

# Finance Major

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**Program:** Finance  
**Type:** Bachelor of Business Administration

## About

Today's financial and non-financial corporations are actively seeking bright individuals with the right knowledge for making sound financial decisions. As a finance major at VSB, you will learn finance theory alongside of technology, quantitative methods and communication, while also developing an understanding of global and ethical issues. A minor will supplement any business degree by providing greater financial acumen and critical thinking skills that enable you to add value to any organization.

Major in Finance leads to a degree of Bachelor of Business Administration.

## PRIMARY MAJOR (125 Credits)

125 credits are required to complete Finance as the primary major and the Bachelor of Business Administration degree. For students seeking the Bachelor of Business Administration, Honors degree and Finance as the primary major, 126 credits are required.

## Finance Major Courses (18 Credits)

Finance major requires **six (6)** unique FIN courses.

**Note:** FIN 2360, FIN 3350, FIN 3360, and FIN 3470 (6 cr.) do not count toward Finance elective courses.

<b>Course</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Credits</b>
FIN 2114	Intermediate Corp Finance	3
FIN 2227	Fixed Inc Markets & Valuation	3
FIN 2323	Equity Markets and Valuation	3
Plus three (3) Finance elective courses		

## Core Curriculum Requirements

[89 Credits](#)

## Electives

[18 Credits](#)

## Degree Credit Summary

- **Major Course Requirements:** 18 Credits
- **Core Curriculum Requirements:** 89 Credits
  - Liberal Arts & Sciences Curriculum (44 cr.)
  - Business Core Requirements (45 cr.)
- **Elective Requirements:** 18 Credits
- **Total Credits:** 125 Credits

## Additional Information

- All Arts and Sciences core courses, business core courses (*except VSB 0099 – 0 cr. and VSB 1000 – 1 cr.*), major courses, minor courses, and concentration courses must be taken for a letter grade.
- One credit courses {except ACC 2020, COM 5300, EGEN 2100 (for Engineering EENT or EESI minor), FIN 2121, VSB 1000, VSB 2000, VSB 2121, and VSB 3000} **may not** satisfy degree requirements, including free electives.
  - Three ACC 2020 (1 cr.) on the following topics may satisfy a free elective requirement:
    - Introduction to Forensics for Accountants
    - Introduction to Deals Advisory for Accountants
    - Introduction to Digital & Cyber-security for Accountants
  - Three COM 5300 (1 cr.) on different topics may satisfy a non-business or a free elective requirement.
- An “S/U” grade (Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory Option) is only permitted for a non-business elective or free electives. See the [Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory Option](#) section for more information.
- **A course that fulfills a major and co-major requirement can satisfy a maximum of two requirements - no triple dipping.** For example, MGT 3170 cannot fulfill a [Management major](#), a [Business Analytics co-major](#), AND a [Free Elective](#).

## SECONDARY MAJOR (18 Credits)

Students who declare Finance as a **secondary major** must complete all finance major courses to earn this major. Secondary finance major courses may fulfill the free elective requirements.

### Category Descriptions

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