MASTER OF SCIENCE IN FINANCE
LEARN TECHNICAL STRATEGIES AND BOOST BUSINESS PROFIT

“The MSF program provides a great balance of the best in graduate finance education. Our broad curriculum stresses both theory and hands-on application, and our faculty members come from both academic and corporate backgrounds. This intentional approach results in an annual graduating class well-prepared for a range of career opportunities in finance.”

— Irena Hutton
Gene Taylor/Bank of America
Associate Professor of Finance

CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED: Outstanding career placement rate and networking opportunities with alumni serving in posts ranging from Florida’s most innovative corporations to Wall Street’s strongest financial firms. Opportunities for students include managing an investment fund of about $3 million.

TESTED AND APPROVED: 100 percent of the MSF Class of 2017 rated the program’s quality of instruction good, very good or excellent.

MOVE FORWARD TODAY: Apply by March 1 and start in the summer (Session C). Complete the program in three semesters. Apply early to be considered for competitive assistantships.

FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY
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Graduate Programs

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The Master of Science in Finance (MSF) program consists of the 32 credit hours plus a non-credit professional development series. Current core curriculum includes the following courses:

- **FIN 5317** – Financial Institutions and Risk Management (3 hrs)
- **FIN 5425** – Problems in Financial Management (3 hrs)
- **FIN 5515** – Investment Management and Analysis (3 hrs)
- **FIN 5537** – Financial Derivatives and Risk Management (3 hrs)
- **FIN 5605** – Multinational Financial Management (3 hrs)
- **FIN 5840** – Applied Econometrics in Finance (3 hrs)
- **FIN 5917** – Student Investment Fund (1 hr in fall, 1 hr in spring)
- **FIN 5306** – Investment Banking (3 hrs)
- **FIN 5935** – Computer Skills for Financial Analysis (3 hrs)
- **MAN 5716** – Business Conditions Analysis (3 hrs)
- **REE 5305** – Real Estate Investments (3 hrs)

Note: FIN 5935 is a special topics course with a new focus each semester.

**Prerequisites**

All MSF applicants must complete specific business foundation courses prior to enrollment in the MSF program. Minimum prerequisites include Financial Accounting (ACG 2021 or its equivalent), an introductory course in Financial Management (FIN 3403 or its equivalent), Investments (FIN 4504 or its equivalent), and Problems in Financial Management (FIN 4424 or its equivalent). All students without work experience are encouraged to have completed an internship prior to entering the program.

**Please note:** Program requirements are subject to change.

**Cost of degree**

FSU’s MSF program follows tuition rates for graduate students established by the university. For a complete list of current estimated costs, see [business.fsu.edu/MSF](http://business.fsu.edu/MSF).

**Admission guidelines**

Admission to the Master of Science in Finance program is highly competitive. The decision is based on a portfolio of qualifications, including prior academic performance, work experience, entrance exam scores (such as the GMAT) and letters of recommendation.

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**Application process checklist**

The following items should be submitted through the Florida State Graduate Application portal, available exclusively online at [admissions.fsu.edu/gradapp](https://admissions.fsu.edu/gradapp):

- Applicant statement of purpose for pursuing the MSF degree (1-2 pages). Obtain form at [business.fsu.edu/MSF](http://business.fsu.edu/MSF)
- Current resume/C.V., clearly indicating work experience including dates and positions held.
- Three (3) letters of recommendation, two (2) from former college professors and one (1) from outside the academic environment that speaks specifically of the applicant’s ability to successfully complete the MSF program and other attributes, which make the applicant a valuable addition to the MSF program.
- Nonrefundable application fee of $30.00 (see University Application or go to [fees.fsu.edu](https://fees.fsu.edu))

The following items should be sent to the Admissions Office, PO Box 3062400, 282 Champions Way, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL 32306-2400:

- One (1) official transcript from all colleges and universities attended
- Florida Resident Affidavit, if applicable (see University Application or [https://admissions.fsu.edu/Residency/Residency.cfm](https://admissions.fsu.edu/Residency/Residency.cfm))
- Official GMAT score and, if applicable, TOEFL/IELTS score(s) – The TOEFL/IELTS score is a University requirement for international applicants; therefore, it cannot be waived. The code to send GMAT scores to Florida State is PN8K567, and the code to send TOEFL scores is 5219.

Note to international applicants: For more information concerning financial responsibilities, degree equivalency, etc., please visit: [http://admissions.fsu.edu/international/graduate/](http://admissions.fsu.edu/international/graduate/)

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— Evan Roman, MSF 2016
Analyst, SVB Capital

The FSU College of Business is accredited by The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB).