would like to add a certificate in finance to their resume to enhance their career path and potential. Accounting students pursuing an AAS degree from Saint Paul College can obtain this Certificate by taking three additional courses. This certificate program covers the fundamental areas of family and personal financial planning, basic financial theory and issues related to banking and the financial industry. Basic financial theory includes the time value of money concepts and the theory of pricing various types of financial instruments.

Business managers in all different roles face financial challenges in today's complex business environment. Enrolling in this certificate program will give students the financial tools they need to become better rounded financial managers and also will allow professionals in any field to improve their performance by understanding the financial functions within their area and company.

Excellent reading skills and a combination of interest and ability to concentrate on detail, an analytical mind, good judgment and absolute integrity are necessary for success in the field of finance.

Program Outcomes

1. Graduates will have a self-awareness of business and personal finance theory and learn how to apply this theory to real-world personal and business financial issues.
2. Graduates will be equipped with a solid foundation in finance theory.
3. Graduates will be able to apply finance theory to their personal financial situation.
4. Graduates will be able to apply finance theory to financial decisions within the banking and financial industries.
5. Graduates will develop characteristics and finance intelligence that will allow them to make prudent financial decisions in whatever function they occupy within an organization.
6. Graduates will have a working knowledge of finance consistent with ethical, legal and regulatory expectations.
7. Graduates will have a competitive advantage in job and career development.

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Program Requirements

Check off when completed

Course	Cr
<input type="checkbox"/> ACCT 1410 Intro to Accounting	2
<input type="checkbox"/> ACCT 2410 Financial Accounting	4
<input type="checkbox"/> ACCT 2420 Managerial Accounting	4
<input type="checkbox"/> ACCT 2540 Financial Modeling for Spreadsheets	4
<input type="checkbox"/> BUSN 1760 Principles of Finance	4
<input type="checkbox"/> BUSN 1762 Money and Banking	4
<input type="checkbox"/> BUSN 2459 Family and Personal Financial Planning	4
Total Program Credits	26

Program Start Dates

Fall, Spring, Summer

Course Sequence

The following sequence is recommended; however, this sequence is not required. Contact Program Faculty with questions.

Fall Semester

ACCT 1410 Intro to Accounting	2
BUSN 2459 Family and Personal Financial Planning	4
Total Semester Credits	6

Spring Semester

ACCT 2410 Financial Accounting	4
BUSN 1760 Principles of Finance	4
BUSN 1762 Money and Banking	4
Total Semester Credits	12

Fall Semester

ACCT 2420 Managerial Accounting	4
ACCT 2540 Financial Modeling for Spreadsheets	4
Total Semester Credits	8

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Minimum Program Entry Requirements

Students entering this program must meet the following minimum program entry requirements:

Reading: Score of 38+

Arithmetic: Score of 20+

Assessment Results and Prerequisites:

Students admitted into Saint Paul College programs may need to complete additional courses based on assessment results and course prerequisite requirements. Certain MATH, READ, and ENGL courses have additional prerequisites.

Degree option may have a greater requirement than this certificate.

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