

Finance

The major in finance is designed for students interested in specializing in the finance industry. Graduates can seek employment within organizations such as banks, investment companies, brokerage houses, or in the finance departments of corporations.

Finance is one of the principal topic areas within business management. All students preparing in business should know the principles of finance, since money is a basic measure of business activity and capital funds are an essential element for all organizations. However, students majoring in finance study not only the fundamental principles, but also in-depth and varied finance topics.

Although the finance major offers a focused learning experience by using elective opportunities for finance coursework, the overall degree requirements give students a broad business management perspective. The major is available in both the B.S. (Bachelor of Science) and B.B.A. (Bachelor of Business Administration) degree for transfer students and the B.S. degree for freshmen. Because the curriculum is very course specific, some students may find that the need to attend SUNY Poly for more than the normal 124 total credit hours. These students may find it desirable to pursue the general management major while concentrating their electives in the finance area to finish in the normal 124 total credit hours.

The degree requirements which follow are based upon four years of study so the students will have fulfilled many of these requirements through transfer credits.

Degree Requirements

B.S./B.B.A. Programs

Arts and Science – Minimum 60 semester hours B.B.A., 64 semester hours B.S. Must complete seven of ten general education categories (1-10) with a minimum of 30 general education credits.

Required Courses (including categories 1-4)

Elements of Calculus (3 cr. minimum) ¹	MAT 112
Statistics (3 cr. minimum)	STA 100
Natural Science (3 cr. minimum) ²	
Microeconomics (3 cr. minimum) ³	ECO 110
Macroeconomics (3 cr. minimum)	ECO 112
Basic Communication (3 cr. minimum) ⁴	ENG 101
Upper Division Writing (3 cr. minimum)	COM 307
Behavioral Science (3 cr. minimum)	

Additional General Education (categories 5-10)

- American History⁵
- Western Civilization⁶
- Other Civilizations⁷
- Humanities*⁸
- Arts⁹
- Foreign Language¹⁰
- Arts/Science Elective (remainder of credits)

Business Requirements – Minimum 33 semester hours B.S., 47 semester hours B.B.A.

Financial Accounting (3 cr. minimum)	ACC 201
Managerial Accounting (3 cr. minimum)	ACC 205
Introduction to Business (3 cr. minimum)	BUS 101
Business Law (3 cr. minimum)	BUS 105
Finance Principles (3 cr. minimum)	FIN 302
Marketing Principles (3 cr. minimum)	MKT 301
Organizational Behavior (3 cr. minimum)	MGT 307
Human Resource Management (3 cr. minimum)	MGT 318
Issues in Business & Society (3 cr. minimum)	BUS 451
Management Science (3 cr. minimum)	MGS 411
Management Policy (3 cr. minimum)	BUS 485
Business Elective (remainder of credits)	

Finance Requirements – Minimum 15 semester hours

Intermediate Accounting (3 cr. minimum)	ACC 385
Investments (3 cr. minimum)	FIN 332
Financial Institutions (3 cr. minimum)	FIN 341
Financial Management Problems (3 cr. minimum)	FIN 411
Financial Planning and Control (3 cr. minimum)	FIN 420

Unrestricted Electives (remainder of credits)

Total **Minimum 124**

NOTE: A minimum of a C (2.00 GPA) is required in all finance and business core courses taken at SUNY Poly, requirements and electives. All business transfer courses must have a grade of "C" or better to apply to the degree program.

**Written communication and technical writing courses do not fulfill this requirement.*

Finance Minor

See academic minor section.