

BSc (Hons) International Business Finance – LM306

1. Objectives

This Programme is designed for those students seeking to work in the fields of business finance and financial services. The forces of globalization have rendered more complex and competitive the industries in which firms are operating. Consequently, it is vital that students are able to identify, analyse and solve the problems, as future managers or consultants in multinational companies. In this respect, the aim of this programme in International Business Finance is to provide students the basic skills and knowledge to embark on a finance-oriented career in the growing global economy. As such this programme will help students to understand how international business is conducted, with a focus on developing the managerial skills needed in an interconnected world. Students will learn how to develop their problem-solving and critical thinking skills within the context of trading across national boundaries. In addition, it will provide a stepping stone to students who are interested in enrolling on professionally recognised qualifications such as the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) programme.

2. General Entry Requirements

In accordance with General Entry Requirements for admission to the University for Undergraduate Degrees.

3. Programme Requirement

A Pass in Mathematics at Advanced Level.

4. Minimum Requirements for Awards

(i) Degree Award

Core & Elective Structure	Credits
CORE MODULES	
Finance & Accounting	90
Law	9
Management	6
ELECTIVES	0
Total	105

(ii) Diploma Award

The diploma is provided as a possible exit point in the programme at the end of Year 2. A student may opt for a **Diploma in International Business Finance** provided s/he satisfies the minimum requirements, as specified below.

Core Structure	Credits
CORE MODULES	
Finance & Accounting	54
Law and Management	6
Total	60

5. **Programme Duration**

	Normal	Maximum
Diploma:	2 years	3 years
Degree:	3 years	5 years

6. **Credits per Year:** Maximum 48 credits, Minimum 18 credits subject to Regulation 5.

7. **Minimum Credits Required for Degree Award: 105**

For the award of the **BSc (Hons) International Business Finance Degree**, the student must obtain at least 105 credits (see 4 above).

8. **Assessment**

Each module will be assessed over 100 marks (i.e. expressed as %) with details as follows (unless otherwise specified):

Assessment will be based on written examination (of 2 to 3-hour duration, as specified) and continuous assessment carrying a range of 20% to 30% of total marks including the following modules:

Module	Continuous Assessment	Written Examination
DFA 2034Y(3) -Investment and Security Analysis	30% (includes 15% for a class or lab-based test)	70%
DFA 3012Y(5) – Options Strategies and Applied Financial Modelling	30% (includes 15% for a class or lab-based test)	70%

Continuous assessment may be based on laboratory work and/or assignments and should include **at least one class test**. For all modules taught in semester 1, there will be a compulsory class test at the end of semester 1 of the given academic year unless stated otherwise in the Programme Structure. This is applicable to modules examined at the end of the academic year.

For a student to pass a module, an overall total of 40% for combined continuous assessment and written examination components would be required without minimum thresholds within the individual continuous assessment and written examination.

Most modules in the structure are **yearly modules** which are taught over a period of two semesters but examined at the end of the second semester only. There are continuous assessments over the period of two semesters and the written examination will be of a duration of 3 hours for a yearly module of 6 credits.

Some modules in the structure are run over 15 weeks and carry 3 credits. The assessment of such modules will consist of continuous assessment and an examination of a duration of 2 hrs at the end of the semester in which the module is run. Practical Training (ACF 3000) of at least 3 months' duration must be satisfactorily completed for the award of the degree. Such requirement may be waived for part-time students currently in employment.

Submission Deadline for dissertation: end of March in the final year of the programme.

9. Termination of Registration

If the CPA of a student is < 40 at the end of academic year, s/he will have to repeat the entire academic year, and retake modules as and when offered. However, s/he will not be required, if s/he wishes, to retake module(s) for which Grade C or above has been obtained.

Students will be allowed to repeat only once over the entire duration of the Programme of Studies. Registration of a student will be terminated if

- (i) the CPA < 40 at the end of an academic year and the student has already repeated one year of study; or
- (ii) the maximum duration allowed for completion of the Programme of Studies has been exceeded.
- (iii) if s/he is a year 1 student who has scored a CPA of <25% at the end of an academic year (for yearly Programmes).

