

George Mason University
Honors College and Costello College of Business
Business, BS, Concentration in Finance

2025-2026 Catalog Year

1 st Year – 1 st Semester (Fall)	Credits
ECON 103 Contemporary Macroeconomics	3
BUS 103 Develop Professional Skills I	3
BUS 100 Business and Society	3
HNRS 110 Principles of Research and Inquiry	3
HNRS 111 Honors College Colloquium	1
HNRS 122 or General Elective	3
Semester Total	16

1 st Year – 2nd Semester (Spring)	Credits
Math 108 Introductory Calculus	3
HNRS 130 or General Elective	3
BUS 200 Global Environment of Business	3
ECON 104 Contemporary Macroeconomic Principles	3
General Elective	3
Semester Total	15

2 nd Year – 1 st Semester (Fall)	Credits
ACCT 203 Survey of Accounting	3
HNRS 130 Identity, Community, and Difference	3
BUS 210 Business Analytics 1	3
Non-Laboratory Science	3
HNRS 131 Contemporary Social Issues	3
Semester Total	15

2 nd Year – 2 nd Semester (Spring)	Credits
FNAN 303 Financial Management	3
MKTG 303 Principles of Marketing	3
BUS 310 Business Analytics	3
HNRS 240 Reading the Past	3
General Elective	3
Semester Total	15

3 rd Year – 1 st Semester (Fall)	Credits
ACCT 303 Accounting for Decision Making	3
FNAN 311 Principles of Investment	3
MIS 303 Management Info Systems	3
HNRS 260 Society and Community Engagement	3
General Elective	3
Semester Total	15

3 rd Year – 2 nd Semester (Spring)	Credits
FNAN 321 Financial Institutions	3
FNAN Elective	3
BULE 303 Legal Environment of Business	3
BUS 303 Professional Skills II	3
OSCM 303 Operations Management	3
Semester Total	15

4 th Year – 1 st Semester (Fall)	Credits
FNAN 341 Intro to Firm Valuation	3
FNAN Elective	3
MGMT 303 Principles of Management	3
HNRS 360 Multidisciplinary Topics	3
General Elective	3
Semester Total	15

4 th Year – 2 nd Semester (Spring)	Credits
FNAN 498 or 477 – Writing Intensive Requirement	3
FNAN Elective	3
BUS 498	3
Laboratory Science	4
General Elective	1
Semester Total	14

Finance Requirements

Students choose 3 of 4 required courses: FNAN 311, FNAN 321, FNAN 341, FNAN 401

FNAN Electives

FNAN 311 Principles of Investment if not taken for required course
 FNAN 321 Financial Institutions if not taken for required course
 FNAN 341 Intro to Firm Valuation if not taken as a required course
 FNAN 351 Principles of Real Estate
 FNAN 401 Advanced Financial Management if not taken for require course
 FNAN 411 Investment Analysis and Portfolio Management
 FNAN 412 Futures and Options Markets
 FNAN 421 Money and Capital Markets
 FNAN 430 Empirical Methods in Finance
 FNAN 431 Venture Capital and Private Finance of Startups
 FNAN 432 Fixed-Income Securities
 FNAN 436 Probability Methods in Finance
 FNAN 440 International Financial Management
 FNAN 441 Advanced Topics in Firm Valuation
 FNAN 444 Sustainable and ESG Investments
 FNAN 451 Real Estate Finance
 FNAN 454 Real Estate Development
 FNAN 462 Honors Seminar in Finance
 FNAN 472 Fintech and Blockchain in Finance
 FNAN 477 Student Managed Investment if not taken for required course

FNAN 483 Ethical and Professional Standards
 FNAN 491 Special Topics in Finance
 FNAN 498 Independent Study
 FNAN 492 Internship

Costello College of Business Policies

- All College of Business Courses require a minimum grade of C
- Finance and Financial Planning and Wealth Management concentration are required to earn a B- or Higher in FNAN 303

Termination Policy

- Students who do not earn a C or higher in three attempts of Costello College of Business Foundations and Core Courses will be terminated from the Costello College of Business. Students terminated from the Costello College of Business are prohibited from enrolling in any Costello of College Business Course and will not be eligible to receive a degree from the Costello College of Business. The full termination policy is detailed within the catalog.

HONORS COLLEGE CURRICULUM

Honors College Requirements	
	Credits
HNRS 110: Principles of Research and Inquiry AND HNRS 111: Honors College Colloquium or HNRS 302: Principles of Research and Inquiry for Transfer Students	3 or 4
HNRS 122: Reading the Arts	3
HNRS 130: Identity, Community, and Difference	3
HNRS 131: Contemporary Social Issues	3
HNRS 240: Reading the Past	3
HNRS 260: Society and Community Engagement	3
HNRS 360: Multidisciplinary Topics	3
Lab and Non-Lab Science	7
Quantitative Reasoning	