



**Business**

FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

## **MASTER OF SCIENCE IN FINANCE**

*A fine addition to your portfolio*

Developed for professionals wanting to broaden their understanding of the domestic and global financial services industry, the Master of Science in Finance program enables you to become well-versed in the financial industry. From corporate finance to swaps and options to mutual fund management, the MSF program sharpens your knowledge of financial strategy.

### **Highlights**

The curriculum challenges you to examine the dynamic nature of today's financial markets and to seize the opportunities this rapidly-changing arena pose to financial managers. The program enhances your technical and analytical financial skills and includes the use of the latest financial software. At the same time, the program helps you prepare for Level I of the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) exam. The twelve-month, lock-step, twelve-course program with three track options allows you to continue full-time work and, for added convenience, is offered at three locations in South Florida.

### **Unique Features**

- Program requires 36 credit hours (2 courses per 8-week session) of coursework.
- Classes are held on Friday night and Saturday morning at University Park Campus & the Pembroke Pines Cohorts and Tuesday & Thursdays nights for the Downtown Cohort.

### **Program Format**

MSF cohorts begin in January and August. Cohorts are structured into "blocks" or sessions, with each block consisting of two courses and lasting approximately eight weeks.

### **Core Courses**

Corporate Finance  
Quantitative Methods in Financial Analysis  
Financial Planning & Statement Analysis  
Securities Analysis  
Financial Markets & Institutions  
Financial Futures & Fixed Income  
Financial Risk Management  
Global Financial Strategy  
Portfolio Management

### **Financial Management Track offered at the University Park Campus**

Financial Software  
Capital Budgeting  
Financial Management Policies

### **Investments Track offered at the Pines Center**

Financial Management Policies  
Advanced Risk Management  
Advanced Investment

### **International Banking and Financial Institutions Track offered at the Downtown Miami Center**

Commercial Banking  
International Bank Management  
Credit Analysis

### **Admission Requirements**

To be eligible for admission to the MSF program, prospective students must:

1. Hold a Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university.
2. Show high promise of success in graduate work as determined by the faculty based upon a minimum score of 500 on the Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT) or 1000 (combination of verbal and quantitative) on the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) score and a minimum 3.0 grade point average (GPA) for undergraduate study.
3. Be in good standing with all previously-attended colleges and universities.
4. If applicant is an international student whose native language is not English, he or she also must have achieved a minimum score of 550 on the paper-based TOEFL or 213 on the computer-based TOEFL, or an equivalent score on a comparable examination.

### **Application Deadlines**

To begin in the Spring Term (January)

September 1 - Last day for applicants to submit a graduate application.

October 1 - Last day for applicants to submit all supporting academic credentials, appropriate test scores, and Declaration of Finances; last day for US applicants to submit a graduate application and supporting credentials.

To begin in the Fall Term (August)

April 1 - Last day for applicants to submit a graduate application.

June 1 - Last day for applicants to submit all supporting academic credentials, appropriate test scores, and Declaration of Finances; last day for US applicants to submit a graduate application and supporting credentials.

## Application Procedures

To apply for admission to the MSF Program, applicants must submit the following to:

Florida International University  
Finance Graduate Program  
Chapman Graduate School  
11200 SW 8TH Street – CBC 200W  
Miami, FL 33199

- 1) Graduate Application for Admission, along with nonrefundable application fee of \$30.00 in US dollars. Applications can be completed at <http://gradschool.fiu.edu/admissions.html>
- 2) Official transcripts from all previously attended colleges and/or universities. Transcripts must be sent directly to the Chapman Graduate School Admissions by all formerly attended institutions in a sealed university envelope. If official transcripts are not in English, a second copy of the transcript must be requested from previously attended institutions for translation by an official translation agency. The official translation as well as the requested official copy of the transcript must be submitted.
- 3) Official proof of degree: a notarized copy of the original diploma is required if the degree is not posted on the official transcripts.
- 4) Official GMAT (Minimum score is 500) or GRE score (Combined verbal & quantitative scores must equal a minimum of 1000). The official score must be sent directly by Educational Testing Service (ETS). FIU's university code is: 5206
- 5) Statement of purpose -The document should outline your objectives in pursuing this graduate degree. There is not a minimum or maximum word or page count.
- 6) Official TOEFL score (Minimum score is 213 on computer-based or 550 on paper-based test). The official score must be sent directly by Educational Testing Service (ETS). FIU's university code is: 5206

The following are for International applicants requiring a Sevis I-20 only:

- 7) Declaration of Finances Form.  
This form can be downloaded from [http://gradschool.fiu.edu/downloads/Declaration\\_of\\_Finances.doc](http://gradschool.fiu.edu/downloads/Declaration_of_Finances.doc)
- 8) Bank letter has to reflect **\$52,000 USD**
- 9) Sponsor letter (if applicable)

Only those applicants who have submitted complete application packets will be considered. Meeting the minimum requirements is not a guarantee of admissions.

## Financial Assistance

Limited number of scholarships/assistantships is available for most qualified students. For more information please contact MSF program office.

## Fees

The cost of tuition for a Florida resident is approximately \$29,500. For non-Florida residents and international students, tuition is approximately \$33,100. All fees are subject to change.

## Career Services

The Career Management Services staff offers high-quality, accessible, and well-coordinated services and provides information designed to help you achieve career success. Workshops cover topics such as writing resumes, preparing for and handling the job interview, developing job search strategies, and effective networking. In addition, the office provides self-assessment tools, individual advising, resume referral, and on-campus interviews for internships and permanent positions. Career Management Services works closely with employers to develop relationships that ensure you have access to many employment opportunities.

## More Information

For more information about the Master of Science in Finance Program, please contact our office:

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