

Finance: The Language of Business

The **MS in Finance degree at Saint Peter's University** gives students the expertise to succeed in today's globalized financial world. Through our innovative curriculum taught by top scholars, graduates gain in-demand knowledge on a host of topics and are well-prepared to pass leading financial certification exams.



The Only Accelerated MS in Finance Program

Saint Peter's University offers an Accelerated Five-Year MS in Finance degree program for our undergraduates. This makes Saint Peter's University unique, because we are the only school in the Tri-State area to do so. In this program, undergraduates can take up to four graduate courses in their fourth year, while in their fifth year they transition to graduate studies full-time and complete the MS in Finance degree.



Our Unique Location

Saint Peter's University is located in Jersey City, New Jersey and only a few blocks from the Journal Square PATH subway station. This gives our MS in Finance degree program students many important advantages. First, they are only a minutes-long subway ride from New York City's Wall Street and Midtown districts, as well as Jersey City's Wall Street West—all major international financial centers. In addition, the close proximity of the three Tri-State train transit systems, the intersection of many regional interstates, and an abundance of water ferry services mean our MS in Finance degree program students can easily reach the numerous financial occupations located throughout New York City's Tri-State area.



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An Innovative Curriculum

The MS in Finance curriculum at Saint Peter’s University goes beyond the topics traditionally covered at other programs by:

- **Emphasizing a balance between macroeconomic and microeconomic aspects of finance**
- **Focusing on comparative central banking**
- **Stressing the history of financial economic thought**
- **Addressing issues of financial ethics**

We launched these innovations because in today’s globalized financial world, success requires financial professionals be proficient in these areas—something employers and financial certification boards adamantly prioritize.

Graduate Outcomes

The four features of our innovative curriculum, along with the more traditional MS in Finance topics and a thorough immersion in Bloomberg Technology, mean our graduates:

- Possess specialist, in-demand skill sets employers increasingly want
- Are better prepared for the leading financial professional certifications exams than at other MS in Finance programs

We designed our MS in Finance degree curriculum with these outcomes in mind, and our graduates get to reap the rewards.

Internships

The MS in Finance at Saint Peter’s University affords students the opportunity to develop industry experience and relationships through internships. Students are able to work with some of the most powerful and influential people in finance, economics, and business that the university has partnered with.

Career Opportunities

Including, but not limited to:

- Investment Banker
- Financial Analyst
- Financial Advisor
- Credit Underwriter
- Securities Broker
- Financial Consultant
- Insurance Specialist
- Financial Planner
- Actuary
- Commercial Banker
- Securities Trader
- Financial Examiner
- Supply-Chain Analyst
- Credit Analyst

Curriculum

Required Courses

EC-501	Advanced Macroeconomics	3 credits
EC-502	Advanced Microeconomics	3 credits
FN-503	History of Financial Economic Thought	3 credits
FN-504	Advanced Econometrics and Financial Modeling ¹	3 credits
FN-505	Global Money, Credit, and Banking	3 credits
FN-506	Advanced Corporate Finance ²	3 credits
FN-516	Financial Ethics ³	3 credits
FN-590	Internship/Mentored Research Project	3 credits

Concentrations (choose one)

Global Finance

FN-524	International Finance	3 credits
FN-554	Emerging Markets	3 credits

Quantitative Finance

FN-512	Advanced Investment Analysis and Portfolio Management	3 credits
FN-514	Financial Engineering and Derivatives	3 credits

Total: 30 credits

¹ It is highly recommended students take Mathematical Economics and Elements of Econometrics in preparation for this course.

² For Accelerated Five-Year students, this is recommended as replacement for FN-411: Financial Management.

³ For Accelerated Five-Year students, this is recommended as replacement for FN-416: Financial Ethics.



- Loan Officer
- Policy Analyst
- Purchasing Manager
- Business Manager
- Risk Analyst

The Faculty

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The MS in Finance at Saint Peter’s University allows students to learn from prominent scholars who have published on four different continents: North America, Europe, South America, and Asia. At the same time, students continuously work hand-in-hand with our instructors to guarantee personalized care. Our Program Director also works diligently with all students to craft a customized Program Completion Plan, enabling students to reach their goals.



Speaker Series

Each semester, our MS in Finance degree students can attend a speaker series where leading industry executives and scholars discuss an array of financial issues. This allows them to benefit from each speaker’s unique experiences and insights, and acquire valuable networking access. We also try to reserve a time for our MS in Finance students to privately meet with the guest for a more informal discussion.