

Course Plan for Investments and Portfolio Management

The following course of study is recommended to students preparing for careers emphasizing Investments and Portfolio Management:

- Complete all general University course requirements for the B.S. degree
- Complete all of the required College of Business core courses
- Complete the required courses in the Finance core
- Complete the following Finance electives:
FIL 343 and three* from ACC 231; FIL 246, 347, 370, 381, 398,** or other approved Finance electives

* The course of study described here reflects requirements under the 2006 – 07 and later Illinois State University Undergraduate Catalogs. Requirements are slightly different for students following earlier catalogs; for example, only two other Finance electives must be completed.

**A student may choose only one non-traditional Finance elective for major credit. Non-traditional electives include Internship and Business Study Abroad experiences.

Managers of investment portfolios are heavily involved in the gathering and interpreting of accounting information. Therefore, it is advantageous for any student with a strong interest in an investment-related career to complete at least six hours of Accounting beyond the College of Business's basic ACC 131 and 132 requirement. The serious Investment Management student is strongly encouraged to select ACC 231 as a Finance elective, and to take ACC 232 or other upper-level Accounting courses as University-wide electives.