

ILLINOIS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

FINANCE

The study of finance is concerned with the management of money, investments, financial institutions, and the analytical preparation for careers in a wide variety of profit-seeking business and not-for-profit agencies. As a finance major, you will take coursework that will prepare you for entry-level employment in the fields of finance, insurance, banking, investments, and risk management. In addition, as a finance major at a liberal arts institution you will hone your critical thinking, writing and presentation skills and develop the broad outlook employers and graduate schools demand to prepare you for a life of continued learning.

Why Study Finance at Illinois Wesleyan?

- The philosophy of Illinois Wesleyan's finance major is that preparation for a career in finance requires study of a broad spectrum of topics, but with the ability to focus on a single area.
- Real-world experience is emphasized. Students have a chance to manage \$3 million of the University's Endowment, present their ideas to Industry Professionals, and use the same tools as professionals, such as a Bloomberg Terminal.

Learning from Highly Qualified Faculty

- **Jaime Peters**, *Assistant Professor of Finance*
M.B.A. — University of Chicago
Emphasizes knowledge of the day to day operations of the market and the practical use of financial theory in today's business world.
- **Robert Irons**, *Associate Professor of Finance*
Ph.D. from Illinois Institute of Technology
Encourages students to take intellectual risks and create proof of concepts learned that can follow them throughout their careers.



A Sampling of Courses Offered by Finance:

Accounting for Decision Making
Introduction to Risk Management and Insurance
Financial Management
Financial Statement Analysis
Investments
Portfolio Management

May Term 2019 Course:

Brexit

“Risk comes from not knowing what you are doing.”

Warren Buffett

Putting Learning into Practice

- IWU majors intern with a number of companies and organizations such as State Farm Insurance, AllState, Crabtree Financial, Northwestern Mutual, Goldman Sachs, and Merrill Lynch.
- Students have gained employment with a wide range of employers including; Accenture, Anthem Marketing Solutions, Archer Daniels Midland, Gallagher Bassett, Goldman Sachs, MB Financial, Navistar, RSM US LLC, State Farm Insurance, and Underwriters Laboratories.
- The Hart Career Center hosts on-campus recruitment for job placement. A sampling of employers that have recently conducted on-campus interviews include Accenture, Allstate Insurance Company, Caterpillar Inc., COUNTRY Financial, Deloitte Services LLP, Edward Jones, Kimberly-Clark, KPMG LLP, MB Financial Inc., Peace Corps and State Farm Insurance.



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