

Master of Applied Finance (with specialisations) Articulated Set

includes:

Master of Applied Finance (with specialisations)
Graduate Diploma of Finance
Graduate Diploma of Financial Planning
Graduate Certificate in Finance

The Master of Applied Finance provides formal knowledge, capabilities and competencies in finance and specialised areas of banking or financial planning. The Degree is designed to produce graduates who are skilled and work-ready in their selected discipline or profession. Students who complete the specialisation in financial planning qualify for ASIC RG146 accreditation, and are also eligible for advanced standing in the CFP (Certified Financial Planning) Program.

The Graduate Diploma of Finance provides formal knowledge, capabilities and competencies in finance to produce graduates who are skilled and work-ready.

The Graduate Certificate in Finance provides formal knowledge, capabilities and competencies in finance and related areas. The Degree is designed to produce graduates who are skilled and work-ready in their selected discipline or profession.

The course includes the following awards:

Graduate Certificate in Finance *GradCertFin*

Graduate Diploma of Finance *GradDipFin*

Graduate Diploma of Financial Planning *GradDipFinPlan*

Master of Applied Finance *MAppFin*

Master of Applied Finance (Banking) *MAppFin(Bank)*

Master of Applied Finance (Estate Planning) *MAppFin(EstPlan)*

Master of Applied Finance (Financial Planning) *MAppFin(FinPlan)*

Course Study Modes and Locations

Graduate Certificate in Finance (2301FN)

Distance Education - Bathurst

Graduate Diploma of Finance (2601FN)

Distance Education - Bathurst

Graduate Diploma of Financial Planning (2601FP)

Distance Education - Bathurst

Master of Applied Finance (2710AF)

Distance Education - Bathurst

Availability is subject to change, please verify prior to enrolment.

Normal course duration

Master of Applied Finance (with specialisations)

Full-time 1.5 years (3.0 sessions)

Graduate Diploma of Financial Planning

Full-time 1.0 years (2.0 sessions)

Graduate Diploma of Finance

Full-time 1.0 years (2.0 sessions)

Graduate Certificate in Finance

Full-time 0.5 years (1.0 sessions)

Normal course duration is the effective period of time taken to complete a course when studied Full-time (Full-time Equivalent: FTE). Students are advised to consult the Enrolment

Pattern for the actual length of study. Not all courses are offered in Full-time mode.

Admission criteria

[CSU Admission Policy](#)

Master of Applied Finance (with specialisations)

For entry to the Master of Applied Finance applicants are required to have an undergraduate degree from a recognised Australian tertiary institution (or equivalent). Applicants without a tertiary qualification may be admitted to the Graduate Certificate in Finance on the basis of professional attainment and/or work experience. Upon successful completion of the Graduate Certificate, students will then be eligible for admission to the Master Applied Finance and receive credit for applicable subjects.

Graduate Diploma of Finance

Applicants without a tertiary qualification may be admitted to the Graduate Diploma of Finance on the basis of professional attainment and/or work experience. Upon successful completion of the Graduate Diploma, students will then be eligible for admission to the Master of Applied Finance and receive credit for applicable subjects.

Graduate Diploma of Financial Planning

Applicants without a tertiary qualification may be admitted to the Graduate Diploma of Financial Planning on the basis of professional attainment and/or work experience. Upon successful completion of the Graduate Diploma, students will then be eligible for admission to the Master of Applied Finance and receive credit for applicable subjects.

Graduate Certificate in Finance

Applicants without a tertiary qualification may be admitted to the Graduate Certificate in Finance on the basis of professional attainment and/or work experience. Upon successful completion of the Graduate Certificate, students will then be eligible for admission to the Master Applied Finance and receive credit for applicable subjects.

Credit

[CSU Credit Policy](#)

Master of Applied Finance (with specialisations)

Applicants who have completed the Graduate Certificate in Finance or the Graduate Certificate in Financial Planning will be awarded credit for the four subjects completed in the Graduate Certificate.

Applicants who have completed the Graduate Diploma of Finance and the Graduate Diploma of Financial Planning will be awarded credit for the eight subjects completed in the Graduate Diploma.

Graduate Diploma of Finance

No special arrangements apply

Graduate Diploma of Financial Planning

No special arrangements apply

Graduate Certificate in Finance

No special arrangements apply.

