The future of business education in the Rocky Mountain region is here, at the University of Colorado Denver’s Business School. Located in Denver’s vibrant downtown, the Business School’s extensive range of degree programs and innovative industry specializations keep pace with the needs of students and businesses in the region and beyond. Flexible class schedules, AACSB accreditation, and a focus on real-world application make the Business School a top choice for working professionals. Graduates leave with skills and knowledge that prime them for careers of significance.

EXPAND YOUR CAREER

An understanding of finance creates the knowledge to generate and manage resources for businesses and corporations. It teaches how to invest savings and wealth in securities such as stocks, bonds, commodities, money market funds, and derivatives. Finance also includes the study of the financial services industry including commercial and mortgage banking, insurance companies, mutual funds, stock exchanges, investment banking, and hedge funds. These entities provide multiple markets for businesses and investors to trade resources. Businesses face increasing consolidations and restructurings, and investment opportunities and trading platforms change rapidly: CU Denver Business School’s MS in Finance and Risk Management will prepare you to become a knowledgeable professional and leader in this exciting and challenging environment.

A DEGREE WITH FOCUS

The MS in Finance and Risk Management program is a high-quality program designed for students with strong quantitative skills. Courses are taught by academically superior research faculty with real-world business experience. You will acquire the analytical skills and in-depth, specialized knowledge to launch or advance in a finance career, facilitated by experiential learning at our state-of-the-art J.P. Morgan Center for Commodities. This degree also provides excellent preparation for the CFA, the FRM and other finance-related professional certifications.

J.P. MORGAN CENTER FOR COMMODITIES

The Business School is home to the J.P. Morgan Center for Commodities – a state-of-the-art facility that provides students with cutting-edge education in commodity markets, regulation, trading financial fundamentals, investing, and risk management. The first of its kind, this center will provide students with hands-on learning through commodity-specific research tools and a simulated trading center.
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PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS
The MS in Finance and Risk Management requires 30 semester hours: 18 semester hours of required finance core courses and 12 semester hours of finance electives, plus the potential of 3 semester hours of prerequisite course work. For maximum flexibility, students can blend campus and online courses within a semester. An advisor will evaluate prior coursework to determine prerequisite waivers.

REQUIRED COURSES

Prerequisites
› BUSN 6550 - Analyzing and Interpreting Accounting Information
› Strong quantitative skills and use of spreadsheets (Microsoft Excel)

Core Courses (18 Semester Hours)
› FNCE 6290 - Quantitative Methods for Finance
› BUSN 6620 - Applied Economics for Managers
› BUSN 6640 - Financial Management
› FNCE 6300 - Macroeconomics and Financial Markets
› FNCE 6330 - Investment Management Analysis
› FNCE 6380 - Futures and Options
OR FNCE 6382 - Survey of Financial Derivatives
OR FNCE 6410 - Real Options and Decisions under Uncertainty

Electives (12 Semester Hours)
To find out about specific elective course offerings, visit business.ucdenver.edu/ms/finance for a complete list with course descriptions.

MS FINANCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT SPECIALIZATIONS
Students pursuing an MS in Finance and Risk Management have the option to specialize in one of the five specializations listed below:
› Economics
› Finance
› Financial and Commodities Risk Management
› Financial Analysis and Management
› Risk Management and Insurance

DUAL DEGREE
The dual-degree program allows students to obtain the MS in Finance and Risk Management degree and the professional MBA degree with fewer courses than it would take to earn them separately.
MS in Finance and Risk Management + MBA (Professional MBA or Health Administration MBA)
MS in Finance and Risk Management + MA in Economics

SCHOLARSHIPS
The Business School offers a variety of scholarship opportunities to help you finance your graduate degree. Some scholarships are based on need and others are based on academic accomplishment. For more information or to apply, please visit our website at business.ucdenver.edu/scholarship.

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Degree specific questions? Email us at grad.advising@ucdenver.edu or call 303-315-8110 to schedule an appointment with an Academic Advisor.

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