Come Back and Move Your Finance Career Forward

Chart your path through the evolving world of finance with a master’s degree that sets you up as a knowledgeable, adept, and prepared leader in your field. Develop the advanced technical knowledge and skills in all areas of this increasingly complex and diversified field. From corporate finance, to investment management, to banking and beyond, you’ll acquire the strategic thinking skills to solve the everyday challenges you’ll face in the market — and the business expertise to come back stronger than ever.

Master of Science in FINANCE
Why Study Finance at Purdue Global?

**Built for Working Adults**
Complete courses online, without compromising your work or family schedule.

**Backed by the Power of Purdue**
Earn a degree you can be proud of — and one that employers will respect. Achieve more in the finance field with a name that opens doors in your career.

**Career-Focused Concentrations**
Choose from three areas of specialization designed to help you expand your expertise: financial analysis, financial planning, and treasury management.

**Hands-On Learning**
Build relevant, practical skills you’ll need in the real world through our interactive learning environment. You will generate reports, create presentations, collaborate on group projects, and conduct complex financial analysis.

**CFP® Board-Registered Program**
The Master of Science in Finance with a concentration in financial planning is a CFP® Board-Registered Program in financial planning education.¹

**Faculty Expertise**
Learn from practicing professionals with extensive experience in business and education. All faculty possess advanced academic degrees.

**Personal Support**
Work directly with faculty through online discussion boards and seminars, and enjoy no-cost individual tutoring. In addition, academic and career advisors are dedicated to helping you balance school with your career and life responsibilities.

Program Outcomes Support Your Career Growth

**BUILD THE CORE SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES THAT EMPLOYERS DEMAND**

- **Decision Analysis:** Use financial and other information to make and justify business decisions.
- **Risk Management and Investment Analysis:** Identify financial risk and create a plan to minimize exposure.
- **Leadership:** Apply financial theory to facilitate overall guidance of an organization and improve day-to-day processes including the interpretation of financial data.
- **Ethical Practices:** Comply with laws, regulations, and financial principles while developing and living by a personal code of ethics.
- **Communication:** Compose and report clear and accurate financial information to stakeholders.

**EXPAND YOUR OPPORTUNITIES**

Gain the credentials, skills, and knowledge you need to pursue senior and leadership positions in finance. The curriculum develops your understanding of the factors that influence high-level decision making, as well as critical thinking used to find solutions to complex financial problems.

**PREPARE TO SIT FOR CFP® CERTIFICATION WHILE EARNING YOUR MASTER’S DEGREE**

The program’s financial planning concentration meets the specific criteria for educating individuals who wish to fulfill the education component for obtaining CFP® certification. After successfully completing the Master of Science in Finance, you must register for and complete FP107: Financial Plan Development, provided by Kaplan Financial Education, if you wish to meet all education requirements necessary to sit for the CFP® Certification Examination.³
Curriculum

Our courses are reviewed and revised continually by our dedicated curriculum department and advisory board to ensure they reflect the most recent developments in the field.

Courses Include:

- Corporate Finance
- Business Communications
- Investment and Securities Analysis
- Risk Analysis and Management
- Financial Institutions and Markets
- Financial Statement Analysis
- Retirement Planning
- Fixed-Income and Futures Investing
- Portfolio Management

Concentrations:

Financial analysis: Develop the skills relevant to portfolio management and investment analysis. Study how to assess decision-making approaches and techniques and apply them to financial situations. Prepare for the Certified Financial Analyst (CFA) certification exam.³

Financial planning: Develop financial plans, evaluating the appropriate principles, concepts, and frameworks for financial decision making.

Treasury management: Learn to forecast and manage an enterprise’s holdings, using customized solutions to simplify financial operations and strengthen the bottom line.

Program Detail

Credit Hours: 56 (14 courses: 10 core; 4 concentration)

Program Length: Less than 2 years of full-time study

Course Load: 1–2 courses per session

Terms: 10 weeks

Start Dates: Throughout the year

Admissions Requirements: You must have a bachelor’s degree in the field of business from an accredited institution or a minimum of 30 semester/45 quarter credit hours in undergraduate coursework meeting the ACBSP’s Common Professional Components requirements. Visit Catalog.PurdueGlobal.edu for more information.

This program is accredited by the Accrediting Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP). For more information on Purdue Global’s ACBSP accreditation, visit www.acbsp.org.

Additional Programs

Master’s Degrees

- Master of Business Administration
- Master of Science in Accounting
- Master of Science in Management and Leadership

Graduate Business Certificates

- Accounting
- Human Resources
- Project Management
Industry Outlook

- Employment of financial managers, treasurers, and controllers is expected to grow much faster than the average from 2021 to 2031.4,5
- A master’s degree can be particularly beneficial if you work as a financial manager or a securities, commodities, or financial service sales agent. It is often required for advanced financial analysts and other higher-level positions, and can help improve a personal financial advisor’s chances for promotion.6

Career Pathways and Outcomes7

Roles
- Treasurer and controller
- Chief Financial Officer (CFO)
- Financial quantitative analyst
- Investment fund manager
- Investment underwriter
- Risk management specialist

Settings
- Banks
- Finance companies
- Insurance companies
- Security dealers
- Credit unions
- For-profit and nonprofit businesses
- Federal, state, or local government

Center for Career Advancement

Our Career Specialists connect finance students with job and networking opportunities, and offer the following assistance:

- Career assessment/exploration
- Resume and cover letter review
- Interview preparation/mock interviews
- Portfolio development to showcase your skills
- Assistance in building an online presence
- Job search and networking support
- Virtual career fairs
- 24/7 online access to job openings and career development tools

Student Organizations and Honor Societies

- Delta Mu Delta Honor Society
- Business and Management Student Association

Purdue Global Is Accredited by the Higher Learning Commission

The HLC (HLCommission.org) is an institutional accreditation agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

Military Friendly

We offer reduced tuition rates for servicemembers, veterans, and spouses.

Contact an Admissions Advisor at 844-PURDUE-G or visit purdueglobal.edu.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: PLEASE READ

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3 Students are responsible for understanding the requirements of optional certification exams. The University cannot guarantee students will be eligible to sit for or pass exams. In some cases, work experience, additional coursework beyond the Purdue Global program, fieldwork, and/or background checks may be necessary to be eligible to take or to successfully pass the exams.


5 O*Net Online: Summary Report for Treasurers and Controllers

6 Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Should I get a master’s degree?

7 Purdue Global does not guarantee employment or career advancement. In addition, job titles and responsibilities may vary by organization. Prior experience may be necessary for leadership positions. Certain finance positions may require further certification and/or licensing by individual states. This program was not designed to meet any specific state’s requirements for licensure or certification, and Purdue Global makes no representations or warranties as to whether the degree or any individual courses meet such requirements. Refer to the University Catalog for additional information.