**Bachelor of Science in Business**

**Finance Option Worksheet 2024-2025**

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- **Explore minors**
- **Plan ahead for study abroad**
- **Check your non-bus/non-econ elective count**

- **Transition from Office of Student Services Advisors to Faculty Advisor**
- **Explore internship opportunities**

- **Submit Pre-Graduation Worksheet (PGW)**
- **Check total credit count**

### University Core
- **US [University Seminar] = BGEN 104US**
- **W [Writing] = WRIT 101W**
- **Q [Quantitative Reasoning] = M 161Q**
- **D [Diversity]**
- **CS [Contemporary Issues in Science]**
- **IN [Natural Science]**
- **IA/RA [Art]**
- **IH [Humanities]**
- **IS [Social Science (IS) = ECNS 101IS**
- **R [Research] = BFIN 420R**

### Non-Business/Non-Economics Electives:
- 48 credits outside of business, econ & ag business (ECNS 101, ECNS 202, ECNS 204, BMGT 240 are included)

### Take 2 Finance (BFIN) Electives (6 credits):
- BFIN 317-American Financial Inst (Fall only)
- BFIN 421—Real Estate (usually Fall & Spring)
- BFIN 456—Entrepreneurial Finance (usually Fall)
- BFIN 458—Com Bank Mgmt (usually Spring)
- BFIN 461—Portfolio Mgmt (usually Fall & Spring)
- BFIN 498—Internship (Fall, Spring & Summer)*
- ACTG 401—Fed Income Tax (usually Fall & Spring)
- ACTG 328—Inter Accounting (usually Fall & Spring)
- ECNS 301—Inter Micro w/ Calc (usually Fall & Spring)
- ECNS 303—Inter Macro w/Calc (usually Fall & Spring)
- ECNS 345—Ag Fin & Credit An (usually Fall)
- ECNS 403R—Econometrics (usually Fall)
- ECNS 406—Industrial Organizations (usually Fall)
- STAT 411—Data Analysis I (usually Fall & Spring)

*counts as 1 elective
Here’s what you need to know:

Academic Planning is ESSENTIAL for timely graduation.

Grades of ‘C’- or better are required for pre-requisite & required courses in majors, minors, and for all university core requirements. 2.0 cumulative GPA is required to graduation from MSU.

Plan for pre-requisites; they are enforced:
- You can see pre-requisites in DegreeWorks or in the online course catalog
- The computer WILL NOT let you register for a course for which you don’t have the pre-requisite.

Key Finance Pre-Req Sequences:
* BFIN 357 —> BFIN 420R, BFIN 435 & BFIN 460
* BFIN 322, BMKT 325, BMGT 335, BMIS 312, BGEN 361 & BMGT 322 —> BGEN 499

You get electives; use them wisely! Recommended electives:

Non-business/non-economics electives:
- 40% of 120 (48 credits) required
- Use DegreeWorks to track your progress
- Don’t leave them until your senior year!

120 total credits are required to graduate from MSU (in any major). Use DegreeWorks to count your credits. Most Business majors need a handful of free electives to reach 120 total credits.

Residency Policies:
- Jabs: Of the upper-division credits required for business students, at least 18 credits and BGEN 499 (4 credits) must be taken at Jabs.
- MSU: 23 of your last 30 credits must be taken at MSU (does not include study abroad).

How does advising in Jabs work?
- New students (1st year & transfer) and all 1st & 2nd year students are advised by professional advisors in the Jabs Office of Student Service (OSS).
- As students move into year 3 & 4 they transition to a faculty advisor.
- All students work with Jabs Office of Student Services to apply for graduation and have their degree certified. See below.

Need to meet with an advisor?
We have appointments & drop-in advising!

You have to APPLY to graduate!
1. Submit pre-graduation worksheet (PGW) signed by your advisor one year prior to graduation.
   - Spring grads = May 1; Fall grads = Dec 1 of the previous year!
2. Your degree is certified = confirm you are on track for graduation & enter certification note in DegreeWorks.
3. You apply for graduation in MyInfo. Application is ‘unlocked’ by the DegreeWorks certification note.

Ready to graduate? Here’s the PGW form:

Questions? Need Help?
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