MSc in Finance

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A DEGREE FOR TODAY’S FINANCIAL REALITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES

FEBRUARY START, 1 YEAR, 30 CREDITS FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME

Finance is evolving fast and is more critical than ever. Our MSc in Finance will equip you with a deep and state-of-the-art knowledge of finance, and relevant, practical experience sought by firms and financial institutions.

CEU Business School was founded by George Soros. It is an American school in Budapest, the heart of Central Europe and a financial services hub.
ABOUT CEU

Central European University (CEU) is a US-accredited institution of graduate education in Budapest, Hungary. It seeks to contribute to the development of open societies in Central and Eastern Europe, the former Soviet Union, and emerging economies worldwide. Times Higher Education ranks CEU among the world’s top 100 universities in social sciences including business, and #3 in terms of international outlook.

ABOUT CEU BUSINESS SCHOOL

CEU Business School is the CEE’s leading business school.

The overarching mission of CEU Business School is to act as a catalyst and leader for nurturing and growing superior business-school activities in our region and emerging markets throughout the world. To achieve this goal the School blends critical thinking, advanced approaches associated with modern professional management, the creativity and zeal of modern entrepreneurship and deep familiarity with business practices on the ground. Leveraging this dynamic tension of professionalism, entrepreneurialism and tacit knowledge of our region, CEU Business School and its community stay at the cutting edge of opportunity. The institution thereby retains its capacity to train new generations of successful business leaders, finance professionals, and entrepreneurs for fast-growing economies worldwide. Particularly important in support of our mission is CEU Business School’s focus on critical high-impact strategic anchors: innovation and entrepreneurship; business and society (especially integrity education and anti-corruption); leadership and strategy in emerging regions; and financial services in emerging regions.

MSC IN FINANCE FACULTY

Program faculty members are distinguished academics as well as finance industry executives and professionals with global experience and expertise. They bring knowledge from the latest thinking, applied research and active financial advising into the classroom, sharing intellectual and practical insights. CEU Business School’s faculty members have taught and earned degrees at such institutions as Yale, Princeton, Indiana, Cambridge, Oxford, Imperial, INSEAD, Tilburg, NTU and Sydney. Finance instructors at CEU’s Department of Economics and Department of Mathematics have taught and studied at Chicago, Princeton, NYU, Michigan, Boston, the LSE and other leading universities.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- American degree from a world-class university and the leading business school in the CEE
- Full-time or part-time, including as a dual degree with one of our other degree programs
- International and globally recognized faculty
- Two tracks: Financial Management and Investments & Banking
- Strong practical focus with a consulting project, the Finance@CEU expert-speaker series, case studies, simulations and company visits
- Specialist courses also available at CEU’s Department of Economics and Department of Mathematics
- Career services possessing strong connections in finance and business
- Forthcoming international exchange options
- A vibrant and international student body with a global alumni network across five continents
A GLOBAL COMMUNITY

You will be part of an international community with one of the most diverse and far-reaching university networks in the world. CEU Business School has close to 2,000 alumni in over 50 countries. CEU’s global alumni network has local chapters and representatives in 72 countries and more than 12,000 alumni making a difference in 119 countries.

DETAILED INFORMATION:
business.ceu.edu/masters-in-finance
CEU Business School is located in Budapest—the heart of Central Europe and a crossroads city offering the best of East and West. While immersed in history, this city of two million inhabitants looks to the future. It is a meeting place of people, ideas and cultures from all over the world. With its breathtaking range of architecture—from Roman ruins to Art Nouveau buildings—and elegant Habsburg-era boulevards, it is a city of historic grandeur. It is also alive with contemporary art and culture. And for the cost-conscious, Budapest is an attractive destination, enjoying a much lower cost of living—from apartment rentals to food to transportation—compared to other European cities. Other European capitals—Prague, Vienna, Bratislava, Zagreb, Belgrade—are easily experienced with a day trip or a weekend visit. In fact, all of Europe is within easy reach.

WHO IS IT FOR?

Our full-time program is designed for new graduates seeking a finance career and professionals seeking a career change into finance. The program runs February to December, but you may extend your studies to take specialist elective courses, go on an international exchange, or undertake independent study including a thesis.

Our part-time program is designed for working professionals with existing careers and those looking to do a dual degree with one of our other degree programs. The program is ideal for executives of major corporations, financial services professionals, and entrepreneurs seeking to develop their finance skills while leveraging our business incubator, the InnovationsLab. The program runs February to December, with the flexibility to extend your studies. International exchange opportunities and independent study may also be available on the part-time program.

CAREER PROSPECTS

CEU Business School ranks among Europe’s best in terms of employer reputation, and our graduates are sought after for key positions in some of the biggest names in finance and business. Budapest itself is a major financial services hub, with several global institutions basing part of their global operations here. Our Career Services Department offers an extensive career development program for our students. Corporate presentations are organized on a regular basis, and attract some of the world’s most prominent institutions.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Completed online application
- Undergraduate degree and transcripts
- Competitive GMAT or CFA (min levels 1 and 2) or ACCA exams (min. levels 1-8)
- Proof of English proficiency
- Statement of Purpose
- Professional CV
- 2 letters of recommendation

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TUITION AND FINANCIAL AID: GIFT WIDENS AVAILABILITY

This year you can take advantage of a generous gift from George Soros that covers partial tuition. The subsidy reduces our typical tuition rate by half.

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“Budapest is Central Europe’s major financial services hub and center of technology. You can learn from global experts working at the cutting edge of finance, interact with practitioners from our corporate partners, and build your professional network at regular meetups and events. This beautiful city provides a truly simulating environment and hosts financial research operations belonging to global institutions and multinational companies.”

PETER SZILÁGYI
Associate Professor of Finance
Academic Director

“Even in today’s post-crisis world, people and companies routinely put themselves at great risk by not understanding the complex financial environment that surrounds them. We build on a clear market need and our own finance expertise to offer a truly exciting and sophisticated program, which gives you the knowledge you need to succeed and the practical training to actually apply that knowledge.”

GÁBOR BARANYAI
Adjunct Senior Lecturer
Co-director

“CEU Business School is a great place to study finance. We teach the latest ideas and are very applied and practical at the same time. We are also extremely international, with a multicultural student community unique in Central Europe.”

LAURA IPACS
Adjunct Senior Lecturer
Co-director