The UC Irvine Paul Merage School of Business offers an innovative, new Master of Finance (MFin) program that provides extensive, practical training for quantitative and analytical jobs in the field of finance. This one-year program, taught by world-class faculty and leading researchers, thoroughly prepares students for entry and mid-level finance positions such as risk management, asset and wealth management, real estate management, and forecasting.

**Program Structure**

Students are required to complete no less than 13 courses including 6 required courses and a minimum of 52 units.

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Students can select from a number of elective offerings available through the School's Fully Employed MBA program and those offered through the Merage School's Master of Professional Accountancy program and the Real Estate program. Please contact us at [mfin@merage.uci.edu](mailto:mfin@merage.uci.edu) with any questions.
Admission Requirements

Applicants may apply online and must meet all prerequisite requirements at the time of matriculation into the program.

Admission to graduate standing in The Paul Merage School of Business is accorded to those possessing an undergraduate degree with an acceptable level of scholarship from an institution of recognized standing. A quantitative background in subjects such as calculus and intermediate statistics and probability is encouraged, so undergraduate degrees in sciences, engineering, mathematics, and in some economics and business programs are recommended. Applicants for admission will be evaluated on their academic record and potential for leadership as demonstrated in submitted application materials including:

- Official transcripts from all institutions attended to obtain undergraduate degree (with English translation if needed)
- Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT) or Graduate Record Examination (GRE) scores
- Two letters of recommendation
- Statement of purpose essay
- Resume
- Official TOEFL, PTE, or IELTS (international applicants)
- $150 application fee
- A personal interview (by invitation only)

Additional recommended but not required qualifications:

- Post-university work experience or research experience in a quantitative discipline
- Prior exposure in computation programming, such as C++ or familiarity with computational or risk management tools
- Experience with statistical and econometric applications, such as SAS, STATA, MATLAB, R, S-Plus
- Experience with mathematical tools, such as MATLAB or Mathematica

Test of English as a Foreign Language:
Those students educated in a country where English is not the primary language will be required to possess a minimum score on the Test of English for Foreign Language (TOEFL) of 600 for the “paper-based” test and 80 for the “Internet-based” test. International applicants may also take the Pearson Test of English (PTE). The minimum required score for admission is 53. Scores are valid for two years.