

Programme Description Document

Programme Title	Finance (2025-26)
Programme Code	9509
Award Title	Master of Science (MSc)
Awarding Body	University of Southampton
Teaching Institution	University of Southampton
Regulated by	Office for Students
Regulations	The Regulations of the University can be found on the University's Governance Webpages: https://www.southampton.ac.uk/about/governance/regulations-policies
Location of study	University of Southampton Delhi
Length of the programme	1 Year
Tuition Fees	Fees for students can be located on the programme information pages. https://www.southampton.ac.uk/in/courses

Programme Overview

The MSc Finance programme enables candidates to obtain robust understanding of the key theoretical concepts in finance and develop transferable analytical and quantitative skills. A range of subject-specific areas spanning from portfolio management, advanced corporate finance and stock market analysis, to behavioural finance, derivative securities, computational finance, and advanced time series modelling enable candidates for rigorous understanding of theories and concepts in finance. The programme provides a balanced mixture of theory and real-world applications via a wide selection of textbooks, academic journals, databases, case studies and the analysis of financial data. The programme aims to give candidates a competitive edge and prepare them for their chosen career path either in industry, government, or universities and research-related institutions.

Aims of the Programme

This MSc Finance programme will provide you with a solid foundation in Finance and Empirical Finance. The programme fully integrates theory and practice and enables you to take a number of specialist modules to focus your learning on a particular area of finance. Companies are looking for a combination of high-level interpersonal skills, in-depth knowledge and analytical skills to enable them to succeed in a rapidly changing and highly complex environment. This has influenced the design and aims of the programme.

The aims of the programme are to provide you with:

- knowledge of financial markets, corporate finance and complex financial products such as derivatives;
- a comprehensive understanding of how markets work and how firms can create value;
- an ability to use (and to reflect critically upon the use of) models and formal processes within finance and financial management;
- an ability to undertake rigorous independent research in finance.

Programme Structure

The tables below provide a list of the modules that make up your programme.

Each module is worth a specified number of credits: you can take a combination of core and compulsory modules enabling you to cover key subject knowledge. Some programmes have option modules which enable you to develop your own interests.

Your programme requires a certain number of credits. The number of option modules you can take depends on the number of core and compulsory modules and this is also influenced by the requirements of the regulatory requirements for professionally accredited programmes. Some programmes also have pre and co-requisites, and these are included in individual module information.

Your learning will be led by the latest research, and modules can change periodically to reflect developments in the discipline.

If we have insufficient numbers of students interested in an option module, it may not be offered. If an option module will not be run, we will advise you as soon as possible and help you choose an alternative module.

The core and compulsory modules available on your programme are as follows:

Part I

Typical course content

The programme may be completed on a full-time (12 months) basis. The first 9 months of the programme involves taught study, divided into two semesters. In the following description, the term “module” is taken to mean a discrete component of the programme with its own learning outcomes and assessment requirements. All modules are at the Masters level.

The taught component of the programme consists of modules worth 60 ECTS (120 CATS) in total. Of those, 37.5 ECTS (75 CATS) are compulsory modules and 22.5 ECTS (45 CATS) are chosen from a range of option modules to suit your individual needs and interests. The Business School provides all modules. All option modules are offered subject to availability and timetabling constraints. The final dissertation project completes the MSc requirement of 90 ECTS (180 CATS) overall.

Information about pre and co-requisites is included in individual module profiles.

Part I Compulsory Semester 1

Code	Module Title	ECTS	Type
MANG6295	Introduction to Finance	7.5	Compulsory
MANG6142	Portfolio Theory and Asset Pricing	7.5	Compulsory
MANG6299	Quantitative Finance	7.5	Compulsory

Part I Compulsory Semester 2

Code	Module Title	ECTS	Type
MANG6296	Advanced Corporate Finance	7.5	Compulsory
MANG6297	Advanced Time Series Modelling	7.5	Compulsory

Part I Core

Code	Module Title	ECTS	Type
MANG6547	Banking, Finance and Risk Dissertation	30	Core

Part I Optional Semester 1

Select 1 modules (7.5ECTS/15CATS):

Code	Module Title	ECTS	Type
MANG6239	Behavioural Finance	7.5	Optional
MANG6221	Stock Market Analysis	7.5	Optional

Part I Optional Semester 2

Select 2 modules (15ECTS/30CATS):

Code	Module Title	ECTS	Type
MANG6576	Computational Finance	7.5	Optional
MANG6018	Derivative Securities Analysis	7.5	Optional
MANG6222	Fixed Income Securities Analysis	7.5	Optional

Learning and Teaching

Your overall workload consists of class contact hours, independent learning, and assessment activity, with each ECTS credit taken equivalent to 20 hours of student effort.