Articulation

The Master, Graduate Diploma, Graduate Diploma and Graduate Certificate make up an articulated set of courses and credit is given in each higher level course for the subjects completed in the lower.

Graduation requirements

Master of Applied Finance (with specialisations)

To graduate students must satisfactorily complete 96 points.

Graduate Diploma of Finance

To graduate students must satisfactorily complete 64 points.

Graduate Diploma of Financial Planning

To graduate students must satisfactorily complete 64 points.

Graduate Certificate in Finance

To graduate students must satisfactorily complete 32 points.

Course Structure**Master of Applied Finance**

The course consists of twelve (12) subjects, four (4) of which are core subjects. For the general award of Master of Applied Finance the remaining eight (8) subjects are to be taken as follows; six (6) from the restricted elective offering and two (2) from any level five (5) subject offered by CSU. This provides students with the ability to 'tailor' their degree to suit their particular personal and career needs. For specialisations, students select four (4) subjects from a restricted specialisation set of subjects, an additional two (2) subjects should be drawn from the full set of restricted electives and the remaining two (2) subjects from any level five (5) subject offered by CSU.

Core subjects

[FIN516](#)Corporate Finance

[FIN530](#)Money and Capital Markets

[FIN535](#)Strategic & Contemporary Financial Issues

[ACC585](#)Financial Statement Analysis & Valuation

Banking Specialisation

[FIN521](#)Corporate Treasury Management

[FIN523](#)Lending in Financial Institutions

[FIN525](#)Financial Institutions Management

[LAW523](#)Finance Law

Financial Planning Specialisation

[FIN560](#)Financial Planning

and three (3) restricted electives chosen from the following specialisation set:

[FIN562](#)Risk Management and Insurance

[FIN563](#)Estate Planning *

[FIN564](#)Superannuation and Retirement Planning *

[FIN567](#)Investing in Property *

[LAW545](#)Taxation Strategies *

(*Suggested subjects for students interested in career as a Financial Planner)

Estate Planning Specialisation

[FIN563](#)Estate Planning

and three (3) restricted electives chosen from the following specialisation set:

[ACG507](#)Accounting and Tax for Estates and Trusts

[LAW545](#)Taxation Strategies

[LAW523](#)Finance Law

[FIN564](#)Superannuation and Retirement Planning

(note for STEP accreditation you must complete all five subjects leaving only 3 elective choices)

Restricted electives

[FIN518](#)International Financial Management

[FIN521](#)Corporate Treasury Management

[FIN522](#)Financial Modelling

[FIN523](#)Lending in Financial Institutions

[FIN525](#)Financial Institutions Management

[FIN531](#)Investment Analysis

[FIN560](#)Financial Planning

[FIN562](#)Risk Management and Insurance

[FIN563](#)Estate Planning

[FIN564](#)Superannuation and Retirement Planning

[FIN567](#)Investing in Property

[ECO501](#)Business Economics

[LAW523](#)Finance Law

[LAW545](#)Taxation Strategies

Up to two (2) level five (5) subjects offered by CSU.

Students may elect to exit from the Masters degree and graduate with the award Graduate Certificate in Finance (GradCertFin) after completion of four (4) subjects as specified for the Graduate Certificate in Finance, or with a Graduate Diploma of Finance after completion of eight (8) subjects as specified for the Graduate Diploma of Finance , or with a Graduate Diploma of Financial Planning after completion of eight (8) subjects as specified for the Graduate Diploma of Financial Planning.

Graduate Diploma of Finance

The Graduate Diploma of Finance is an entry point and exit point course within the Master of Applied Finance.

The course consists of eight (8) subjects, three (3) of which are core subjects. For the award of Graduate Diploma of Finance the remaining five (5) subjects are to be taken as follows; a maximum of one (1) subject may be any level five (5) subject offered by CSU and the balance to be elective subjects drawn from the restricted elective list. This provides students with the ability to 'tailor' their degree to suit their particular personal and career needs.

