Finance, BS

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Program Description

The finance department has a rich tradition of educating leaders who excel in all aspects of the discipline of finance. Whether ascending to the top ranks of the venture capital industry, executing multimillion dollar real estate deals or becoming successful entrepreneurs with their own ideas and drive, graduates of the BS program in finance from the W. P. Carey School of Business are equipped to succeed.

In particular, the Investment Banking Industry Scholars program mentors students interested in going to Wall Street. The student investment management fund provides undergraduates with the opportunity to manage a real-world investment portfolio worth hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Finance department faculty members are considered among the top in the world. The professional advisory board, comprised of leading professionals from the financial services, manufacturing, energy, investment banking and real estate sectors, provides a sounding board for new ideas and is a resource of jobs for top graduates.

At a Glance

- **College/School:** [W. P. Carey School of Business](#)
- **Location:** [Tempe campus](#)
- **Additional Program Fee:** Yes
- **Second Language Requirement:** No
- **First Required Math Course:** MAT 210 - Brief Calculus
- **Math Intensity:** Moderate

Required Courses (Major Map)
Concurrent Program Options

Students pursuing concurrent degrees (also known as a "double major") earn two distinct degrees and receive two diplomas. Working with their academic advisors, students can create their own concurrent degree combination. Some combinations are not possible due to high levels of overlap in curriculum.

Accelerated Program Options

This program allows students to choose a 3-year path while participating in the same high-quality educational experience of a 4-year option. Students can opt to fast-track their studies after acceptance into a participating program by connecting with their academic advisor. Fast track options appear at the top of the major map.

This program also allows students to obtain both a bachelor's and master's degree in as little as five years. It is offered as an accelerated bachelor's and master's degree with:

- Global Management (Creative Industries and Design Thinking), MGM
- Global Management (Digital Audience Strategy), MGM
- Global Management (Global Affairs), MGM
- Global Management (Global Business), MGM
- Global Management (Global Development and Innovation), MGM
- Global Management (Global Digital Transformation), MGM
- Global Management (Global Entrepreneurship), MGM
- Global Management (Global Health Care Delivery), MGM
- Global Management (Global Legal Studies), MGM
- Global Management (Integrated Health Care), MGM
- Global Management (Nonprofit Leadership and Management), MGM
- Global Management (Public Administration), MGM
- Global Management (Public Policy), MGM
- Global Management (Sustainability Solutions), MGM
- Global Management (Sustainable Tourism), MGM
- Global Management, MGM

Acceptance to the graduate program requires a separate application. During their junior year, eligible students are advised by their academic departments to apply.
Admission Requirements

General University Admission Requirements:
All students are required to meet general university admission requirements.

Freshman | Transfer | International | Readmission

Additional Requirements:

Freshmen admission requirements: 1230 SAT Reasoning OR 25 ACT score, OR graduated in the top 8% of high school class, OR an overall high school GPA of 3.40 in ASU competency courses (scale is 4.00 = "A").

Freshmen should select an additional major when applying for admission. Additional choices may include any of the W. P. Carey business BA programs or any other degree program outside of the W. P. Carey School of Business. Students who are not admissible to a W. P. Carey business BS major and who did not select a second major or are not admissible to their second major choice are placed in a business BA program in the W. P. Carey School of Business.

Readmission requirements: must meet freshman admission requirements by way of high school GPA, test score or class rank and must have a transfer GPA of 3.00 (if applicable) and a cumulative ASU GPA of 3.00.

Transfer Admission Requirements:

For students who hold 30 or more transfer credit hours after high school: transfer GPA of 3.00 and one of the following: 1160 (prior to March 2016) or 1230 SAT Reasoning (after March 2016) OR 25 ACT score OR the student must have graduated in the top 8% of their high school class OR an overall high school GPA of 3.40 in ASU competency courses (scale is 4.00 = "A").

Transfer students should select an additional major when applying for admission. Additional choices may include any of the W. P. Carey business BA programs or any other business or other degree program outside of the W. P. Carey School of Business.

Students with fewer than 45 transfer hours who are not admissible to a W. P. Carey School of Business major and who did not select a second major or are not admissible to their second major choice are placed in the exploratory social and behavioral sciences program in University College.

Students with more than 45 transfer hours who are not admissible to a W. P. Carey School of Business major and who did not select a second major or are not admissible to their second major choice are prompted in My ASU to select a new major.

Change of Major Requirements
Students should refer to the following W. P. Carey website to determine if they meet change of major requirements: https://students.wpcarey.asu.edu/degrees-and-advising/degree-programs/change-majors. Students ready to change their major should submit their request through W. P. Carey's Advising SOS: https://apps.wpcarey.asu.edu/apps/advising/index.cfm.

Students should refer to https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu for information about how to change a major to this program.

**Transfer Options**

ASU is committed to helping students thrive by offering tools that allow personalization of the transfer path to ASU. Students may use MyPath2ASU™ to outline a list of recommended courses to take prior to transfer.

ASU has transfer partnerships in Arizona and across the country to create a simplified transfer experience for students. These pathway programs include exclusive benefits, tools and resources, and they help students save time and money in their college journey. Students may learn more about these programs by visiting the admission site: https://admission.asu.edu/transfer/MyPath2ASU.

**Global Opportunities**

**Global Experience**

As globalization continues to impact the way people live and work, international experiences have become vital to success in every field of business. Through international study and internships, students gain valuable skills employers are looking for, including communication and interpersonal skills, flexibility, motivation and a global perspective on business applications worldwide.

The W. P. Carey School of Business recommends the following study abroad programs for students majoring in finance: https://mystudyabroad.asu.edu/students/major/wp-carey/finance.

**Career Opportunities**

Graduates are prepared for careers in:

- consulting
- corporate financial management
- depository institutions
- financial services
- investment banking
- investment management
- portfolio analysis
Career examples include but are not limited to those shown in the following list. Advanced degrees or certifications may be required for academic or clinical positions.

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* Data obtained from the Occupational Information Network (O*NET) under sponsorship of the U.S. Department of Labor/Employment and Training Administration (USDOL/ETA).

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