

MINOR IN FINANCE

Catalog Date: Fall 2016 and later

Major Catalog Date: _____

Name _____ SID _____
Last First Middle

Street Address _____ City _____ ZIP Code _____ Quarter admitted _____

Adviser's Signature _____ Date _____ Student's Signature _____ Date _____

A Minor in Finance is available for students majoring in fields other than Finance. A total of 15 semester units is required, of which at least 9 units must be taken in residence at California State University, L.A. A minimum C (2.0) grade point average is required in all course work taken to complete the minor program.

<i>Course Abbreviation, Number, Title, Units</i>	<i>Transferred From</i>	<i>Course No./Title</i>	<i>Units</i>	<i>Quarter Compl.</i>	<i>Quarter to be Compl.</i>
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REQUIRED COURSES (9 units)

FIN 3030 Business Finance	(3)				
FIN 3250 Essential Skills for Finance Professionals	(3)				
FIN 3320 Investments	(3)				

ELECTIVES (6 units): Select two courses from the following: FIN 3050, 3310, 3350, 4030, 4310, 4340, 4370, 4400, 4470, 4500.

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TOTAL UNITS REQUIRED FOR MINOR: 15

Recommended Electives (based on career objective):

Trader/Analyst/Fund Manager/Treasury FIN 4370 & FIN 4500/4470	Corporate Finance FIN 4030 & FIN 4370/4340/4310	Financial Advisory FIN 4370 & FIN 4500/4470/3350
Commercial Banking FIN 4030 & FIN 4390/4500	Mortgage Banking FIN 4390 & FIN 4930/4030	Private Banking FIN 4030 & FIN 3310/4500/3350

Why Minor in Finance?

You take most of the finance courses of a major without having to take the 16 business core courses. *So you are marketable for many of the finance positions that majors are.*

Many employers such as investment banks, securities firms, money management firms (e.g. mutual and pension funds), and firms that conduct stock and market analysis like people with diverse backgrounds that have finance training. *Your diversity is a strength.*

Art, History, English, Acting, etc. all bring writing, communication, and/or creative thinking skills, which are valued in analyzing the markets--e.g. *out of the box thinking, interpretation of non-financial info.*

Most of our coursework simply requires that you be good at arithmetic and are able to read graphs. *No calculus.*

What sort of jobs are there for me?

Choose the proper finance courses—in general the department *recommends Fin 4370* as one of your electives—and you could take a position as broker, financial advisor, junior financial analyst, an investment banker, commercial banker, or enter a training program to become a trader or portfolio manager.

If you choose Fin 4030, you will be trained to make capital investment decisions for firms, or could find yourself in public finance. *In general, we recommend taking Fin 4030 as supplement to Fin 4370. Fin 4370 will maximize your marketability in finance.*

Are there any other prerequisites?

You will need Acct 2100 (Financial Accounting) to take Fin 3030, and Econ 2090 (Applied Statistics) to take Fin 3250, or the equivalent. If you have had a statistics course in another discipline, we can waive Econ 2090.

Sample Course Sequences:

S1	S2	S3	S4
Investments			
<i>Acct 2100</i>	Fin 3030 <i>Econ 2090</i>	Fin 3250 Fin 3320	Fin 4370* Fin 4500
Corporate			
<i>Acct 2100</i>	Fin 3030 <i>Econ 2090</i>	Fin 3250 Fin 3320	Fin 4030 Fin 4370*/4340/4310

If you have had Acct 2100/Econ 2090 or the equivalent, these courses need not be taken.

*Fin 4370 requires Fin 3250 and Fin 3320.