Finance

Informed by numbers, driven by principle.

Finance is the study of financial markets, focusing on individuals, public or private institutions, nonprofit organizations and government entities. As a Finance major, you’ll learn the principles, concepts and analytical tools essential to make data-driven, informed decisions to ensure the financial success of your client or organization.

SOURCES OF ACCEPTED FULL-TIME OFFERS*
INTERNSHIP | ON-CAMPUS INTERVIEW | JOB POSTING
FAMILY/FRIEND | COMPANY WEBSITES
ALUMNI/FACULTY/STAFF

WASHU CLUBS/PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES
WashU Investment Banking Association (WUIB)
WashU Student Investment Fund (WUSIF)
Women in Finance
Olin Venture Fund
TAMID

COMMON INDUSTRIES
Investment Banking, Corporate Finance, Commercial Banking, Asset Management, Sales and Trading, Private Equity, Hedge Fund Management, Real Estate, Insurance, Risk Management, Private Wealth Management, Nonprofit Management

STANDARD JOB TITLES*

AVERAGE FULL-TIME COMPENSATION*
$79,614

AVERAGE INTERNSHIP COMPENSATION*
$32/hour

SOURCES OF INTERNSHIP OFFERS*
ON-CAMPUS INTERVIEW
FAMILY/FRIEND CONNECTION
COMPANY WEBSITE
CAREER FAIR/NETWORKING EVENT
ALUMNI/FACULTY/STAFF

TOP OLIN FULL-TIME EMPLOYERS*

TOP OLIN INTERNSHIP EMPLOYERS*

FULL-TIME EMPLOYER INDUSTRIES*
Financial Services, Consulting, Technology, Accounting, Real Estate

*Information collected from self-reported student data from the Class of 2021.
Contact Us.
Schedule an appointment with your Career Coach
Weston Career Center
210 Knight Hall
314-935-5950
wcc@olin.wustl.edu
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Career Search Timeline

**FIRST YEAR**

**Fall Semester**
- Meet with your designated Career Coach
- Attend Activities Fair to find ways to get involved on campus
- Get acclimated to campus
- Attend employer events on campus
- Develop resume and create profile in Handshake
- Join WashU Career Center’s career interest group(s)

**Spring Semester**
- Create LinkedIn profile and have your Career Coach review it
- Conduct informational interviews
- Attend career-related events (coffee chats, info sessions, etc.)
- Explore companies that interest you
- Research finance specializations
- Discuss finance class selection and study abroad opportunities with your Academic Adviser

**Summer**
- Expand your network, both in person and on LinkedIn
- Connect with upperclassmen to learn about their experiences
- Update your resume if you have a summer job or internship

**WASHU CAREER INTEREST GROUPS**
https://students.wustl.edu/career-interest-groups/

**SECOND YEAR**

**Fall Semester**
- Participate in Management 201
- Update resume and meet with your Career Coach
- Participate in Training the Street
- Attend employer events and info sessions on campus
- Seek out leadership opportunities and involvement with campus organizations
- Research career paths across the financial services industry
- Begin making your target list of banks or companies; start technical interview preparation

**Spring Semester**
- Start researching career treks and roadshows

**Junior Year**

**Fall Semester**
- Update resume and cover letters regarding summer experiences; have your Career Coach review them
- Be prepared for the heavy recruiting season (September–October)
- Attend employer events on campus
- Seek leadership roles in extracurricular activities
- Continue networking and interacting with employers and alumni
- Make appointments with your Career Coach for mock interviews
- Explore grad school, if interested
- Participate in Training the Street

**Spring Semester**
- Continue working with your Career Coach when studying abroad
- Prepare for your summer internship

**Senior Year**

**Fall Semester**
- Participate in fall recruiting as needed
- Meet with your Career Coach to evaluate offers and discuss negotiations
- Become a mentor for underclassmen
- Review salary negotiation resources

**Spring Semester**
- Prepare for transition to full-time work
- Build WashU network at your future job location
- Share career search experience with your Career Coach

**Summer**
- Begin your career!
- Connect with current WashU students
- Stay connected as an engaged alum

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