10. List of Modules - BSc (Hons) International Business Finance

CORE MODULES

Code	Module Name	Hrs/Wk L+P	Credits
DFA 1100Y(1)	Business Accounting	3+0	6
DFA 1254Y(1)	Business Environment	3+0	6
DFA 1002Y(1)	Financial Theory and Practice	3+0	6
LAWS 1007Y(1)	Foundations of Mauritian Law	D.E.O.L	6
DFA 1232(1)	Quantitative Finance I**	3+0	3
DFA 2035Y(3)	Business Finance Decision-Making and Application	3+0	6
DFA 2137(3)	International Trade Financing*	3+0	3
DFA 2225(1)	Introduction to Fintech**	3+0	3
DFA 2034Y(3)	Investment and Security Analysis	3+0	6
DFA 2036(3)	Multinational Enterprise*	3+0	3
ACF 2006(3)	Principles of Taxation*	3+0	3
DFA 2033Y(3)	Quantitative Finance II	3+0	6
DFA 2022Y(3)	Research Methods and Data Analysis in Finance	3+0	6
ACF 3004(5)	Business and International Taxation*	3+0	3
DFA 3351Y(3)	Corporate Governance	3+0	6
DFA 3099Y(5)	Dissertation	-	6
DFA 3200(5)	International Accounting for Business**	3+0	3
MGT 3059Y(5)	International Business and Management	3+0	6
LAWS 3103(5)	International Economic Law*	3+0	3
DFA 3006Y(5)	International Finance	3+0	6
DFA 3112Y(5)	Option Strategies and Applied Financial Modelling	3+0	6
DFA 3136(5)	Regionalism and Developing Countries*	3+0	3
ACF 3000	Practical Training	-	0

11. Programme Plan - BSc (Hons) International Business Finance

Note for modules carrying asterisk(s):

- * These are 3-credit modules, which will be run during and examined at the end of the first semester.
- ** These are 3-credit modules, which will be run during and examined at the end of the second semester.

<u>YEAR 1</u>			
Code	Module Name	Hrs/Wk	Credits
CORE			
		L+P	
DFA 1100Y(1)	Business Accounting	3+0	6
DFA 1254Y(1)	Business Environment	3+0	6
DFA 1002Y(1)	Financial Theory and Practice	3+0	6
LAWS 1007Y(1)	Foundations of Mauritian Law	D.E.O.L	6
DFA 1232(1)	Quantitative Finance I**	3+0	3
			27
<u>YEAR 2</u>			
Code	Module Name	Hrs/Wk	Credits
CORE			
		L+P	
DFA 2035Y(3)	Business Finance Decision-Making and Application	3+0	6
DFA 2137(3)	International Trade Financing*	3+0	3
DFA 2225(1)	Introduction to Fintech**	3+0	3
DFA 2034Y(3)	Investment and Security Analysis	3+0	6
DFA 2036(3)	Multinational Enterprise*	3+0	3
ACF 2006(3)	Principles of Taxation*	3+0	3
DFA 2033Y(3)	Quantitative Finance II	3+0	6
DFA 2022Y(3)	Research Methods and Data Analysis in Finance	3+0	6
			36
<u>YEAR 3</u>			
Code	Module Name	Hrs/Wk	Credits
CORE			
		L+P	
ACF 3004(5)	Business and International Taxation*	3+0	3
DFA 3351Y(3)	Corporate Governance	3+0	6
DFA 3099Y(5)	Dissertation	-	6
DFA 3200(5)	International Accounting for Business**	3+0	3
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DFA 3112Y(5)	Option Strategies and Applied Financial Modelling	3+0	6
DFA 3136(5)	Regionalism and Developing Countries*	3+0	3
ACF 3000	Practical Training	-	0
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Note 1: It is compulsory for students to complete a dissertation of 10,000 to 12,000 words. This dissertation should start in Year 3, carrying 6 credits.

Total Number of Core Yearly Modules: 13 (6 credits per module)

Total Number of Core Semester Modules: 9 (3 credits per module)
As follows:

	CORE		ELECTIVE	
	Yearly	Semester	Yearly	Semester
Year 1	4	1	-	-
Year 2	4	4	-	-
Year 3	5	4	-	-
TOTAL	13	9	-	-

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