Program Requirements Guide 2021-2022

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. 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 communicate effectively and identify finance career options.
2. Graduates will be able to apply finance theory to their personal financial situation.
3. Graduates will be able to apply finance theory to financial decisions within the banking and financial industries.
4. Graduates will develop characteristics and finance intelligence that will allow them to make prudent financial decisions in whatever function they occupy within an organization.

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Program Requirements
☐ Check off when completed
Required Business Core

Professional Component
☐ BUSN 1480 Career Resources ...................... 1
☐ ACCT 2410 Financial Accounting .................. 4
☐ BUSN 1760 Principles of Finance .................. 4
☐ BUSN 1762 Money and Banking .................. 4
☐ BUSN 1782 Investments .......................... 3

Required Business Core .......................... 16

Program Start Dates
Fall, Spring, Summer

Course Sequence
The following sequence is recommended for a full-time student; however, this sequence is not required. Contact Program Faculty with questions.

First Semester
BUSN 1760 Principles of Finance .................. 4
ACCT 2410 Financial Accounting .................. 4
Total Semester Credits .......................... 8

Second Semester
BUSN 1480 Career Resources ...................... 1
BUSN 1762 Money and Banking 
(spring only) ........................................ 4
BUSN 1782 Investments (spring only) .............. 3
Total Semester Credits .......................... 8

Total Program Credits .......................... 16

Minimum Program Entry Requirements
Students entering this program must meet the following minimum program entry requirements:
Reading: Score of 225+
Writing: Score of 200+

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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