

Finance Specialization

The finance specialization imparts knowledge to the students by offering courses that are essential in building comprehensive contemporary knowledge in finance, besides building on their confidence and capability to handle varied job profiles and career opportunities. The focus invariably is on laying a strong conceptual foundation.

Broadly, the Finance specialization courses cover Financial Markets, BFSI Industry, Projects, Taxation and Risk Management. The Finance students also choose between Insurance, Financial Planning & Wealth Management in the fifth trimester, and between Analytics for Finance and Derivatives during the sixth trimester. Industry relevant courses such as Management of Small and Medium Enterprises, Econometrics are offered as optional value added courses to help students acquire additional knowledge from the mandated courses.

Strong conceptual grounding coupled with practical hands on classes enables Finance students develop skills that are pre requisite for a finance profile. Financial Statement analysis and Valuation techniques delivered through practical lab based classes help students in imbibing critical skill sets that would make them industry ready from day zero. Advanced Excel workshop help the students further in this aspect, since any corporate career in the area of Finance involves Excel as an indispensable tool. We also provide opportunities to enhance student's skills in the area of Banking (core Banking solution) and Analytics (SAS).

An MBA degree may not suffice in creating niche differentiation amongst Management graduates. Students are therefore actively counseled to take up additional certification exams like "Diploma in Banking and Finance" for those who are inclined in Banking as a career. Some of the International certificate programs that are recommended for students capable of Handling additional academic workloads, with a higher pay off include Certified Financial Planning (CFP), Financial Risk Management (FRM), Certified Financial analyst (CFA) and certified fraud examiner (CFE). Certifications such as National Institute of Securities Manager (NISM) sponsored by NSE are popular among the Finance students who see it as a shot in the arm during placements.

Apart from Mandatory six week Summer Internship Project, the Finance students are encouraged to take up Live projects during their free hours to build on exposure to the corporate world already gained during the internship. Typically students visit banks, equity broking houses, financial advisors, Manufacturing companies, VC & PE companies to broaden experiences that would help them in understanding the nuances of these businesses. Emphasis is laid on the importance of Current Affairs and economic numbers to track the outside world on a continuous basis, and learn to develop multi dimensional views on disparate issues. Opportunities to publish periodic finance newsletters 'Chaanakya' and 'Nishka' improve their writing skills and understanding of the Finance world.

At the end of the two year MBA program, a student who has taken up the Finance specialization builds on strong conceptual knowledge, more than adequate skills and desired confidence in the area of Finance to have a head start in his or her chosen career.