Finance
A degree specific or second major

Information for enrolling students

Why study Finance?  Example study plans
What do finance professionals really do?

You may be required to:
- Collate information on securities, market conditions and government regulations, and the financial circumstances of clients
- Deal in the marketplace on behalf of clients
- Provide financial advice
- Calculate transaction costs
- Develop appropriate investments for clients
- Plan purchasing and selling

What jobs can you get?
- Financial planner
- Insurance broker
- Investment banker
- Stockbroker
- And lots more!
Finance – a great career choice

• A Finance major builds on the foundations of finance from the perspective of a functioning organisation including corporate finance issues such as the appropriate mix of equity and debt to business projects and aspects of investment finance including the workings of the capital markets

• If you choose to pursue a career as a financial economist you may choose to combine your Finance major with a major in Economics

• Apply your knowledge by joining UWA’s Student Managed Investment Fund!
UWA's Finance major has been accepted into the CFA Institute University Recognition Program. This status is granted to institutions whose degree program(s) incorporate at least 70% of the CFA Program Candidate Body of Knowledge (CBOK), which positions students well to sit for the CFA exams.

To learn more, visit www.cfainstitute.org
“I joined Standard Chartered as an International Graduate with rotations to different parts of the bank every three months.

Right now, I have a permanent role and broadly, the aim of the role is to drive initiatives globally to increase revenue and value-add across a particular segment of corporate clients.”

- Glenn Ho
How do I major in Finance?

• As a degree specific major within the Bachelor of Commerce or Bachelor of Philosophy (Honours)

OR

• As a second major within any of UWA’s five undergraduate degrees

Finance is often combined with the following majors:
• Accounting
• Economics (single major)
• Engineering Science
• Management

Remember – you can choose to combine Finance with almost any other UWA major!
Finance as a degree-specific major

A typical full time first enrolment would be eight (8) units for the year (four units per semester); those students wishing to undertake Finance as a **degree-specific major** within the Bachelor of Commerce; will need to undertake two (2) core level one units:

- ACCT1101 Financial Accounting
- FINA1221 Introduction to Finance

in addition to four (4) **complementary units:**

- ECON1101 Microeconomics: Prices & Markets
- MGMT1135 Organisational Behaviour
- MKTG1203 Marketing Management
- STAT1520 Economic and Business Statistics

The remaining two (2) units in your first enrolment as a full time student could be **broadening** units taken from outside the Bachelor of Commerce degree course

Example first year study plan

First-year Study Plan: FSP002-1

Degree: BP002 Bachelor of Commerce
This plan leads to a choice of:
Degree-specific major: Accounting, Economics (double major), Economics (single major), Finance
Second major: Accounting, Economics (single major), Finance
Broadening units: LAWS1120 (Cat. B)

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* This unit is available in semester 1, semester 2.
† This double major can only be taken on its own.
^ ECON1111 Quantitative Methods for Business and Economics is to be taken by students who have completed Mathematics 2C/2D or equivalent, prior to undertaking STAT1520.

This study plan is an example of a full-time load of four units per semester.
The standard minimum completion time for a bachelor's degree is three years. The maximum completion time is 10 years.
For course advice find out which Student Office you are assigned to via studentConnect.

handbooks.uwa.edu.au/undergraduate/courses/studyplans
If you choose to undertake a second major from outside the Bachelor of Commerce, the units you complete in a second major chosen from Arts; Science; or Design would satisfy the Category B broadening unit requirement of your degree and possibly the Category A requirement depending upon unit selection.

If you choose to undertake a second major offered within the Bachelor of Commerce you must complete four (4) broadening units chosen from any discipline outside the Bachelor of Commerce degree course, including at least one Category A broadening unit. You can view a full list of broadening units including Category A broadening units online via UWA undergraduate handbooks.

- handbooks.uwa.edu.au/undergraduate/courses/about/broadening
- handbooks.uwa.edu.au/undergraduate/courses/bp002/com_major
# Three-year study plan

## Course Study Plan: CSP002-FINCE

**Degree:** BP002 Bachelor of Commerce  
**Degree-specific major:** MJD-FINCE Finance (two Level 1 units + three Level 2 units + three Level 3 units)

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◇ Complementary unit  
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handbooks.uwa.edu.au/majors/bp002/mjdfince
Finance as a second major

Finance can be taken as a second major in the following degree courses:

- BP001 Bachelor of Arts
- BP002 Bachelor of Commerce
- BP003 Bachelor of Design
- BP004 Bachelor of Science
- BH005 Bachelor of Philosophy (Honours)

handbooks.uwa.edu.au/majors/bp002/mjdfince#sm-tab
Finance as a second major: Study plan

Course Study Plan: CSPGeneric-DSMGeneric-FINCE

Degree: Generic
Degree-specific major: MJD-Generic (two Level 1 units + two Level 2 units + four Level 3 units)
Second major: MJS-FINCE Finance (two Level 1 units + three Level 2 units + three Level 3 units)

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Get involved!

The UWA Business School has a range of student groups. These will allow you to attend professional development events, take on leadership positions and make new friends!

Student groups include:
• ECOMS (Economics and Commerce Student Society)
• FAWA (Finance Association of Western Australia)
• SMIF (Student Managed Investment Fund)
• MARKAM (The Marketing and Management Association of UWA)
• UWACS (UWA Consulting Society)
• Enactus
• Bloom
• AIESEC

Learn more at business.uwa.edu.au/students/faculty-groups-and-societies
Other great ideas

There are lots of wonderful opportunities available to you as a Business School student. For example:

**Peer Assisted Study Sessions** (To assist first year Business students)
business.uwa.edu.au/students/pass

**International Exchange and Study Abroad**
business.uwa.edu.au/students/exchange

**Volunteering**
volunteering.guild.uwa.edu.au

**Guild Clubs**
guild.uwa.edu.au/welcome/clubs
Enquiries / Credit for prior study

If you have completed some study at tertiary level and you are applying for, or have been granted, advanced standing (credit for prior study); or if you have any queries regarding studying in the UWA Business School you can contact an advisor in the Student Centre to assist in determining your first enrolment.

We look forward to speaking with you!

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