Durham University
Postgraduate Modules Online
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These programme regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's core regulations for postgraduate programmes, and the marking and classification conventions for postgraduate programmes.

Durham University Business School is accredited by the European Quality Improvement System (EQUIS) for a period of five years from 2022 and the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) for a period of five years from 2024.

MSc Finance (Accounting and Finance) (N3K209)

1. This programme is available at Durham City in a full-time (12 months) mode of study.

Level 4 (Degree)

2. Candidates shall study and be assessed in the following modules:

		Credit Value
Econometric Methods ~	FINN41715	15
Advanced Financial Theory ~	FINN40515	15
Financial Accounting & Reporting ~	ACCT40315	15
Corporate Finance (MSc Finance) ~	FINN40615	15
Financial Statement Analysis ~	ACCT41015	15

3. Candidates shall also study and be assessed in one module to the value of 60 credits from List A below:

List A		**Credit Value**
Dissertation (MSc Finance) ~	FINN41060	60
Dissertation (International) (MSc Finance) ~	FINN41160	60

4. Candidates shall also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 45 credits from List B below (only a selection of these modules will be available each year):

List B		**Credit Value**
Accounting Theory	ACCT40815	15
Auditing and Accountability	ACCT40115	15
Banking and Financial Intermediation	FINN43515	15
Behavioural and Neurofinance	FINN43615	15
Climate Finance	FINN41515	15
Corporate Governance	ACCT40915	15
Capital Market Development	FINN43415	15
Derivative Markets	FINN40715	15
Accounting: An Information Content Perspective *	ACCT42115	15
Financial Modelling with Artificial Intelligence	FINN41615	15
Financial Engineering and Risk Analytics	FINN40215	15
Financial Technologies	FINN41315	15
Fintech Regulations	FINN41415	15
International Study Visit	FINN42815	15
Mergers, Acquisitions and Other Corporate Restructuring	FINN40915	15
Modern Accounting Research	ACCT40215	15
Python for Finance	FINN43815	15
Security Analysis	FINN40115	15
Multinational Finance *	FINN42115	15
Cybersecurity in Finance	FINN44215	15
Advanced Financial Technologies	FINN43715	15
Islamic Banking and Finance	FINN45115	15
Risk Management in Islamic Finance	FINN45715	15

Assessment, progression and award

5. There will be an assessment period in January/February for modules that are delivered in Term 1.
6. Candidates who have failed modules which are assessed in the January/February and/or May/June assessment period shall normally be required to resit all failed modules in the following August assessment period. Candidates whose failed modules are worth 30 or more credits may however elect to defer the submission of their dissertation until January of the following year.
7. No more than 75 credits may normally be undertaken in each of Term 1 and Term 2.
8. Candidates must submit a dissertation of not more than 12,000 words. Candidates who fail the dissertation on first submission in September may elect to resubmit in the following January/February as an alternative to the next normal occasion.
9. Modules marked with a ~ must be passed at 50% or above; a mark of 40-49% cannot be compensated.
10. Modules marked with a * are not available in 2026-27.

Certificate in Engagement with Practice in Finance

11. Students will have the opportunity to complete the Certificate in Engagement with Practice in Finance throughout the course, in which students will be assessed. This assessment does not contribute to the marks used to determine the award of degree. On completion of the Certificate in Engagement with Finance it will be included on the students' transcript.