

Master of Applied Finance (MAppFin)



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Program



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Develop the knowledge and skills to get work-ready as a finance professional in local and global business.

Quick facts

Programme type: Postgraduate

Points: 180

Duration: Full-time: 15 months, part-time available (domestic students)

Location: City Campus

Intake: September

What will I learn?

In the MAppFin, you will develop a rigorous understanding of the core concepts of finance that shape our capital markets.

You will build on this foundation to develop practical and analytical skills to solve complex financial problems and make informed decisions.

You will also develop a strong portfolio of professional skills that will enable you to communicate effectively to both technical and non-technical audiences.

Specialisations & Industry Project

In Part II of the programme, you will be able to choose any two courses out of a range of specialisation courses being offered.

You will also engage in an industry-based consultancy project which provides experience in solving financial challenges in a live business context.

Is this programme for me?

Entry requirements:

- An undergraduate degree in business or a non-business degree from a recognised university.
- A GPA/GPE of 5.0 in the most advanced courses taken.
- Pass in an undergraduate level course in business statistics (STATS 108), general mathematics (MATHS 108) or equivalent.

International students must have an IELTS score of 6.5 with no bands below 6.0, or equivalent.

Applicants without prior finance study are welcome, but should be aware that they will be studying alongside students who have existing finance training.

A Postgraduate Certificate in Applied Finance is also available. It is a shorter qualification and can be used as a pathway to the MAppFin.

Email us with enquiries using the details below.

Career opportunities

You will be equipped with advanced knowledge and practical skills to succeed in finance-oriented roles and across the financial services sector. Relevant roles include:

- Corporate Finance Analyst
- Investment Analyst
- Financial Consultant
- Investment Banking Analyst
- Portfolio Analyst/Manager
- Equity Analyst
- Treasury Analyst
- Risk Analyst

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1. Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2026; QS World University Rankings 2026.

2. QS Times Higher Education Global University Employability Ranking 2026.

3. Triple Crown accreditation from AACSB International, EFMD-EQUIS and AMBA.

MAppFin programme course structure

1. The Master of Applied Finance is a 15-month coursework masters programme studied over five quarters.
2. 180 points must be taken to complete the programme.
3. The programme is structured in two parts. Part I comprises 105 points and addresses core finance and related topics.
Part II comprises 75 points covering your specialisation courses, the industry project and a consultancy practice course.

Part I: 105 points

15 point core courses (all seven must be completed)	Quarters available
BUSFIN 700 Business Accounting and Finance	Quarter 4
BUSFIN 701 Economics for Financial Analysts	Quarter 4
BUSFIN 702 Financial Markets Law	Quarter 1
BUSFIN 703 Corporate Finance	Quarter 1
BUSFIN 704 Investment Decision-making	Quarter 2
BUSFIN 705 Financial Risk Management	Quarter 2
BUSFIN 706 Advanced Financial Management	Quarter 3

Part II: 75 points

Course	Points	Quarters available
Two specialisation courses (30 points) chosen from*:		
BUSFIN 710 Financial Modelling Techniques	15	Quarter 3
BUSFIN 711 Financial Analytics Applications	15	Quarter 3
BUSFIN 712 Sustainable Finance	15	Quarter 3
BUSFIN 716 Alternative Investments	15	Quarter 3
Industry project:		
BUSFIN 730 Applied Finance Industry Project	30	Quarter 4
BUSFIN 707 Consultancy Practice	15	Quarter 4

Standard structure for completion of MAppFin (15 months)

Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
BUSFIN 700 (15 pts) BUSFIN 701 (15 pts)	BUSFIN 702 (15 pts) BUSFIN 703 (15 pts)	BUSFIN 704 (15 pts) BUSFIN 705 (15 pts)	BUSFIN 706 (15 pts) Specialisation Course I (15 pts) Specialisation Course II (15 pts)	BUSFIN 707 (15 pts) BUSFIN 730 (30 pts)
30 points	30 points	30 points	45 points	45 points
Total points across programme: 180				

*Which specialisation courses are offered will depend on factors including student enrolments.