DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

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Overview
Finance involves the study of financial markets and institutions, the valuation of financial assets, and the use of those assets to accumulate wealth and/or mitigate risk. Virtually every business activity requires the deployment of financial capital; thus, the field of finance is relevant across the spectrum of economic activity. Saint Louis University students obtaining a degree in finance have opportunities in investment and risk management, capital acquisition and consulting.

The Department of Finance at SLU’s Richard A. Chaifetz School of Business ([https://www.slu.edu/business/](https://www.slu.edu/business/)) is a Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) University Affiliated Program. This initiative is a relationship between the CFA Institute and select colleges and universities worldwide that have embedded a significant percentage (70%) of the CFA Program Candidate Body of Knowledge into their degree programs. Only 261 U.S. schools are CFA University Affiliated Programs.

Additionally, affiliated institutions have committed to covering CFA Institute ethical and professional standards in their degree programs. Recognition as a CFA University Affiliate signals to potential students, current students and the marketplace that the university’s curriculum is closely tied to professional practice and is well suited to preparing students to sit for the CFA exams.

Programs

Undergraduate Programs

Graduate Programs
- Finance, M.S. ([https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/business/finance/finance-ms/](https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/business/finance/finance-ms/))

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