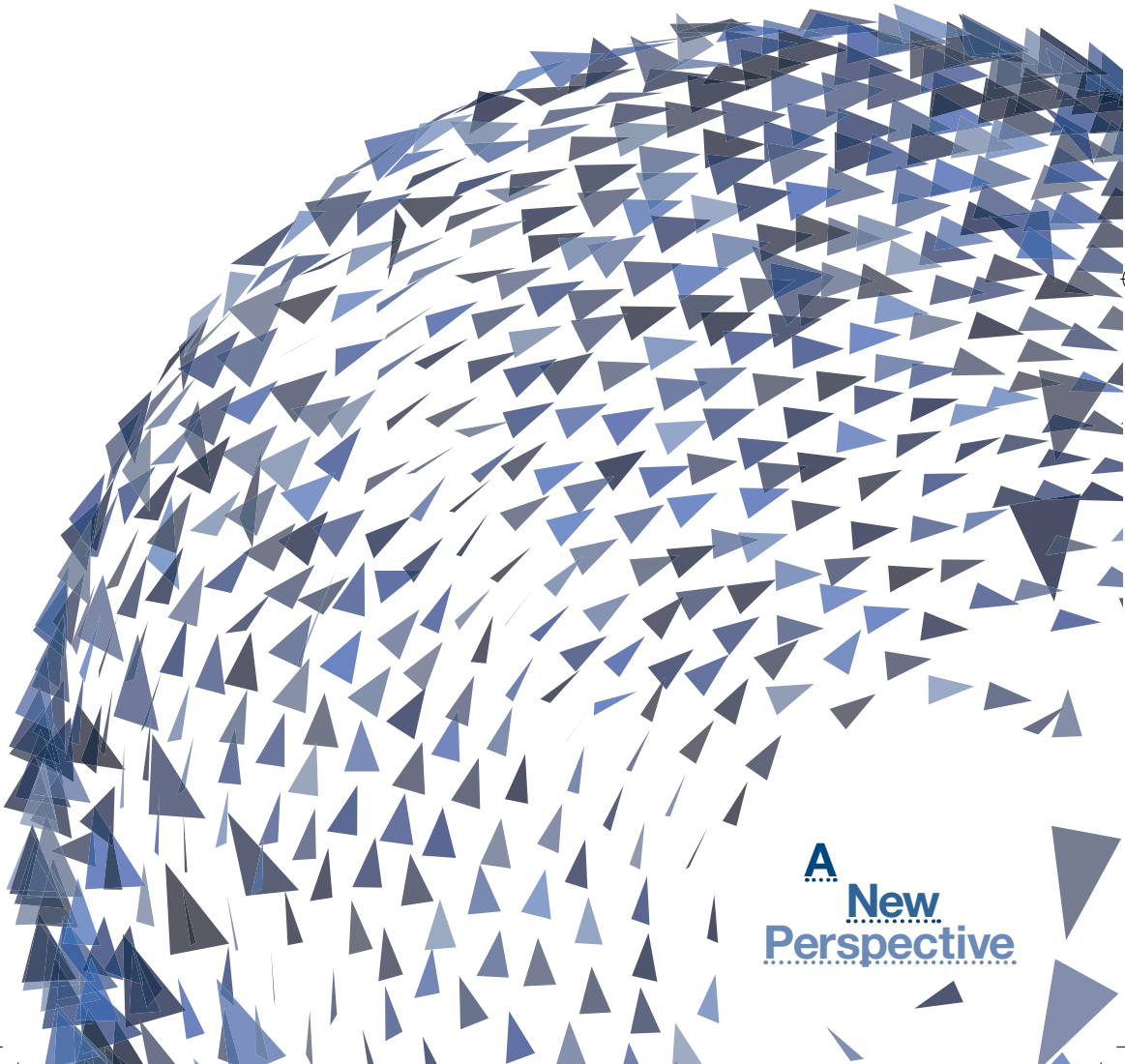




MSc Finance



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Programme description

Worldwide growth in the financial services sector has furthered the demand for students with specialist skills and competencies in banking and finance.

This programme builds on the School's established strengths in economics and finance and is responsive to trends and issues in global financial services industries.

The programme provides participants with an opportunity to critically analyse the role of banking within international financial markets, notably the management of individual, company and country risk.

Attention is also placed on developing a contemporary empirical understanding of the behaviour of international financial markets, alongside providing candidates with the ICT and research skills required by employers in this highly competitive sector.

Closely related to the School's MSc Banking and Finance programme, the Finance degree features compulsory modules in financial theory and corporate policy and optional specialist banking modules.





Who is the programme for?

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The MSc in Finance is particularly aimed at those interested in pursuing a career in investment banking, financial research, and financial trading.

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Professional skill development

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On completing the programme students should be able to demonstrate:

- The ability to apply appropriate computational techniques in the area of finance and an advanced capability with some of these techniques;
- The ability to critically assess the quality of the analytical data generated by these techniques, and to synthesise and present relevant data, conclusions and recommendations to both specialist and non-specialist audiences; and
- The ability to apply, with originality and creativity, the knowledge, skills and understanding gained on the programme to complex issues within the finance and related industries.





Programme structure

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The programme is modular in structure, comprising 180 credits, which are studied on a full-time basis over 12 months.

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Compulsory modules (130 credits) include:

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- **Financial theory & corporate policy**
(20 credits)
- **Econometrics I**
(10 credits)
- **Financial derivatives**
(20 credits)
- **Research methods in economics and finance**
(10 credits)
- **Empirical techniques in research**
(10 credits)
- **Dissertation**
(60 credits)

Optional modules (candidates select 50 credits from the list below):

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- **International money & banking**
(10 credits)
- **Econometrics II**
(10 credits)
- **Behavioural finance**
(10 credits)
- **Risk modelling**
(10 credits)
- **Central banking**
(10 credits)
- **Legal & regulatory aspects of banking supervision**
(10 credits)
- **Legal & regulatory aspects of money laundering & financial crime**
(10 credits)
- **Risk & insurance**
(20 credits)
- **International finance**
(10 credits)
- **Cross sectional and panel econometrics**
(10 credits)





Student profile

‘I am studying MSc Finance degree at the Business School.

It involves a mix of both the theoretical study and practical application of the syllabus we cover.

This probably makes it the most enjoyable part of my degree as we don’t only have to learn theory but get to apply it in practice too.

I have absolutely loved the teaching style of some of my lecturers, as they made it very easy to understand rather complex things by way of real-life examples.’

**Nehaa Nayyar,
India**



Entry requirements

Candidates are required to hold a minimum upper second class first degree (2:1) or overseas equivalent, with transcript evidence of mathematical education.

Applicants whose first language is not English require IELTS 6.5 or equivalent, with no less than 6.0 in any element.

Pre-sessional courses in English language are provided by the University and successful completion of these may be a condition of entry.

How to apply

To make an application, please complete the online application form which is available via the website at: www.ncl.ac.uk/postgraduate/apply/

Due to the popularity of our programmes we recommend that all candidates apply at their earliest convenience.

Fees per academic year 2011/2012

UK/EU:	£8,450
International:	£14,840





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