Program Highlights and Benefits

- STEM-designated (36 months of Optional Practical Training)
- GMAT/GRE WAIVED for qualified applicants
- Prepares for positions in risk, asset, wealth and real estate management and corporate finance
- A capstone course with industry-based experiential projects
- Located in economically thriving Orange County, the heart of Southern California’s Tech Coast
- Affiliation with the CFA Institute and helps students obtain the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) charter

Capstone Project

The Capstone Project provides students an opportunity to work on real-life finance problems with industry partners. During the spring and summer quarters, students will work in teams led by a faculty advisor and the sponsor organization to create valuable collateral that will ultimately be presented to the Merage School faculty and staff, and the host organization.

Sample Electives

- Behavioral Finance
- Bonds and Fixed Income
- Corporate Finance Management
- Financial Econometrics
- Financial Statement Analysis
- FinTech
- Fundamentals of Financial Analysis
- Investments
- Machine Learning
- Management of Real Estate Enterprise
- Mergers and Acquisition
- Multinational Finance
- Portfolio Management
- Programming and Data Analytics
- Real Estate Security Analysis
- Real Estate Transactions
- Venture Capital and Private Equity
- Wealth Management

Program Curriculum

Fall
- ProSeminar
- Foundations of Finance
- Financial Reporting
- Investments Management

Winter
- ProSeminar
- Derivatives
- Financial Research & Methodology
- Electives

Spring
- ProSeminar
- Risk Management
- Electives

Summer
- ProSeminar
- Capstone Project
- Electives
MFin Fall 2023 Cohort

Class Profile
Applications Received 986
Class Size 117
Average GPA 3.50
Average Work Experience 2.42
Percentage of domestic students 29%
Age Range 22-50
Women 49% Men 51%

Next Steps
- Meet with admissions staff
- Connect with a student ambassador
- Attend an event
- Apply

Admission Requirements
- Official transcripts (with English translation if needed)
- GMAT or GRE scores are not required but strongly recommended for applicants with GPAs below 3.3
- Two letters of recommendation
- Two essays
- Resume
- Official TOEFL or IELTS (if applicable)
- $150 application fee
- Personal interview (by invitation only)

Application Deadlines
October 15
November 15
January 15
March 1*
May 1
June 1**

* Final deadline for international applicants; we highly recommend all application materials, including recommendations, be submitted by this date to ensure sufficient time for visa processing.
** Qualified applications received may be reviewed on a space-available basis.

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Undergraduate Degrees
- Business Administration 64.7%
- Biological Sciences 0.9%
- Economics 25.0%
- Other 1.6%
- Humanities 2.6%
- Social Sciences 0.9%
- Engineering 2.6%
- Information & Computer Science 1.7%

Countries and Regions Represented
Canada, China, Great Britain, India, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, Saudi Arabia, South Korea, Spain, Taiwan, UAE, USA

Undergraduate Universities Represented
- UC Irvine 9.4%
- Other UC Schools 12.8%
- Other CA Schools 13.7%
- Other U.S. Schools 26.5%
- International Schools 37.6%