Year of entry: 2021/22



Programme Specification

| 1 | Awarding body | Univers | ity of Lo | ndon | | | |
|----|-------------------------------------|----------------|------------------------------------------------------|------|---|----|---|
| 2 | Teaching Institution | Birkbec | Birkbeck College | | | | |
| 3 | Programme Title(s) | MSc Ac | MSc Accounting and Finance | | | | |
| 4 | Programme Code(s) | TMSACI | TMSACFIN_C | | | | |
| 5 | UCAS code | N/A | N/A | | | | |
| 6 | Home Department | Manage | Management | | | | |
| 7 | Exit Award(s) | PG Cert | PG Cert (passing 60 credit hours) | | | | |
| | | PG Diplo | PG Diploma (passing 120 credit hours) | | | | |
| 8 | Duration of Study (number of years) | 1 year f | 1 year full time; 2 years part time | | | | |
| 9 | Mode of Study | FT | х | PT | х | DL | |
| 10 | Level of Award (FHEQ) | 7 | • | • | | • | - |
| 11 | Other teaching depts or institution | N/A | N/A | | | | |
| 12 | Professional, Statutory Regulatory | Part of | Part of Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) Institute | | | | |
| | Body(PSRB) details | <u>Univers</u> | <u>University Affiliation Programme</u> with limited | | | | |
| | | number | number of CFA scholarships available. | | | | |
| 13 | QAA Benchmark Group | N/A | | | | | |

14 | Programme Rationale & Aims

This programme aims to equip students with the required knowledge and skills in accounting and finance. In addition, students will be able to improve their skills in using the required techniques to solve problems related to accounting and finance.

¹⁵ Entry Criteria

Usually a second-class honours degree in a subject related to finance, accounting or business studies. We also welcome students from any quantitative background.

We also welcome professional or other qualifications obtained by written examinations approved by the College. Relevant experience, supporting statements and references may be taken into consideration, especially in the case of non-standard applications.

International entry requirements:

If English is not your first language or you have not previously studied in English, our usual requirement is the equivalent of an International English Language Testing System (IELTS Academic Test) score of 6.5, with not less than 6.0 in each of the sub-tests.

If you don't meet the minimum IELTS requirement, we offer pre-sessional English courses, foundation programmes and language support services to help you improve your English language skills and get your place at Birkbeck.

Visit the International section of our website to find out more about our English language entry requirements and relevant requirements by country.

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16 Learning Outcomes

Provides a thorough understanding of the key areas of accounting and finance for non-accounting graduates.

On completion, students will be able to understand, apply and critically assess a wide range of accounting and financial theories.

Students will learn and apply the relevant techniques in each subject area.

Strong emphasis will be placed on analysis and interpretation using case study and live company analysis.

Learning, teaching and assessment methods

A 3-hour session each week aims to introduce students to the particular topic as well as to encourage them to get the required knowledge of the specific finance/investment area.

Consistent with the higher education at postgraduate level, lectures introduce and highlight the material but are not aimed to cover all the aspects related to the topic. Students are expected to read and prepare for lectures and to discuss whatever is necessary in the class.

The second part of the session is typically a seminar designed to solve questions or discuss cases or empirical studies related to the area of interest. Students are asked to prepare for these materials so they can engage with lecturer.

For assessment short tests, written examinations, coursework, and group work: minimum pass mark of 50%.

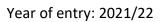
¹⁸ | Programme Description

Students take eight compulsory modules plus a 12,000-word dissertation on any area of accounting or finance.

¹⁹ | Programme Structure

Full-Time programme – 1 year

| Level | Module Code | Module Title | Credits | Status* |
|-------|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---------|------------|
| 7 | BUMN071H7 | Quantitative Methods for Finance | 15 | Compulsory |
| 7 | BUMN041H7 | Applied Financial Management | 15 | Compulsory |
| 7 | BUMN039H7 | Principles of Financial Reporting | 15 | Compulsory |
| 7 | BUMN072H7 | Principles of Investment Management | 15 | Compulsory |
| 7 | BUMN074H7 | Multinational Financial Management | 15 | Compulsory |
| 7 | BUMN042H7 | Management Accounting and Decision Making | 15 | Compulsory |
| 7 | NEW | Research Methods in Accounting and Finance | 15 | Compulsory |
| 7 | BUMN040H7 | Contemporary issues in Financial Reporting for Complex Entities | 15 | Compulsory |
| 7 | BUMN061D7 | MSc Dissertation | 60 | Core |





| Part-Time programme – 2 years | | | | | |
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| Year 1 | | | | | |
| Level | Module Code | Module Title | Credits | Status* | |
| 7 | BUMN071H7 | Quantitative Methods of Finance | 15 | Compulsory | |
| 7 | BUMN041H7 | Applied Financial Management | 15 | Compulsory | |
| 7 | BUMN072H7 | Principles of Investment Management | 15 | Compulsory | |
| 7 | BUMN042H7 | Management Accounting and Decision Making | 15 | .5 Compulsory | |
| 7 | BUMN039H7 | Principles of Financial Reporting | 15 | Compulsory | |
| Year 2 | | | • | | |
| Level | Module Code | Module Title | Credits | Status* | |
| 7 | BUMN174H7 | Research Methods in Accounting and Finance | 15 | Compulsory | |
| 7 | BUMN074H7 | Multinational Financial Management | 15 | Compulsory | |
| 7 | BUMN040H7 | Contemporary issues in Financial Reporting for Complex Entities | 15 | Compulsory | |
| 7 | BUMN061D7 | MSc Dissertation | 60 | Core | |

Status*

CORE – Module must be taken and passed by student; COMPULSORY – Module must be taken, mark can be reviewed at sub-exam board; OPTIONAL – Student can choose to take this module

| 20 | Programme Director | Professor Emmanuel Mamatzakis |
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| 21 | Start Date (term/year) | Autumn 2011/12 |
| 22 | Date approved by TQEC | Spring 2011 |
| 23 | Date approved by Academic Board | Summer 2011 |
| 24 | Date(s) updated/amended | 20 October 2020 |