

## Course Specification

Course Summary Information			
1	<b>Course Title</b>		BSc (Hons) International Finance (Top-Up)
2	<b>BCU Course Code</b>	<b>UCAS Code</b>	US0826      N390
3	<b>Awarding Institution</b>		Birmingham City University
4	<b>Teaching Institution(s)</b> (if different from point 3)		
5	<b>Professional Statutory or Regulatory Body (PSRB) accreditation</b> (if applicable)		

6	Course Description
	<p>Want to top up your finance degree in Birmingham? Our BSc (Hons) International Finance (Top-Up) course allows you to learn from industry experienced lecturers.</p> <p>Global financial and business environments are becoming increasingly intertwined. We use our long-standing links with the world of international finance to develop your knowledge and real-world, practical skills in international finance.</p> <p>With dedicated tutor support we will also help you to select course modules which reflect your own learning needs and career goals.</p> <p><b>What's covered in the course?</b></p> <p>Studying in our brand new state-of-the-art £63 million Curzon Building on our City Centre Campus, you will choose from a range of modules including international reporting, financial management, globalisation and statistical modelling. You are encouraged to choose areas of study best suited to your future career plans.</p> <p>You will be taught by industry experienced academics who bring real world practical knowledge to the classroom. They've forged careers and worked with renowned companies such as KPMG and Vauxhall. This means you get great contacts and benefit from their industry insights. Our students come to their top-up year from a variety of backgrounds, providing the added opportunity to also gain valuable learning experiences from your peers. While you complete your degree, you'll be right in the hub of the city and be surrounded by other likeminded students on a variety of business and accountancy based degrees.</p>

7	Course Awards		
7a	Name of Final Award	Level	Credits Awarded
	Bachelor of Science with Honours International Finance	6	120
7b	Exit Awards and Credits Awarded		
	Not applicable		

<b>8</b>	<b>Derogation from the University Regulations</b>
	Not applicable

<b>9</b>	<b>Delivery Patterns</b>		
<b>Mode(s) of Study</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Duration of Study</b>	<b>Code</b>
Full Time	City Centre	1 Year	US0826

<b>10</b>	<b>Entry Requirements</b>
<p>The admission requirements for this course are stated on the course page of the BCU website at <a href="https://www.bcu.ac.uk/">https://www.bcu.ac.uk/</a> or may be found by searching for the course entry profile located on the UCAS website.</p>	

<b>11</b>	<b>Course Learning Outcomes</b>
<b>1</b>	An appreciation of the nature of the contexts in which finance can be seen as operating, including knowledge of the institutional framework necessary for understanding the role, operation and function of markets and financial institutions.
<b>2</b>	Knowledge of the major theoretical tools and theories of business and corporate finance, and their relevance and application to theoretical and practical problems for businesses.
<b>3</b>	An understanding of the relationship between financial theory and empirical testing.
<b>4</b>	An understanding of the financing arrangements and governance mechanisms and structures of business entities.
<b>5</b>	An understanding of financial service activity in the economy, and the factors that are changing these activities over time.
<b>6</b>	An understanding of mathematical techniques and their use financial decision-making.
<b>7</b>	Knowledge and understanding of organisations, the business environment in which they operate and their management.
<b>8</b>	Critical evaluation of arguments and evidence.
<b>9</b>	Independent and self-managed learning.
<b>10</b>	Analysis, filtering and evaluation of data, and drawing reasoned conclusions concerning structured and, to a more limited extent, unstructured problems from a given set of data and from data acquired by the student.
<b>11</b>	Location, extraction and analysis of data from multiple sources, including acknowledging and referencing of sources.
<b>12</b>	Numeracy, including the processing and analysis of financial and other numerical data and the appreciation of statistical concepts at an appropriate level.

<b>13</b>	Using contemporary information and communications technology for the acquisition, analysis and communication of financial information.
<b>14</b>	Communication, including presenting quantitative and qualitative information, together with analysis, argument and commentary, in a form appropriate to the intended audience, and oral as well as written presentation.
<b>15</b>	Working with others (such as through small group projects).

<b>12</b>	<b>Course Requirements</b>		
<b>12a</b>	<b>Level 6:</b>  <i>In order to complete this course a student must successfully complete all the following CORE modules (totalling 80 credits):</i>		
	<b>Module Code</b>	<b>Module Name</b>	<b>Credit Value</b>
	FIN6031	Banking, Financial Markets and Institutions	20
	FIN6027	International Finance	20
	BUS6061	e-Business	20
	BUS6062	International Business	20
	<i>In order to complete this course a student must successfully complete at least 40 credits from the following list of OPTIONAL modules.</i>		
	<b>Module Code</b>	<b>Module Name</b>	<b>Credit Value</b>
	FIN6032	Corporate Financial Strategy	20
	FIN6028	Financial Derivatives	20
	ACC6019	UK and Global Accounting Issues	20

## 12b Structure Diagram

Please note list of optional modules is indicative only. Students' choice will not be guaranteed for optional modules but a fair and transparent process will be adopted and shared with students.

### Structure and Delivery

Level 6 Induction Programme				
Level 6	Semester 1	Banking, Financial Markets & Institutions <i>(20 credits)</i>	International Finance <i>(20 credits)</i>	e-Business <i>(20 credits)</i>
	Semester 2	International Business <i>(20 credits)</i>	OPTION <i>(20 credits)</i>	OPTION <i>(20 credits)</i>

### Option Modules

Semester 2	Credits
Corporate Financial Strategy	20
UK and Global Accounting Issues	20
Financial Derivatives	20

### 13 Overall Student Workload and Balance of Assessment

Overall student *workload* consists of class contact hours, independent learning and assessment activity, with each credit taken equating to a total study time of around 10 hours. While actual contact hours may depend on the optional modules selected, the following information gives an indication of how much time students will need to allocate to different activities at each level of the course.

- *Scheduled Learning* includes lectures, practical classes and workshops, contact time specified in timetable
- *Directed Learning* includes placements, work-based learning, external visits, on-line activity, Graduate+, peer learning
- *Private Study* includes preparation for exams

The *balance of assessment* by mode of assessment (e.g. coursework, exam and in-person) depends to some extent on the optional modules chosen by students. The approximate percentage of the course assessed by coursework, exam and in-person is shown below.

#### Level 6

#### Workload

#### 30% time spent in timetabled teaching and learning activity

Activity	Number of Hours
Scheduled Learning	360
Directed Learning	720
Private Study	120
<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>1200</b>

#### Balance of Assessment

Assessment Mode	Percentage
Coursework	82.86
Exam	12.86
In-Person	4.29