

UNION GRADUATE COLLEGE

MEETING THE CHALLENGES OF STRATEGIC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Corporations throughout the world realize the tremendous value that sound financial management strategies bring to their organizations. Effective financial management is of critical importance in an increasingly competitive global environment, to guide an organization's progress in achieving successful financial outcomes. Financial Managers need excellent quantitative and interpersonal skills to solve financial problems in an arena of technological innovation and change, and complex work and legal situations.

The Certificate Program in Financial Management at Union Graduate College prepares students to meet these challenges.

DISTINGUISHED FACULTY

Dedicated faculty combine significant teaching experience with active research agendas and industry ties to provide instruction that is current, rigorous and practical.

TRIMESTER SCHEDULING

Union Graduate College operates on a trimester system: three rigorous ten-week terms that allow motivated students to accomplish more within the academic year (September - June), and provide greater flexibility in scheduling courses. In addition to the three ten-week terms, some courses are offered in one of two five-week intensive summer terms (July - August).

STATE-OF-THE ART CURRICULUM

The curriculum is strategic in nature, preparing managers for career advancement opportunities. It provides opportunities for networking, sharing "real-world" experience and providing what is learned to the workplace.

Students must take six courses for the certificate. Required courses are indicated with an asterisk. All course pre-requisites must be met.

- Financial Accounting*** (MBA 510)
- Managerial Accounting*** (MBA 512)
- Advanced Corporate Finance** (MBA 517)
- Personal Financial Planning** (MBA 611)
- Investments** (MBA 619)
- International Finance** (MBA 661)
- Money, Markets and Banking** (MBA 629)
- Statistical Models for Management** (MBA 506)
- Investment Management** (MBA 620)
- MBA elective

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Prospective students must have all these elements to have their applications considered complete:

First page of the application
\$60 application fee
Three letters of recommendation
Official transcripts of college-level work
Essay
Resume
(GMAT not required)

MATRICULATED STATUS

Students may enroll in two courses with non-matriculated status before admission to the certificate program. However, application must be made and admission granted prior to registration in a third course. Students who earn two “C”s in the certificate program will not be permitted to continue in the certificate program. No appeals for reinstatement will be considered.

APPLYING FOR MBA DURING/AFTER COMPLETION OF CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

Students enrolled in a Union Graduate College Certificate Program may apply to the MBA or MBA in Healthcare Management program during or after completion of the certificate program. The Graduate Management Admissions test (GMAT) is required. If the student is accepted into an MBA program, up to four (4) courses taken for the Certificate in Financial Management may be transferable to the MBA.

APPLYING FOR A CERTIFICATE PROGRAM WHILE IN THE MBA PROGRAM

Students already in the MBA Program who are interested in a certificate must complete the certificate program application, along with the \$60 application fee within the first week of the winter term of the year of expected graduation. The \$60 fee will be assessed each time an application is processed.

For MBA students wishing to get a certificate, up to four (4) applicable courses from the MBA program can be used for the certificate. This means two additional courses beyond the requirements for the MBA degree will be required for each certificate.

GMAT/TRANSFERS/WAIVERS

- No more than two courses may be waived with replacement courses. Those replacements must be selected from the courses listed on the Certificate Program Sheet.
- Only two courses can double-count between all Certificate Programs
- Independent Studies will not be accepted.

COSTS

- All courses taken are at the current School of Management tuition rate (\$2540 for 2009-2010)
- There is a one-time Resource Fee of \$150 at time of admission.

For more information, admission requirements and application materials contact:

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