

MBA Concentration – INVESTMENTS & ASSET MANAGEMENT

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| Coordinator | Professor Hong Liu |
| Description | <p>The 'Investments and Asset Management' concentration rigorously prepares students for careers in securities sales and trading and portfolio management. The course of study is necessarily technical, yet applications to practice are abundant. Such careers include, but are not limited to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>investment banking</i> on the sales & trading side <ul style="list-style-type: none"> activities include the sale of equity and fixed income securities to institutions and individual investors <i>investment banking</i> on the research analyst side <ul style="list-style-type: none"> activities include the production of quantitative research of either equity or fixed income securities <i>portfolio management</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> activities include managing asset portfolios for mutual fund families or hedge funds, corporate pension plans, charitable endowments, and high net-worth individuals <p>Below, we are suggesting a path through the Olin finance curriculum that you might find useful if you plan a career in Investments or Asset Management. 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 requirements may be amended as well.</p> |

| Course | Units | Primary or Suggested Electives | Suggested Semester (schedules subject to change) | Prerequisites (in addition to appropriate core courses)/Notes |
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| FIN 524 Options & Futures | 1.5 | Primary | Spring year 1 | |
| FIN 524B Derivative Securities | 1.5 | Primary | Spring year 1 | FIN 524 |
| FIN 532 Investment Theory | 1.5 | Primary | Fall year 2 | |
| FIN 532B Data Analysis for Investments | 1.5 | Primary | Fall year 2 | FIN 532 |
| FIN 528 Investment Praxis | 3.0 | Primary | Spring year 2 | FIN 534, FIN 532 |
| FIN 525 Fixed-Income Securities | 1.5 | Primary – Fixed Income Track | Spring year 2 | FIN 524, FIN 524B |
| FIN 551 Adv. Fixed Income & Credit Risk Modeling | 2.0 | Primary – Fixed Income Track | Spring year 2 | FIN 524, FIN 524B and FIN 525 |
| FIN 537 Adv Derivative Securities | 3.0 | Primary – Derivatives Track | Spring year 2 | FIN 524, FIN 524B |
| FIN 534 Adv Corp Fin I – Valuation | 1.5 | Primary | SP yr 1 or FL yr 2 | |
| FIN 534B Adv Corp Fin II – Financing | 1.5 | Suggested | SP yr 1 or FL yr 2 | FIN 534 |
| FIN 521 Financial Intermediation | 1.5 | Suggested | Fall year 2 | |
| FIN 549H Real Estate Finance | 1.5 | Suggested | Fall year 2 | |
| FIN 530 International Finance | 1.5 | Suggested | Spring year 2 | |
| FIN 531 Venture Capital & Private Equity | 1.5 | Suggested | Spring year 2 | At least one of the following recommended: FIN 534, FIN 523B, ACCT 503 |
| Suggested Non-Finance Courses | | | | |
| ACCT 501B Financial Accounting B | 1.5 | Suggested | Spring year 1 | |
| ACCT 503 Business Analysis Using Financial Statements | 1.5 | Suggested | Fall year 2 | ACCT 501B |
| ACCT 503B Advanced Business Analysis Using Financial Statements | 1.5 | Suggested | Fall year 2 | ACCT 503 |
| MGT 550F Critical Thinking Processes & Modeling for Effective Decision Making | 3.0 | Suggested | SP yr 1 or SP year 2 | |
| Additional Information: | | | | |
| Club/Organization: Olin Finance Club Case Competitions: Tulane | | | | |