Finance (MSF)

The graduate program in finance gives students opportunities for specialized study in behavioral finance, corporate finance, investments, financial intermediaries, international finance, energy, and finance and real estate.

Option I: The Master of Science in Finance Option I degree program is offered only to students enrolled in the doctoral program in marketing. This degree is offered in three options: with thesis, with report, and without thesis or report.

Option III: The Master of Science in Finance Option III degree program is designed for students pursuing a terminal master's degree in Finance. Coursework is designed to teach rigorous and innovative content that will provide students with master's level knowledge, skills, and abilities in the field of finance. The Master of Science in Finance degree has been identified by the Department of Homeland Security as a STEM-eligible program for purposes of fulfilling the Optional Practical Training (OPT) extension requirement.

Graduate Handbook

Graduate handbook information is updated and maintained by each program. Graduate handbooks are available within each program's office and online. Please contact the program with concerns or questions.

Admission

Admission to the program is extremely competitive. The admission decision is based on a holistic review process that includes the applicant's academic record, test scores, personal statement, resume, and letters of recommendation.

Students must enter the Master of Science in Finance Option III program in the summer semester. Applicants admitted to the Master of Science in Finance Option III program will be required to submit a nonrefundable enrollment deposit to secure enrollment in the program.

The MS Bridge Program offers undergraduate students at The University of Texas at Austin an opportunity to prepare for future graduate study by providing access to courses and program resources that normally require graduate standing. University of Texas at Austin undergraduate students may apply for admission through the graduate academic unit sponsoring the bridge program. Admission to a bridge program is highly competitive and does not guarantee admission to a graduate degree program. Additional information can be found at MS Bridge Program.

Total hours required: 30

Hours required with Thesis: 30

Hours required with Report: 33

Hours required without thesis or report: 36

Requirements

The Master of Science in Finance is offered in three options: with thesis, with report, and without thesis or report. The thesis option requires at least 30 semester hours of credit; the report option, at least 33 hours; and the option without thesis or report, at least 36 hours. The Master of Science in Finance Option III requires 36 hours and is without thesis or report. All coursework must be logically related, and the student's entire program must be approved by the student's primary advisor and the graduate advisor. The Graduate Studies Committee's approval is not required.

Code	Title	Hours
All students must also follow the following requirements and policies:		
Graduate Business Requirements		
Graduate University Requirements		