

## Sample Course of Study and Curriculum Model

A sample course of study recommended by the student’s committee could be like that found in the table just below. “Electives” are courses in research methods and concentrations of courses in another discipline such as Economics.

### Sample Course of Study

First Year	
Fall	Spring
Theory of Finance FINC 8620 (3) <b>Elective 1</b> <b>Elective 2</b> Seminar Series FINC 8880 (1)	<b>Seminar in Corporate Finance FINC 8650 (3)</b> Elective 3 Elective 4 <b>Seminar Series FINC 8880(1)</b>
Second Year	
Fall	Spring
Seminar Investments FINC 8640 (3) <b>Elective 4</b> <b>Elective 5</b> Seminar Series FINC 8880 (1)	<b>Seminar in Fin Mkts and Inst FINC 8690 (3)</b> <b>Special Topics FINC 8700 (3)</b> Elective 6 <b>Seminar Series FINC 8880 (1)</b>
Third Year	
Fall	Spring
<b>Preliminary Exams</b> <b>Finance 8990 (9)</b> Seminar Series FINC 8880 (1)	Finance 8990 (9) <b>FINC 8880 (1)</b>
Fourth Year	
Fall	Spring
<b>Finance 8990(9)</b> <b>FINC 8880 (1)</b>	Finance 8990 (9) FINC 8880 (1)

*\*\*Courses in Bold are core courses that must be taken.*

Curriculum Model with Economics and Econometrics electives

Sample Course of Study with a Minor in Economics

First Year	
Fall	Spring
Theory of Finance FINC 8620 (3) <b>Econometrics I (3)</b> <b>Microeconomics I (3)</b> Seminar Series FINC 8880 (1)	<b>Seminar in Corporate Finance FINC 8650 (3)</b> Econometrics II (3) Microeconomics II (3) <b>Seminar Series FINC 8880(1)</b>
Second Year	
Fall	Spring
Seminar Investments FINC 8640 (3) <b>Macroeconomics I (3)</b> <b>Elective (3)</b> Seminar Series FINC 8880 (1)	<b>Seminar in Fin Mkts and Inst FINC 8690 (3)</b> Special Topics FINC 8700 (3) Macroeconomics II (3) <b>Seminar Series FINC 8880 (1)</b>
Third Year	
Fall	Spring
<b>Preliminary Exams</b> <b>Finance 8990 (9)</b> Seminar Series FINC 8880 (1)	Finance 8990 (9) FINC 8880 (1)
Fourth Year	
Fall	Spring
<b>Finance 8990(9)</b> <b>FINC 8880 (1)</b>	Finance 8990 (9) FINC 8880 (1)

**\*\* Electives must be approved by the student's advisory committee and must be in courses numbered 6000 and above**

## Description of Core Courses

### **FINC 8620-Theory of Finance (3 hours)**

Content includes choice under certainty and uncertainty, time-state preference models, stochastic dominance, mean-variance and asset pricing models. The course also includes arbitrage pricing models, contingent claims pricing, discrete and continuous models. MM propositions as well as agency and signaling theory would also be addressed.

**Prerequisite:** Finance 7600 and 7640 or the equivalent.

### **FINC 8640–Seminar in Investments (3 hours)**

This is primarily a reading course consisting of current literature in Investments. Requires seminar presentations by students with student and faculty critique. Research paper required on topical issues.

**Prerequisite:** Finance 8620 or the equivalent. Primarily for doctoral students.

### **FINC 8650–Seminar in Corporate Finance (3 hours)**

This is a readings course consisting of current literature in Corporate Finance. Requires seminar presentations by students with student and faculty critique. Term paper required.

**Prerequisite:** Finance 8620 or the equivalent. Primarily for doctoral students.

### **FINC 8690–Seminar in Financial Markets and Intermediation (3 hours)**

This a readings course consisting of current literature in Financial Markets and Institutions. Requires seminar presentations by students with student and faculty critique. Term paper required on topical issues.

**Prerequisite:** Finance 8620 or the equivalent. Primarily for doctoral students.

### **FINC (8700) Special Topics (3 hours)**

Varies according to faculty and student interest. This could be a course like Options, Futures and Derivatives, or a course with several participating faculty members discussing their own research such as international finance, insurance or real estate. )