Master of Finance

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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 with any questions.
Career Advising

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Financial Aid

Pursuing your MFin degree is an important investment in your future—that is why the Merage School has dedicated professionals working on your behalf in our Financial Aid office. When you meet with our staff, they will share information with you regarding loan programs and merit-based fellowships.

For more information on financial support, contact Alda Ruggiero in the Financial Aid office at 949.824.7967 or aruggier@uci.edu.

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.

Application Deadlines

Applications are submitted online and are evaluated as they are received. Admissions decisions are usually made within four weeks after the interview. Deadlines and additional application information is available at merage.uci.edu/go/Mfin.