Minor in Finance (Total hours: 24-34)

The minor in finance is suggested for students with strong analytical skills and an interest in the finance field. Students wishing to apply for the minor in finance must fill out the attached application once the following pre-admission requirements are met. To earn the minor, students must have a grade of C or above for each required course.

Pre-admission Requirements (6-7)
Retention in the finance minor is competitive based on the student’s overall GPA. Students must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75, and must have earned a grade of "C" or better in the following courses:
ACCY 206, Introductory Financial Accounting (3),  
OR ACCY 288, Fundamentals of Accounting (3)
UBUS 223, Introduction to Business Statistics (3),  
OR STAT 301, Elementary Statistics (4),  
OR STAT 350, Introduction to Probability and Statistics (3)

Prerequisite Requirements(6-12) (Students are required to follow all prerequisites in the current Undergraduate Catalog)
*ACCY 306, Financial Accounting Information for Business Decisions (3),  
OR ACCY 331, Financial Reporting I (3) (Accounting majors only)
FINA 320, Principles of Finance (3),  
OR UBUS 310, Business Core Lecture (9), AND UBUS 311, Business Core Application (3)

Requirements (12)
*FINA 330, Corporate Finance (3)
*FINA 340, Investments (3)
*FINA 350, Financial Markets and Institutions (3)

*The Finance Core must be completed with a C or better before enrolling in any 400-level finance courses.  
(A student may not repeat more than one of the Finance Core courses.)

One course from the following list must also be successfully completed (3):
FINA 430, Treasury and Credit Management  
FINA 440, Security Analysis and Portfolio Management  
FINA 450, Commercial Bank Management  
FINA 455, Analysis of Derivative Securities  
FINA 460, Analysis of Fixed Income Securities  
FINA 470, International Finance  
FINA 485, Financial Process and Policy

Certificate in Finance (Total Hours: 21-31)

Pre-admission Requirements: Same as Minor in Finance
Requirements: (15- 24)
FINA 320, Principles of Finance (3),  
OR UBUS 310, Business Core Lecture (9), AND UBUS 311, Business Core Application (3)
*ACCY 306, Financial Accounting Information for Business Decisions (3),  
OR ACCY 331, Financial Reporting I (3) (Accounting majors only)
*FINA 330, Corporate Finance (3)
*FINA 340, Investments (3)
*FINA 350, Financial Markets and Institutions (3)
Application for Finance Minor or Certificate

Please circle for which you are applying: Minor or Certificate

Date __________________________ 

Name __________________________________ Zid# __________________________ 

Major __________________________ Current Minor __________________________ (If applicable)

Expected Date of Graduation __________________________

Telephone ( ) __________________________ E-mail __________________________

Total NIU Hours/GPA __________________________ Transfer Hours/GPA __________________________

Overall GPA __________________________

Please list grades for any of the following courses you have taken:

ACCY 206 _________ or ACCY 288 ________

UBUS 223 _________ or STAT 301 ________ or STAT 350 ________

Please mark the semester you plan to take or have completed the following courses:

UBUS 310/311 or FINA 320 ________ FINA 340 ________

ACCY 306 or ACCY 331 ________ FINA 350 ________

FINA 330 ________ FINA 400- ________

For Office Use Only:

Application Received: __________ Letter sent: __________ [ ] Accept [ ] Deny

Semester: [ ] Fall ______ [ ] Spring______

Graduated: __________