

Advanced Track in Finance

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The advanced track in financial management builds on the basic finance track. It provides additional depth to prepare students for careers in managing the finance function of the firm. This track permits students to choose from courses that explore financial management decisions and provides insights into a variety of financial management topics. Students complete the basic finance track and take two additional finance courses that are different from those taken to satisfy the basic finance track requirements. The courses used to satisfy the Advanced Track in Finance should be taken from the following list:

1. FIN 6416 Advanced Financial Management

The course provides a synthesis of the theory and practice of corporate finance in a world populated with self-interested economic agents. Particular attention is given to explaining why the observed financial consequences of actual managerial decisions often deviate from those predicted by traditional theory. (Prerequisite: FIN 6406 Financial Management) **Must be taken before taking any courses to satisfy the Advanced Track in Finance.**

Faculty: Dr. Jianping Qi

2. FIN 6418 Working Capital Management

This course is designed to provide the student with an understanding of short-term financial management, which includes decision-making concerning sources and uses of cash flows to support short-term operations.

(Prerequisite: FIN 6406 Financial Management)

Faculty: Dr. Scott Besley

3. FIN 6645 Financial Policy (Spring)

A case-study approach to financial policy and strategy with emphasis on the firm's major financial decisions. (Prerequisite: FIN 6406 Financial Management)

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4. FIN 6605 International Financial Management

This course provides a foundation for the understanding of financial management of international business. The subjects covered relate to international finance, multinational business finance, and financial market theory. (Prerequisite: FIN 6406 Financial Management)

Faculty: Dr. Chris Pantzalis

5. FIN 6804 Theory of Finance

A systematic and rigorous course in the theory of finance. Topics covered include the theory of choice and the allocation of financial resources, the theory of optimal investment decisions, and the theory of risk and uncertainty

in financial decisions. It also covers the theoretical concepts underlying financing decisions and the cost of capital. (Prerequisite: FIN 6416 Advanced Financial Management)

Faculty: Dr. Chris Pantzalis

6. FIN 6934 Financial Statement Analysis (Spring)

Intended to provide the student with an understanding of the relationship between financial statements produced in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and the informational content they provide. The course examines the differences between statements prepared using GAAP and cash flows that are generated by the firm. (Prerequisite: FIN 6406 Financial Management)

Note: This course does not provide academic credit for purposes of sitting for the CPA examination.

Faculty: Dr. Murad Antia

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7. FIN 6246 Money and Capital Markets

The study of the role of financial markets, instruments, and institutions in the economy. It includes the study of flow of funds, interest rate determination, and the pricing of capital assets. (Prerequisites: FIN 6406 Financial Management and ECO 6204 Global Economic Environment of Business)

Faculty: Dr. Sam Bulmash

8. FIN 6934 Financial Options and Futures

The study of markets, pricing, and applications of derivative securities, particularly, financial options, forwards, and futures. (Prerequisite: FIN 6406 Financial Management)

Faculty: Dr. Jianping Qi

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