

PROFESSIONAL MASTER IN “FINANCE”

LEARNING OUTCOMES

The programme of Professional Master in “Finance” aims to prepare qualified experts and specialists in practical aspects and applicable skills in the field of finance, providing them with advanced theoretical knowledge, contemporary international practice and the Albanian experience in the field of establishing, operating and managing banks, stock exchanges and financial markets, insurance companies, specific investment or pension funds, etc. The graduates are able to:

- Demonstrate critical thinking and analytical skills related to financial tasks.
- Produce financial recommendations by applying financial tools and analytical methods.
- Apply quantitative methods and tools to evaluate financial instruments.
- Evaluate the financial environment and the impact of government policies and financial institutions.
- Develop a broad and comprehensive knowledge and understanding of core areas of banking and finance.

PROFILE: BANKING AND FINANCIAL MARKETS

This profile aims to create experts and specialists mainly in practical and applicable skills in the field of financial markets, banking and insurance policies, and applied finance. The graduates in Banking and Financial Markets profile are able to:

- Analyze and evaluate financial markets, how securities are traded, mutual funds, investment companies, and investor behavior.
- Analyze and evaluate operational and strategic decision-making in banking and finance.
- Evaluate the structure of financial markets, the different types of securities, and the performance of market participants.

PROFILE: ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL REPORTING

This profile aims to create experts and specialists in practical aspects and applicable skills in the field of accounting and financial reporting. The graduates in Accounting and Financial Reporting profile are able to:

- Report and analyze financial reports and lead auditing groups.
- Demonstrate the ability to deal with auditing and accounting issues and respond to current developments in the accounting and auditing profession;
- Demonstrate knowledge of management accounting concepts and techniques.

PROFILE: AUDITING AND RISK MANAGEMENT

This profile aims to create experts and specialists in theoretical aspects and practical, applicable skills in the field of audit and control of financial institutions and other corporations. The graduates in Auditing and Risk Management profile are able to:

- Report and analyze financial reports, lead auditing groups and evaluate and control the risks of a corporate;
- Understand risk assessment and its importance in the audit function;
- Demonstrate the ability to program and document the planning of an audit process including the initial risk assessment, calculation of materiality and preparation of audit programs.

PROFILE: PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND EVALUATION

This profile aims to create experts and specialists in theoretical aspects and practical, applicable skills in the field of finance and project management. The graduates in Project Management and Evaluation profile are able to:

- Demonstrate ability to manage the human resources of a project including organizing, managing and leading the project team;
- Compute evaluation reports for projects, mainly in the field of economy and finance;
- Evaluate economic aspects of a certain project implementation.

CURRICULA

| PROFESIONAL MASTER IN "FINANCE" 60 ECTS | | | |
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| No | Sem | Subject | ECTS |
| A - GENERAL SUBJECTS/ 5-10%/6 ECTS | | | |
| 1 | 1 | Advanced Research Methods | 6 |
| B - CHARACTERIZING/CORE SUBJECTS 30%-40%/ 18 ECTS | | | |
| 1 | 1 | Financial Institutions Management | 6 |
| 2 | 1 | Capital Markets and Financial Institutions | 6 |
| 3 | 2 | Governance, Risk and Ethics | 6 |
| C - INTERDISCIPLINARY/INTEGRATING/ELECTIVE SUBJECTS /20-30%/18 ECTS | | | |
| Profile | | <i>BANKING AND FINANCIAL MARKETS</i> | |
| 1 | 1 | Banking Markets and Institutions | 6 |
| 2 | 2 | Banking Accounting | 6 |
| 3 | 2 | Audit of Financial / Banking Institutions | 6 |
| Profile | | <i>ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL REPORTING</i> | |
| 1 | 1 | Managerial Accounting | 6 |
| 2 | 2 | International Financial and Reporting Standards | 6 |
| 3 | 2 | Audit of Financial / Banking Institutions | 6 |
| Profile | | <i>AUDITING AND RISK MANAGEMENT</i> | |
| 1 | 2 | Internal Control and Audit | 6 |
| 2 | 1 | Advanced Financial Analysis | 6 |
| 3 | 2 | Audit of Financial / Banking Institutions | 6 |
| Profile | | <i>PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND EVALUATION</i> | |
| 1 | 1 | Project Management and Evaluation | 6 |
| 2 | 2 | Managerial Skills | 6 |
| 3 | 2 | Economic Evaluation of Projects | 6 |
| D - ADDITIONAL SUBJECTS 10%/ 6 ECTS | | | |
| 1 | 2 | Professional internship | 6 |
| E - FINAL OBLIGATIONS 10-20%/12 ECTS | | | |
| 1 | 1-2 | Diploma thesis/Final Comprehensive Exam | 12 |
| | | | TOTAL |
| | | | 60 |