

# STRATHCLYDE BUSINESS SCHOOL

## DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

### INVESTMENT AND FINANCE

**Master of Science in Investment and Finance**  
**Postgraduate Diploma in Investment and Finance**  
**Postgraduate Certificate in Investment and Finance**

*These regulations are to be read in conjunction with the [General Academic Regulations - Postgraduate Taught Degree Programme Level](#).*

#### **Admission**

1. Notwithstanding the [General Academic Regulations - Postgraduate Taught Degree Programme Level](#), applicants shall possess:
  - i. a first or second class Honours degree of a United Kingdom University, in a relevant area (Finance, Economics, Mathematics, Statistics or Computing); or
  - ii. a qualification deemed by the Programme Leader acting on behalf of Senate to be equivalent to i. above.
2. In all cases, applicants whose first language is not English, shall be required to demonstrate an appropriate level of English.

#### **Duration of Study**

3. See [General Academic Regulations - Postgraduate Taught Degree Programme Level](#).

#### **Mode of Study**

4. The programmes are available by full-time study.

#### **Curriculum**

5. All students shall undertake an approved curriculum as follows:
  - i. for the Postgraduate Certificate no fewer than 60 credits from the curriculum
  - ii. for the Postgraduate Diploma no fewer than 120 credits from the compulsory modules
  - iii. for the degree of MSc no fewer than 180 credits including a dissertation or project

#### **Compulsory Modules (September Start)**

<b>Module Code</b>	<b>Module Title</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Credits</b>
AG909	Quantitative Methods for Finance	5	20
AG910	Principles of Finance	5	20
AG911	Accounting & Financial Analysis	5	20
AG912	International Financial Markets & Banking	5	20
AG917	Topics in Corporate Finance	5	10

AG924	Portfolio Theory & Management	5	10
AG925	Derivatives & Treasury Management	5	20
AG938	Equity Analysis	5	10

**Compulsory Modules (January Start)**

Module Code	Module Title	Level	Credits
AG988	Quantitative Methods for Finance	5	20
AG989	Principles of Finance	5	20
AG990	Accounting & Financial Analysis	5	20
AG991	International Financial Markets & Banking	5	20
AG985	Topics in Corporate Finance	5	10
AG996	Portfolio Theory & Management	5	10
AG997	Derivatives & Treasury Management	5	20
AG986	Equity Analysis	5	10

**Students for the degree of MSc only (September Start):**

Module Code	Module Title	Level	Credits
AG942	Research Project 1	5	20
AG943	Research Project 2	5	20
Or (in exceptional circumstances and at the Programme Leader's discretion):			
AG913	Dissertation	5	40

**Students for the degree of MSc only (January Start):**

Module Code	Module Title	Level	Credits
AG998	Research Project 1	5	20
AG999	Research Project 2	5	20

**Optional Modules (September Start)**

10 credits chosen from:

Module Code	Module Title	Level	Credits
AG923	Empirical Methods in Finance	5	10
AG916	Behavioural Finance	5	10
MS988	Financial Modelling for Excel	5	10
AG937	Fixed Income Analysis	5	10

Not all optional modules on this list will be available in each academic year.

### **Optional Modules (January Start)**

10 credits chosen from:

Module Code	Module Title	Level	Credits
AG995	Empirical Methods in Finance	5	10
AG987	Fixed Income Analysis	5	10
AG994	Management Accounting	5	10

Not all optional modules on this list will be available in each academic year.

### **Examination, Progress and Final Assessment**

6. See [General Academic Regulations - Postgraduate Taught Degree Programme Level](#).
7. The final award will be based on performance in the examinations, coursework and the dissertation or research projects where undertaken.

### **Award**

8. **Degree of MSc:** In order to qualify for the award of the degree of the MSc in Investment and Finance, a candidate must have performed to the satisfaction of the Board of Examiners and must have accumulated no fewer than 180 credits, of which for the September intake 40 credits must have been awarded in respect of the research projects AG942 and AG943 or in exceptional circumstances the dissertation AG913, or for the January intake must have been awarded in respect of the research projects AG998 and AG999.
9. **Postgraduate Diploma:** In order to qualify for the award of the Postgraduate Diploma in Investment and Finance, a candidate must have accumulated no fewer than 120 credits from the taught modules of the programme.
10. **Postgraduate Certificate:** In order to qualify for the award of the Postgraduate Certificate in Investment and Finance, a candidate must have accumulated no fewer than 60 credits from the taught modules of the programme.