Real-world finance – applied

GRADUATE PROGRAMS
Macquarie Applied Finance Centre (MAFC) has equipped more than 5000 graduates from around the world with the knowledge and skills needed to succeed in the financial, regulatory and corporate sectors. Our programs reflect a unique blend of theory and practice, combining academic rigour with the real-world experience of expert industry practitioners.
MASTER OF APPLIED FINANCE

Macquarie's Master of Applied Finance (MAppFin) is recognised as the banking and finance industry's premier graduate degree.

Genuinely applied finance is taught mainly face to face by highly experienced industry practitioners in Sydney, Melbourne and Beijing. With an unparalleled range of electives that revolve around a rigorous core curriculum, we provide an individualised and supported learning experience targeting your own career plans.

WHO SHOULD APPLY?
The program is for experienced professionals in the finance industry or in other professions (eg engineering, law, IT) who are seeking to advance their career or transition to the finance sector.

Alternative pathways into the program recognise your prior qualifications and professional work experience.

HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE?
The program may be completed in one year, full-time equivalent, or two years' part time. The duration depends on recognition of your prior learning (RPL) on entry. Visit mafc.mq.edu.au or email information@mafc.mq.edu.au for information about RPL.

WHAT YOU WILL STUDY
• Four initial online gateway units – if you are from a non-finance background (4 credit points each):
  – Case Studies in Applied Finance
  – Finance Principles
  – Financial Statement Analysis and Modelling
  – Quantitative and Economic Analysis
• Four face to face advanced core units (4 credit points each):
  – Corporate Finance
  – Financial Instruments
  – Financial Risk Management, and
  – Portfolio Management and Valuation (prerequisite for all other cores)
• Six face to face elective units (2 credit points each).
• One face to face compulsory unit (4 credit points):
  – Professional Practice

Candidates with a bachelor degree in a business or finance field and a minimum of two years' relevant professional work experience can apply for advanced standing for the four gateway units.

GRADUATE DIPLOMA OF APPLIED FINANCE

Macquarie's Graduate Diploma of Applied Finance (GradDipAppFin) offers an opportunity for finance industry professionals with prior studies in a business or finance field to study at an advanced level without necessarily taking the full MAppFin program. The GradDipAppFin program's structure allows students with finance-related experience to develop specialised knowledge in a sharply focused field.

The graduate diploma program is as rigorous as the MAppFin program. All units offered are from the MAppFin program and are taught and assessed at that level.

Students from both programs take the same classes. Students who complete the graduate diploma may choose to continue their studies with the MAppFin – a further 16 credit points of study is required to be awarded the MAppFin.

WHO SHOULD APPLY?
The program is for experienced finance professionals seeking advanced skills and knowledge in a specialised area of finance.

GENERALIST OR SPECIALIST?
The program is offered as a generalist degree or in two specialisations:
• Graduate Diploma of Applied Finance (Business Valuation)
• Graduate Diploma of Applied Finance (Retirement Outcomes)

HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE?
The GradDipAppFin is designed to be completed over 12-15 months part time, allowing for prerequisites to be completed.

WHAT YOU WILL STUDY
Portfolio Management and Valuation plus 12 credit points from the advanced core and elective units of study, such as:
• Applied Business Valuation
• Applied Portfolio Management
• Corporate Finance
• Corporate Treasury Management
• Financial Instruments
• Financial Risk Management
• Investment and Credit Analysis
• Investment Banking
• Private Wealth Management
• Project Finance
• Resources Industry Investment Analysis
GRADUATE CERTIFICATE OF FINANCE
Macquarie’s Graduate Certificate of Finance (GradCertFin) is a comprehensive gateway program in graduate finance education.

This online program of study offers four commencing dates each year. Students study in a location of their choice, but with academic direction and support from MAFC.

WHO SHOULD APPLY?
This program is for professionals seeking an understanding of finance concepts, techniques and applications. The program is designed for:
- individuals who are working or studying in a non-finance field and looking to attain financial competencies or to transition into a career in the finance industry. Students will acquire the fundamental finance skills and knowledge needed to expand their career options
- individuals commencing their working lives and thinking about future career progression. The Graduate Certificate of Finance is a pathway towards the leading MAppFin qualification
- industry professionals who do not have a bachelor degree but want to commence graduate studies. If you have 5+ years’ professional work experience, you may be eligible for admission.

WHAT YOU WILL STUDY
Four compulsory units:
- Case Studies in Applied Finance
- Finance Principles
- Financial Statement Analysis and Modelling
- Quantitative and Economic Analysis

HOW YOU WILL STUDY
Each unit of study has been designed to ensure students progress through the structured learning activities in a supportive environment. Our students learn in partnership with their peers and MAFC academics. We use a pedagogy of continual learning and feedback, allowing you to engage meaningfully with the curriculum.

PATHWAYS

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Entry pathways to Master of Applied Finance

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Bachelor degree

Graduate programs
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