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MSc Accounting and Financial Management

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Join the World Class

Explore qualitative perspectives of accounting and finance You will explore and apply principles and ideas within accounting and finance scenarios to understand and resolve issues in financial reporting and financial management within a company.

Stimulating programme materials enhance **Z** your learning experience

The programme uses an award-winning simulation in the Capstone project as a tool to explore a wide range of strategic financial challenges.

B Quality of learning

Academic direction for the programme is delivered by UCL. The programme draws on the extensive international accounting and financial management expertise of the School of Management team at UCL.

Opportunities to take your career further

🛨 You will gain the ability to apply a strong conceptual understanding of accounting and financial management to a range of strategic and operational contexts.

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A mark of excellence

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Earn an internationally recognised qualification from the University of London. The University has a track record of teaching, innovation and research dating back 160 years.

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Key dates

Applications and registration open:

28 June 2021

Applications close: 6 September 2021

Registrations close: 20 September 2021

Programme starts: 11 October 2021



A University of London degree from anywhere in the world



Associate Professor Barry McCarthy

Programme Director, UCL programme team Welcome to the the MSc Accounting and Financial Management (MAFM). If you register for the programme, we hope you will enjoy MAFM and all that it entails.

This programme has been designed and built by experienced accounting and finance academic staff from UCL School of Management, who combine 'real world' experience with academic knowledge. They have extensive experience of both face-to-face and online education.

The programme design reflects the challenges and demands managers face when engaging with a range of practical matters in their organisations. Such matters include: making financial decisions involving cost and profit determination, risk and return tradeoffs, and meeting/exceeding the expectations of finance funders. These are set against local and global considerations, involving both operational and strategic perspectives.

The content covers core ingredients of financial and management accounting,

plus financial management. It also considers advanced financial analysis, performance measurement and management, issues around investment, management and international capital markets, governance and ethics, as well as global issues impacting upon the accounting and financial management arena.

MAFM has a Capstone project which involves a strategic financial challenge, incorporating many of the matters considered elsewhere in the programme. The Capstone draws upon an award-winning business simulation engaging with the financial management issues and challenges in changing the strategic direction of a troubled airport.

This programme is intellectually stimulating, practical – and fun! We'll teach you how to apply what you've learned to enable improved financial decision-making and better management of financial affairs.

A trusted name in global education



The University of London is one of the world's leading universities, internationally recognised for its high academic standards. This reputation is based on the outstanding teaching and research of our 17 Member Institutions.

Upon finishing a programme of study, graduates automatically become part of the University of London alumni community, a diverse global network of more than one million graduates. Among former students are six Nobel Prize winners, including Nelson Mandela and Charles Kao, a pioneer in the development of fibre-optics.

London made global

Founded in 1836, the University of London is one of the oldest and most prestigious universities in the UK and is internationally regarded as a centre of academic excellence. In 1858, we made our degrees available to study anywhere in the world.

Today, we have more than 48,000 students in over 190 countries, studying on 100-plus degrees, diplomas and certificates.

Delivered by experts in the field

This University of London degree has been developed by and is delivered with academic direction from UCL. UCL is one of the most prestigious universities in the world, ranked 10th in the world in the 2021 QS rankings.

The programme draws on the expertise of the School of Management team at UCL who have designed and delivered a range of accounting, finance, and management related courses, both on campus and online.

More than a finance qualification

This online programme provides you with an opportunity to acquire, develop and apply master's level knowledge, understanding and skills within accounting, financial management and strategic contexts for business and management. Rather than being a hard-edged quantitative finance programme, it blends quantitative analyses with managerial applications.

This MSc enables students to engage with and contribute meaningfully to financial decision making within their current or future organisations, and understand from a financial management perspective wider corporate governance issues and the obligations of company directors.

By studying this programme, you will:

- develop an understanding of financial ideas, models and techniques appropriate for solutions to management challenges
- understand and apply financial ideas and frameworks within the sphere of financial reporting, the arena of management accounting, and the field of financial management
- understand the strategic dimension when applying specific financial models and techniques to support both decision making and routine operations
- understand the complex internal and external relationships for organisations when management make decisions
- develop an analytical, critical and reflective mindset relating to matters financial.

