The finance major is designed to prepare students for careers in financial management in all types of businesses, firms, and financial institutions. Students studying the field of finance take course work in corporate finance in which they study the effects of projects and financial policy on stockholder wealth. They study capital budgeting, project cost of capital, dividend policy, debt policy, leasing policy, and option pricing. Students examine different types of investments and their relative merits and the role of financial institutions, including the study of asset and liability management in commercial banks and saving institutions.¹

### Career Areas/Job Titles:

**Management and Industry**
- Actuary
- Commodities Trader
- Foreign Exchange Trader
- Insurance Agent
- Bookkeeper
- Credit Manager
- Business Analyst
- Mutual Fund Manager
- Loan Processor
- Property Manager
- Real Estate Developer
- Chief Executive Officer
- Chief Financial Officer
- External Auditor
- Investor Relations Specialist

**Communication and Media**
- Professor

**Government/Politics**
- Government Official

**Education**
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- Property Manager
- Real Estate Developer
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### Transferrable Skills:

- Basic Computer/Tech Skills
- Developing Evaluation Strategies
- Gathering Information
- Attention to Detail
- Organization Skills
- Forecasting/ Predicting
- Strategic Planning/Visioning
- Creating Innovative Solutions
- Quantitative Reasoning
- Data Analysis
- Analytical/Critical Thinking
- Problem Solving
- Managing Time/Stress

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*Some careers may require licensure, certification, or further education. Talk to an advisor about specific requirements.

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*This is not an extensive list of transferable skills. See larger list of skills you might develop here: [http://ccss.osu.edu](http://ccss.osu.edu)

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**Professional Links:**

- Financial Planning Association: [www.fpanet.org](http://www.fpanet.org)
- National Association of Personal Financial Advisors: [www.napfa.org](http://www.napfa.org)
- Commercial Finance Association: [https://www.cfa.com/eweb/](https://www.cfa.com/eweb/)
- US Department of the Treasury: [http://www.treasury.gov/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.treasury.gov/Pages/default.aspx)