

MBA Concentration –CORPORATE FINANCE AND BANKING

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Description	<p>The ‘Corporate Finance and Banking’ concentration rigorously prepares students for careers in corporate financial management. Our Corporate Finance and Banking curriculum relies heavily on quantitative models as a means of augmenting each student’s financial toolkit, but equally important is its careful application to real-world financial problems. Students who follow this concentration will be well prepared for careers in commercial and investment banking and corporate finance.</p> <p>Such careers include, but are not limited to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>investment banking</i> on the corporate finance side <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • activities include M&A advising, raising debt or equity capital for firms, and financial advising 2. <i>financial manager</i> for a non-financial firm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • activities include project evaluation, capital structure decisions, risk management, and performance measurement 3. <i>commercial banker</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • activities on the wholesale side include fostering lending relationships with clients in corporations, real estate developers, and institutions; whereas on the retail consumer side, the lending relationship extends to personal loans, mortgages, and small-business loans 4. <i>financial consultant</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • activities include advising firms on financial planning issues and firm expenditures <p>Below, we suggest a path through the Olin finance curriculum that you might find useful if you plan a career in Banking or Corporate Finance. We believe that maximum value can be derived from this concentration by pursuing the Primary Electives and then supplementing those with additional Suggested Electives. We also recommend several electives outside of finance which are important complements. Finally, please note that at times finance electives offered may change and the track recommendations may be amended as well.</p>

Course	Units	Primary or Suggested Elective	Suggested Semester (schedules are subject to change)	Prerequisites (in addition to appropriate core courses)/Notes
FIN 534 ACF I – Valuation	1.5	Primary	Spring year 1	
FIN 534B ACF II – Financing	1.5	Primary	Spring year 1	FIN 534
FIN 523B Mergers & Acquisitions	1.5	Primary	SP yr 1 or SP yr 2	FIN 534; Take in yr 1 if this is internship target
FIN 532 Investment Theory	1.5	Primary	Fall year 2	
ACCT 501B Financial Accounting B	1.5	Primary	Spring year 1	
ACCT 503 Business Analysis Using Financial Statements	1.5	Primary	Fall year 2	ACCT 501B
ACCT 503B Advanced Business Analysis Using Financial Statements	1.5	Primary	Fall year 2	ACCT 503
FIN 528 Investment Praxis	3.0	Primary	Spring year 2	FIN 534 and FIN 532
FIN 524 Options & Futures	1.5	Primary	FL yr 2 or SP yr 1	
FIN 524B Derivative Securities	1.5	Suggested	FL yr 2 or SP yr 1	FIN 524; This sequence critical for careers in a corporate treasury office
FIN 533 Real Option Valuation	1.5	Suggested	Fall year 2	FIN 524 strictly required; FIN 524B and FIN 534 are strongly recommended
FIN 532B Data Analysis for Investments	1.5	Suggested	Fall year 2	FIN 532
FIN 549H Real Estate Finance	1.5	Suggested	Fall year 2	
FIN 521 Financial Intermediation	1.5	Suggested	Fall year 2	critical for careers in commercial banking
FIN 530 International Finance	1.5	Suggested	Fall or Spring year 2	critical for careers in in non-financial firms
FIN 525 Fixed Income Securities	1.5	Suggested	Spring year 2	FIN 524 and FIN 524B critical for careers in a corporate Treasury office
FIN 551 Adv Fixed Income & Credit Risk Modeling	2.0	Suggested	Spring year 2	FIN 524, FIN 524B and FIN 525
FIN 531 Venture Capital & Private Equity	1.5	Suggested	Spring year 2	At least one of the following recommended: FIN 534, FIN 523B, FIN 549F, ACCT 503
Non-Finance Courses Recommended				
MGT 550F Critical Thinking Processes & Modeling for Effective Decision Making	3.0	Suggested	SP yr 1 or SP year 2	
ACCT 501B Financial Accounting B	1.5	Suggested	Spring year 1	
MEC 592 Competitive Industry Analysis	3.0	Suggested	Spring year 1	
MEC 595 Market Competition & Value Appropriation	3.0	Suggested	Spring year 2	MEC 592
MGT 534 Corporate Strategy	1.5	Suggested	Fall year 2	
OB 561 Negotiation & Conflict Mgt	1.5	Suggested	FL yr 2 or SP yr 2	
Additional Information:				
Club/Organization: Olin Finance Club Case Competitions: Tulane, Emory CEL Programs: Practicum, The Hatchery				