



**THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES  
CAVE HILL CAMPUS**

**THE FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES**

**DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT STUDIES  
GRADUATE AND SPECIAL PROJECTS SECTION**



**M.Sc. FINANCE AND INVESTMENTS**

**2020-2021**

## **PROGRAMME SUMMARY:**

The M.Sc. Finance and Investments programme seeks to enable students to develop both the academic knowledge and the practical skills required to effectively function as a finance and investment professional. It is anticipated that such knowledge and skills will enable students to find gainful employment in areas ranging from security analysis to investment management, and pursue careers in finance related areas such as: investment analysis, investment banking and portfolio management.

The programme also seeks to equip students with transferrable skills such as teambuilding skills, time management and working under pressure. The programme also seeks to comply with the requirements for CFA accreditation by covering a significant portion of the CFA's Candidate Body of Knowledge (CBOK).

## **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR DEGREED APPLICANTS**

Applicants under this category should have:

- i. A Bachelor's degree from a university or college acceptable to the University of the West Indies, with at least lower second-class honours.
  - Students with pass degrees will be considered on the following conditions:
    - they are currently working in the field, or have adequate work experience, related to the programme, and
    - they are successful at an interview conducted by the Entrance Committee within the Department.
- ii. Two letters of recommendation.

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR NON-DEGREED APPLICANTS

The entry criteria for these students is as follows:

- i. Technical certificates, diplomas or professional designations that can be assessed by The University of the West Indies.
- ii. At least five years' experience in a related field at a Supervisory or higher level.
- iii. A successful interview conducted by a selected panel determined by the Campus Committee on Graduate Studies and the Department of Management Studies.
- iv. Two strong letters of recommendation.

### PROGRAMME COST

Programme costs of BDS \$30,000 (USD \$15 000) include required books and a laptop plus applicable University Registration fees, which include:

Amenities Fees	BDS \$960.00
Guild Fees	BDS \$120.00
ID Card (first year only)	BDS\$30.00

## **COURSE OF STUDY**

The M.Sc. Finance and Investments programme, will consist of 45 credits, to be completed in a minimum of 18 months. It will comprise thirteen (13) core courses (3 credits each), and an Applied Research Project (6 credits). These core courses will cover the basic tools and techniques required by a finance professional. In addition to this, the programme will consist of two mandatory not-for-credit workshops. The course structure for the M.Sc. Finance and Investments is as follows:

### **CORE COURSES**

- Corporate Finance
- Corporate Tax Planning and Management
- Equity and Fixed Income Securities
- Alternative Investments
- Quantitative Methods for Management
- International Tax
- Applied Research Paper
- Portfolio Management and Wealth Planning
- International Investments
- Investment Analysis
- Derivatives
- Computational Finance
- Ethical and Professional Standards for the Finance Professional
- Financial Analysis and Modelling

### **WORKSHOPS**

- Bloomberg 1
- Bloomberg 2

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