

Bachelor of Science in Business

Finance Option Worksheet 2023-2024

Fall

Spring

Year 1

_____ BGEN 104US – Bus & Eship Fund	3
<small>***Students transferring into Jabs who have already earned US credit must take BGEN 204 instead of BGEN 104US+BGEN 215</small>	
_____ Math ***Specific course based on math placement	3-6
_____ WRIT 101W – College Writing	3
_____ 1-2 University Core	<u>3-6</u>
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_____ BGEN 215- Career Readiness	2
_____ ECNS 101IS- Econ Way of Thinking	3
_____ M 161Q – Survey of Calculus	4
_____ University Core	3
_____ University Core	<u>3</u>
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- Explore minors
- Plan ahead for study abroad
- Check your non-bus/non-econ elective count

Year 2

_____ ACTG 201 – Prin of Acct I	3
_____ BMIS 211 – Data Analytics I	3
_____ STAT 216Q – Intro to Stats	3
_____ ECNS 204IS – Microeconomics	3
_____ University Core	<u>3</u>
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_____ ECNS 202 – Macroeconomics	3
_____ ACTG 223 – Prin Acct II	3
_____ BMGT 205 – Prof Bus Comm	3
_____ BMGT 240IS – Bus Resrch Meth	3
_____ BFIN 322 – Finance	<u>3</u>
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- Transition from Office of Student Services Advisors to Faculty Advisor
- Explore internship opportunities

Year 3

_____ BFIN 357 – Fin Markets & Inst	3
_____ ACTG 327 – Int Fin Acct & Report	3
_____ BMIS 311 – Mgmt Info Systems	3
_____ BMGT 322 – Operations Mgmt	3
_____ University Core	<u>3</u>
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_____ BMGT 335 – Mgmt & Org	3
_____ BMKT 325 – Marketing	3
_____ BFIN Elective _____	3
_____ ACTG 441 – Adv Fin Stat Anly	3
_____ Non-Business/Non-Econ Elecs	<u>3</u>
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- Submit Pre-Graduation Worksheet (PGW)
- Check total credit count

Senior Year

_____ BGEN 361 – Business Law	3
_____ BFIN 420R – Investments	3
_____ BFIN 435-Corp Finance	3
_____ Non-Business/Non-Econ Elec	3
_____ Free Elective	<u>3</u>
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_____ BGEN 499 – Sr Strategy Seminar	4
_____ BFIN 460 – Derivatives & Sec	3
_____ BFIN Elective _____	3
_____ Free Elective	<u>5</u>
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Know Your Degree Requirements:

University:

- University Core
- 42 Upper-Division (300-400 level) Credits
- 120 Total Credits
- 2.00 Cumulative MSU GPA

Jabs:

- Required Business Courses
- Option (BFIN) Specific Required Courses
- 2 BFIN Electives
- 48 credits Non-Business/Non-Econ Electives

University Core [1 course in each category]

- US** [University Seminar] = BGEN 104US
- W** [Writing] = WRIT 101W
- Q** [Quantitative Reasoning] = M 161Q
- D** [Diversity]
- CS** [Contemporary Issues in Science]
- IN** [Natural Science]
- IA/RA** [Art]
- IH** [Humanities]
- IS** [Social Science (IS)] = ECNS 101IS
- R** [Research] = BFIN 420R

Non-Business/Non-Economics Electives:

48 credits outside of business, econ & ag business (ECNS 101, ECNS 202, ECNS 204, BMGT 240 are included).

Take 2 Finance (BFIN) Electives (6 credits):

- BFIN 317-American Financial Inst (Fall only)
- BFIN 421 – Real Estate (usually Fall & Spring)
- BFIN 456 – Entrepreneurial Finance (usually Fall)
- BFIN 458 – Com Bank Mgmt (usually Spring)
- BFIN 461 – Portfolio Mgmt (usually Fall & Spring)
- BFIN 498 – Internship (Fall, Spring & Summer)*
- ACTG 401 -Fed Income Tax (usually Fall & Spring)
- ACTG 328 – Inter Accounting (usually Fall & Spring)
- ECNS 301 – Inter Micro w/ Calc (usually Fall & Spring)
- ECNS 303 – Inter Macro w/Calc (usually Fall & Spring)
- ECNS 345-Ag Fin & Credit An (usually Fall)
- ECNS 403R- Econometrics (usually Fall)
- ECNS 406 – Industrial Organizations (usually Fall)
- STAT 411 – Data Analysis I (usually Fall & Spring)

*counts as 1 elective

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Advising Info

Here's what you need to know:

Academic Planning is ESSENTIAL for timely graduation.

Grades of 'C-' or better are required for pre-requisite & required courses in majors, minors, and for all university core requirements. 2.0 cumulative GPA is required to graduation from MSU.

Plan for pre-requisites; they are enforced:

- You can see pre-requisites in DegreeWorks or in the online course catalog
- The computer WILL NOT let you register for a course for which you don't have the pre-requisite.

Key Finance Pre-Req Sequences:

*BFIN 357 → BFIN 420R, BFIN 435 & BFIN 460

*BFIN 322, BMKT 325, BMGT 335, BMIS 311, BGEN 361 & BMGT 322 → BGEN 499

You get electives; use them wisely! Recommended electives:

Non-business/non-economics electives:

- 40% of 120 (48 credits) required
- Use DegreeWorks to track your progress
- Don't leave them until your senior year!



120 total credits are required to graduate from MSU (in any major). Use DegreeWorks to count your credits. Most Business majors need a handful of **free electives to reach 120 total credits.**

Residency Policies:

- **Jabs:** Of the upper-division credits required for business students, at least 18 credits and BGEN 499 (4 credits) must be taken at Jabs.
- **MSU:** 23 of your last 30 credits must be taken at MSU (does not include study abroad).



Jabs Advising FAQs:

How does advising in Jabs work?

- New students (1st year & transfer) and all 1st & 2nd year students are advised by professional advisors in the Jabs Office of Student Service (OSS).
- As students move into year 3 & 4 they transition to a faculty advisor.
- All students work with Jabs Office of Student Services to apply for graduation and have their degree certified. See below.

**Need to meet with an advisor?
We have appointments
& drop-in advising!**



You have to APPLY to graduate!

1. Submit pre-graduation worksheet (PGW) signed by your advisor one year prior to graduation.

Spring grads = May 1; Fall grads = Dec 1 of the previous year!

2. Your degree is certified = confirm you are on track for graduation & enter certification note in DegreeWorks.

3. You apply for graduation in MyInfo. Application is 'unlocked' by the DegreeWorks certification note.



Ready to graduate? Here's the PGW form:

Questions? Need Help?

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www.montana.edu/business/current-students/student-services/