

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN FINANCE (#664) FINANCIAL PLANNING

Department of Finance

Gordon Ford College of Business

Western Kentucky University

The following four-year plan is an example of how to map your program in consultation with your advisor. Every student will finish with a unique plan of his/her own depending on the electives selected.

Success Markers

SAMPLE - 4 year plan

FIRST YEAR	FALL SEMESTER		SPRING SEMESTER	
Visit the	ENG 100, Introduction to College Writing (F-W1)	3	ENG 200, Introduction Literature (ENG 100) (F-AH)	3
Math	*COMM 145, Fund Speaking/COMM: BUS/PROF(F-OC)	3	HIST 101 or 102, World History I or II (F-SB)	3
Lab	*MATH 116, College Algebra (F-QR)	3	Arts & Humanities (E-AH)	3
for FREE	*CIS 141, Basic Computer Literacy	3	Foreign Language (Language Proficiency)	3
tutoring!	BA 175, University Experience Business	3	*ACCT 200, Introductory Accounting – Financial (Completion of Colonnade Math)	3
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15

SECOND YEAR	FALL SEMESTER		SPRING SEMESTER	
Start Getting Career Ready Professional organizations Tutoring Lab Public Speaking Assistance PEAK Center for Career and Professional Development	*ACCT 201, Introductory Accounting – Managerial (ACCT 200)	3	Natural & Physical Sciences with lab (E-SL)	3
	*ECON 202, Principles of Economics - Micro (Sophomore) (E-SB)	3	*ECON 203, Principles of Economics – Macro (Sophomore) (E-SB)	3
	CIS 243, Principles of MIS (CIS 141)	3	*ECON 206, Statistics (ECON 202/203 and MATH 116 or higher)	3
	MGT 210, Organization and Management (Sophomore)	3	MKT 220, Basic Marketing Concepts (Sophomore)	3
	Natural & Physical Sciences (E-NS)	3	MGT 200, Legal Environment of Business (Sophomore)	3
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15

World Language Proficiency: All students entering in fall 2014 or later must demonstrate proficiency in a world language at the Novice High level before completing 60 credit hours. Novice high is the ability to communicate in writing and speaking on familiar topics in simple sentences. To meet this requirement, students may take college language courses or take a proficiency test. For more information go to: http://www.wku.edu/modernlanguages/placement/.

Colonnade Program: All students entering in fall 2014 or later must complete 39 hours in 13 specific Colonnade areas. Colonnade areas are listed in parentheses marked in blue after the corresponding classes. Some areas may have specific course requirements while others can be chosen from selected lists of options. For more details and to see lists of options, go to http://www.wku.edu/colonnade/documents/approved colonnade courses website.pdf. Admission to the Gordon Ford College of Business and the Finance (Financial Planning) Program – To gain admission to the Gordon Ford College of Business (GFCB) and the Finance (Financial Planning) Program students must have 60 earned hours with a minimum 2.5 overall GPA. They must also complete the eight admission courses (ACCT 200, ACCT 201; CIS 141; COMM 145; ECON 202, ECON 203, ECON 206; MATH 116 (or higher) with a separately calculated 2.5 GPA.

THIRD YEAR	FALL SEMESTER		SPRING SEMESTER	
Complete an Internship	Connections (K-LG)	3	ENG 300, Writing in the Disciplines (ENG 200 or permission of instructor) (F-W2)	3
	Connections (K-SC))	3	FIN 331, Applied Investments	3
Attend a Professional	FIN 330, Principles of Financial Management (ACCT 200, MATH 116, ECON 202/203)	3	FIN 332, Investment Theory(FIN 330)	3
Conference	ECON 307, Financial Data Modeling (ECON 206)	3	ACCT 330, Tax Planning for Investments (FIN 330)	3
Participate in Field Trips	MGT 314, Operations Management (ECON 206)	3	Connections (K-SY)	3
	FIN 300, Career Readiness in Finance (FIN 330 or concurrent)	1		
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	16	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15

FOURTH YEAR	FALL SEMESTER		SPRING SEMESTER		
Practice	FIN 350, Risk Management/Insurance	3	FIN 445, Estate Planning (FIN 330)	3	
Interviews and finalize your resume with the	FIN 437, Corporate Asset Management (FIN 330 "C" or better and ECON 307(or concurrent))	3	MGT 498, Strategy and Policy OR ENT 496, Small Bus Analysis and Strategy (Senior and ACCT 201, CIS 243, FIN 330, MGT 210, MGT 314, MKT 220)	3	
Center for Career and Professional	FIN 438, Corporate Funds Management (FIN 330 "C" or better and ECON 307 (or concurrent))	3	FIN 439, Security Analysis and Portfolio Management (FIN 332, "C" or better) OR FIN 449, Practicum in Portfolio Management (FIN 332, "C" or better and permission of instructor)	3	
Development	Approved Finance Elective	3	FIN 450, Financial Plan Development (FIN 331, 332 350, 444, 445, ACCT 330 or concurrent with departmental approval)	3	
Apply for Graduation and	FIN 444, Retirement Planning (FIN 330)	3	FIN 400, Personal Financial Planning Practice Management (completion/concurrent in FIN 331,332,444)	2	
CELEBRATE!			FIN 401, Personal Financial Planning Practice Management Lab (completion/concurrent in FIN 331,332,444)	1	
			FIN 499, Senior Assessment (Senior, enrolled in last semester of course work)	0	
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15	
Total Credit Hours: 123					

^{*} Denotes prerequisite courses before admission to the Gordon Ford College of Business

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