FINANCE OPTION
Career Areas/Job Titles

The Option in Finance is designed to prepare students for careers in financial management in all types of businesses, firms, and financial institutions. Students studying the field of finance take course work in corporate finance in which they study the effects of projects and financial policy on stockholder wealth. They study capital budgeting, project cost of capital, dividend policy, debt policy, leasing policy, and option pricing. Students examine different types of investments and their relative merits and the role of financial institutions, including the study of asset and liability management in commercial banks and saving institutions.

Career Areas/Job Titles
Stock Broker
Commodities Trader
Foreign Exchange Trader
Business Analyst
Credit Manager
Mutual Fund Manager
Investor Relations Specialist
Financial Planner/Consultant
Certified Financial Analyst
Investment Banker
Credit Counselor
Insurance Agent
Loan Processor
Property Manager
Real Estate
Investor/Developer
Risk Manager

Transferable Skills
Excel and Database Skills
Developing Evaluation Strategies
Research and Gathering Information
Forecasting and Predicting
Strategic Planning
Quantitative Reasoning
Data Modeling and Analysis
Analytical and Critical Thinking Problem Solving

Professional Links
- American Bankers Association: http://www.aba.com/
- The American Finance Association: http://www.afajof.org/
- Association for Financial Professionals: http://www.afponline.org/
- Commercial Finance Association: https://www.cfa.com/eweb/
- National Association of Personal Financial Advisors: www.napfa.org
- US Department of the Treasury: http://www.treasury.gov/Pages/default.aspx

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