

What Can I Do with a Career in Finance?

Careers in finance involve assisting individuals and organizations in making investment decisions. Most people who degrees in finance work in areas including commercial banking, financial planning, investment banking, money managing, insurance and real estate, private equity, commercial lending and sales and trading. According to the Occupational Outlook Handbook, the demand for financial analysts is expected to grow as increasing technological improvements allow financial analysts to conduct higher quality analysis to help businesses manage their finances, identify investment trends, and deliver new products or services to clients.

Potential Career Fields

There is so much that you can do with your degree. Below are some initial options from the [Occupational Outlook Handbook](#) and other resources that you can explore.

- [Budget Analyst](#)
- [Financial Analysts](#)
- [Financial Examiners](#)
- [Insurance Underwriters](#)
- [Loan Officers](#)
- [Personal Financial Advisors](#)
- [Purchasing Managers](#)
- [Financial Managers](#)
- [Real Estate Analyst](#)
- [Wealth Manager](#)
- [Blockchain Product Manager](#)

What Alumni Are Doing with this Major According to LinkedIn

- Genentech – Finance Director
- Credible – Finance Operations
- Apple – Finance Manager
- PG&E – Financial Analyst
- Wells Fargo - Treasury Finance Consultant
- Bank of America – Lending Officer
- LendingClub – Credit Specialist
- Merrill Lynch – Wealth Management Advisor
- NY Life – Real Estate Analyst
- VIMANA Global Inc – Advisor & Chief Business Development Officer
- Bank of the West – Derivatives Operations Analyst, Treasury and Capital Markets

College of Business Organizations

Check out [College of Business student organizations](#) who can help you network, develop skills, and learn more about possibilities within this major.

- [Financial Analysis and Management Education\(FAME\)](#)

Professional Associations

Professional associations can be a great way to learn about what is going on in industries and companies that may be relevant to your major. Often these associations have low-cost membership fees for students and may special internship programs, scholarships, or networking events that will promote the professional development of future professionals. Here are some professional associations that you may want to explore.

Professional Associations (continued)

- [Association For Financial Professionals](#)
- [Mortgage Bankers Association](#)
- [CFA Society SF](#)
- [American Bankers Association](#)
- [North American Securities Administrators Association](#)
- [National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors](#)
- [National Association of Professional Insurance Agents](#)
- [Building Owners and Managers Association SF](#)

Career Research Resources

- [What Can I Do with This Major? \(On the SFSU Career Services site\)](#)
- [Occupational Outlook Handbook](#)
- [ONET](#)

Jobs/Internships

Check out the resources below to help you explore jobs/internships to gain experience.

- [Handshake](#)
- [COB Job/Internship Page](#)
- [Indeed](#)

Need Assistance?

If you need assistance with figuring out what to do with your major or with finding job/internship opportunities, please check out the [College of Business Career Center](#) in BUS 137. You can email cobcareer@sfsu.edu or call 415-338-2509 to set up an in-person, phone, or video appointment.

For additional support, you can check out the [SFSU Career Services and Leadership Development \(CSLD\)](#).