When not attending lectures, seminars and other timetabled sessions you will be expected to continue learning independently through self-study. Typically, this will involve reading journal articles and books, working on individual and group projects, undertaking research in the library, preparing coursework assignments and presentations, and for other types of assessments and examinations.

How we'll assess you

Your programme provides you with opportunities to test your understanding of the subject informally before you complete the formal assessments that count towards your module mark. Each module normally contains at least one piece of practice or formative assessment for which you receive feedback.

Formative assessments are developmental, and any results do not count towards your module mark, but they are an important part of your learning.

Summative assessments usually take place at the end of each module, although some may have interim assessments throughout. Assessment methods might include written examinations and a range of coursework assessments such as essays, reports, portfolios, performance, presentations and projects for example. The marks from summative assessments count towards your module mark.

Staff involved in delivering the different elements of the programme

You will be taught by an experienced teaching team whose expertise and knowledge are closely matched to the content of the modules on your programme. The team includes senior academics, professional practitioners with industry experience, demonstrators and technical officers.

Postgraduate research students who have undertaken appropriate training may also contribute to the teaching of seminars if their research specialism is directly related to the topic of the module and may also be involved in practical classes, project work and field trips. All contributions will be carried out under the supervision of the module leader.

Fees

What your fees pay for

Your tuition fees pay for the full cost of tuition and standard exams.

Extra costs you may experience

Accommodation and living costs, such as travel and food, are not included in your tuition fees. There may also be extra costs for retake and professional exams.

Depending on the nature of your programme, you may be able to choose modules which may have additional costs, such as field studies, travel overseas or industrial placements which will change the overall cost of your programme. Details of these costs can be found in module information.

The following programme-related costs are not included in your fees:

Type	Details
Calculators	Where a calculator is required, all Casio Calculators are allowed but they must be Non-Programmable, Scientific models. More information is available in the Examination Regulations https://www.southampton.ac.uk/studentadmin/assessment/assessment-overview/exam-regulations.page
Stationery	You will be expected to provide your own day-to-day stationery items, e.g. pens, pencils, notebooks, etc. Any specialist stationery items that you may need will be specified in the relevant module profile.

Textbooks	Where a module specifies essential texts, the Library will identify the optimal option(s) to support the module via the programme Reading List. This may include e-books (ideally with unlimited concurrent usage) or a digitised chapter extract, supported by a limited number of print books (where available). You may prefer to buy your own copies for high demand titles.
Printing	In most cases, written coursework such as essays and projects are submitted online. However it may be necessary to submit a hard copy of some projects, business projects and dissertations. The costs of printing a hard copy for submission of such work will be your responsibility. You will also have to cover the cost of photocopying.
Hardware	The University provides publicly available workstations with software and some are available via iSolutions, but otherwise you will need to purchase. For more information please click on the following link https://www.southampton...ons/students/index.page

Bursaries, scholarships and other funding

We award scholarships and grants for academic excellence, or to students from underrepresented backgrounds.

Academic support

The Student Hub is your first point of contact when it comes to seeking support. The team will answer your questions or concerns about your wellbeing, fees and funding, accommodation and visas. The team will help make sure you receive the support you need, guiding you to further support services where required.

One of the most important people you will meet while you are a student at University of Southampton Delhi is your Personal Academic Tutor, who will be allocated to you for your arrival at the University and who is normally a member of academic staff in your own or a closely related subject area. Your Personal Academic Tutor will offer one-to-one support and advice throughout your time at the University and will support you in your studies or with other issues you may have. You can find out more via our webpages:

<https://www.southampton.ac.uk/studentadmin/academic-support-guidance/personal-tutor.page>

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