Core subjects

[FIN516](#)Corporate Finance
[FIN530](#)Money and Capital Markets
[ACC585](#)Financial Statement Analysis and Valuation

Plus five (5) restricted electives chosen from the following specialisation set:

[FIN518](#)International Financial Management
[FIN521](#)Corporate Treasury Management
[FIN522](#)Financial Modelling
[FIN523](#)Lending in Financial Institutions
[FIN525](#)Financial Institutions Management
[FIN531](#)Investment Analysis
[FIN560](#)Financial Planning
[FIN562](#)Risk Management and Insurance
[FIN563](#)Estate Planning
[FIN564](#)Superannuation and Retirement Planning
[FIN567](#)Investing in Property
[ECO501](#)Business Economics
[LAW545](#)Taxation Strategies
[LAW523](#)Finance Law

One (1) level five (5) subject offered by CSU.

Graduate Diploma of Financial Planning

The Graduate Diploma of Financial Planning is an entry point and exit point course within the Master of Applied Finance.

The course consists of eight (8) subjects, three (3) of which are core subjects. For the award of Graduate Diploma of Financial Planning the remaining five (5) subjects are to be taken from the specialisation and restricted elective subject sets. This provides students with the ability to 'tailor' their degree to suit their particular personal and career needs.

Core subjects

[FIN516](#)Corporate Finance
[FIN530](#)Money and Capital Markets
[FIN560](#)Financial Planning

and five (5) restricted electives chosen from the following specialisation set:

[FIN562](#)Risk Management and Insurance
[FIN563](#)Estate Planning *
[FIN564](#)Superannuation and Retirement Planning *
[FIN567](#)Investing in Property *
[ACC585](#)Financial Statement Analysis and Valuation

[ECO501](#) Business Economics

[LAW545](#) Taxation Strategies *

(*Suggested subjects for students interested in career as a Financial Planner)

Graduate Certificate in Finance

The course consists of four (4) subjects, two (2) of which are core subjects and the remaining two (2) are taken from a set of restricted subjects.

[FIN516](#) Corporate Finance

[FIN530](#) Money and Capital Markets

Plus two (2) restricted electives chosen from the following set of subjects:

[FIN518](#) International Financial Management

[FIN521](#) Corporate Treasury Management

[FIN522](#) Financial Modelling

[FIN523](#) Lending in Financial Institutions

[FIN525](#) Financial Institutions Management

[FIN531](#) Investment Analysis

[FIN560](#) Financial Planning

[FIN562](#) Risk Management and Insurance

[FIN563](#) Estate Planning

[FIN564](#) Superannuation and Retirement Planning

[FIN567](#) Investing in Property

[ECO501](#) Business Economics

[LAW523](#) Finance Law

[LAW545](#) Taxation Strategies

Enrolment Pattern

Master of Applied Finance

Session 1

[FIN530](#) Money and Capital markets

Elective 1

Session 2

[FIN516](#) Corporate Finance

Elective 2

Session 3

[ACC585](#) Financial Statement Analysis and Valuation

Elective 3

Session 4

[FIN535](#) Strategic & Contemporary Financial Issues

Elective 4

Session 5

Elective 5

Elective 6

Session 6

Elective 7

Elective 8

Graduate Diploma of Finance

Because of the flexibility of the course requirements, there is no prescribed enrolment pattern. Students may choose the order in which they undertake subjects, depending upon the availability of subjects and the meeting of any pre-requisites. However a typical pattern as a guide to enrolment pattern would be as follows.

Session 1

[FIN530](#) Money and Capital Markets

Elective 1

Session 2

[FIN516](#) Corporate Finance

Elective 2

Session 3

[ACC585](#) Financial Statement Analysis and Valuation

Elective 3

Session 4

Elective 4

Elective 5

Graduate Diploma of Financial Planning

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Session 1[FIN530](#) Money and Capital Markets

Elective 1

Session 2[FIN516](#) Corporate Finance

Elective 2

Session 3[FIN560](#) Financial Planning

Elective 3

Session 4

Elective 4

Elective 5

Graduate Certificate in Finance

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Session 1[FIN530](#) Money and Capital markets

Elective 1

Session 2[FIN516](#) Corporate Finance

Elective 2

Residential School

Please note that the following subjects may have a residential school component.

FIN560 Financial Planning

Enrolled students can find further information about CSU residential schools via the [About Residential School](#) page.

Contact

For further information about Charles Sturt University, or this course offering, please contact info.csu on 1800 334 733 (free call within Australia) or email inquiry@csu.edu.au

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