In some countries, qualifications earned by distance and flexible learning may not be recognised by certain authorities or regulators for the purposes of public sector employment or further study. We advise you to explore the local recognition status before your register.



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How you study

The degree takes a deep, strategic approach to accounting and finance and associated operational perspectives.

You will develop an understanding of the areas that managers would encounter on a daily basis, complemented by engagements with selected specialist issues. The programme uses lcarus, an award-winning simulation developed by UCL School of Management academics, as an experiential learning tool analysing and exploring a wide range of strategic challenges including pricing, infrastructure investment and human resource matters.

There is no assumption that you have taken a finance/accounting degree at bachelor's level. Each module involving quantitative elements 'starts from scratch'.

Programme structure

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Ten compulsory modules (150 credits total)

One compulsory Capstone Project (30 credits)

For further information on intermediate qualifications and available modules, please visit: london.ac.uk/accounting-financial

Online support

The programme is delivered online and there is no requirement to come to the UK as part of your studies. Our flexible online programme allows you to work around your own schedule and leads to a globally-recognised gualification.

When you register, we will give you access to the Student Portal. You can then access your University of London email account and other key resources including:

- The Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) which provides access to the online Reach Out Forum and discussion areas which allow students to communicate with each other.
- Online subject guides for each module studied; these introduce and develop the topics.
- The Online Library provides access to over 100 million academic electronic items comprising ebooks, ejournals, conference proceedings etc. In addition, students can request items which are not held in the library via the Online Library's Inter-Library Loan service with the British Library. All registered students have free access to the University of London's Online Library via: onlinelibrary.london.ac.uk
- Senate House Library provides free reference access for all registered distance and flexible learning students.



Tutor support

All students receive online tutor support while studying this programme. Tutors introduce the modules, respond to academic queries, monitor and facilitate discussions and anchor students during each week of their studies to help them stay on track.

Assessment

The format and mode of assessment for these programmes may change due to events or circumstances beyond our control. Students will be informed of their assessment arrangements via the VLE, once confirmed. For the latest information on assessment, please visit: **london.ac.uk/exams**

Study materials

All essential resources, activities, videos, discussions and support are provided through the VLE. This allows you to fit your studies around your work commitments. There is no need to purchase additional textbooks.

Time commitment

The flexible approach to learning allows students to complete the MSc in a minimum of one and a half years (subject to module availability) to a maximum of five years.

You can study at your own pace, either part-time or full-time, adjusting the intensity of learning to suit your needs.

Further information

Entrance requirements

To qualify to register for the MSc you will need a bachelor degree which is considered at least comparable to a UK upper second class honours degree from an institution acceptable to the University.

English language requirements

You must satisfy the English language requirements for the programme. For more information on the requirements please visit: **bit.ly/english-reqs**

If you do not meet the English language proficiency requirements but believe that you can demonstrate the requisite proficiency, the University may, at its discretion, consider your application.

Computer requirements

The University of London sets minimum basic computer requirements because your study resources are accessed via the Student Portal and it is vital that you can access this regularly.

For this programme, you will need regular access to a computer with an internet connection. You will also need a media player (such as VLC) to play video files.

For more information about specific software requirements, please visit: **london.ac.uk/accounting-financial**

How to apply

Please refer to the MSc Accounting and Financial Management webpages for details on how to apply: Iondon.ac.uk/accounting-financial

Fees

The total fee payable to the University of London for 2021–2022 will be published on our website once confirmed. On average, fees incur a five per cent year-on-year increase. For the latest information on programme fees, please visit: **Iondon.ac.uk/fees**

Please note: student fees shown on our website are net of any local VAT, Goods and Services Tax (GST) or any other sales tax payable by the student in their country of residence. Where the University is required to add VAT, GST or any other sales tax at the local statutory rate, this will be added to the fees shown during the payment process. For students resident in the UK, our fees are exempt from VAT.





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