



Concentration in Financial Economics and Econometrics

The Economics department is offering a Concentration in Financial Economics and Econometrics. This selective program fills a need for additional training in applied quantitative economic reasoning.

The coursework for the Concentration will provide fast-paced and rigorous training in financial economics that will prepare students for careers in investment management, banking, research, and policy-making. Admission to the Concentration will be selective, and Economics and International Economics majors in the College of Arts and Letters may apply.

Important Dates:

- Application Deadline: No later than **February 15th** of student's *sophomore* year
- Admission decisions: By **March 15**

Admissions decisions will be based on the following factors:

- Overall GPA
- Performance in prior economics courses
- Mathematical background
- Completion of Intermediate Microeconomic Theory by the end of sophomore year

Additional Requirements:

- Fulfill the core requirements of the Economics or International Economics majors
- Additional requirement of five classes - three core classes and two electives. These classes would jointly satisfy the electives requirements within the Economics or International Economics majors.

Core Classes—all students must take the following three courses

- **Financial Economics** (ECON 40354) First offering in fall 2014
- **Asset Pricing** First offering in spring 2015
- **Financial Econometrics First** offering in fall 2015

Upper level electives

All students are required to take **two** of the following electives:

- International Money (ECON 40720)
- Monetary Policy (ECON 40362)
- Monetary Theory and Policy (ECON 40364)
- Fixed Income Markets – Future course
- Forecasting for Economics and Business (ECON 43330)
- Options Pricing – Future course
- Corporate Finance – Future course
- Introduction to Financial Mathematics (MATH 30610)
- Mathematical Methods in Financial Economics (MATH 40570/FIN 40820)
- Statistical Methods in Financial Risk Management (ACMS 40890)

The Concentration will also offer additional out-of-classroom enrichment opportunities, such as presentations by outside researchers and practitioners. These events will complement the coursework by offering insights into the world of finance and of policymaking, and will be natural opportunities for networking and for career advancement.

Please contact **Mary Flannery**, Director of Undergraduate Studies in Economics, mflanne2@nd.edu with any questions.