

Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences

Fakulteit Ekonomiese en Bestuurswetenskappe Lefapha la Disaense tša Ekonomi le Taolo

Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Investment Management







What does the programme entail?

The Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Investment Management programme focuses on the global investment environment and includes topics covering all facets of investment management.

The degree prepares you for career opportunities in the dynamic world of investments by offering access to money markets, fixed-income markets, equity markets, derivatives markets and portfolio management.



Structure of the programme

Core modules (compulsory)

Note: All first-year students take the compulsory fundamental modules on academic information management and academic literacy for EMS.

1st year	2nd year	Final year
 Financial accounting Economics Statistics Informatics Business management Commercial law Informatics (accounting software) 	Business accountingEconomicsInvestment managementStatistics	 Business accounting Economics* Investment management Financial management Mathematical statistics Statistics*

* One statistics module is compulsory for final-year students, who choose between Economics or one of the additional statistics modules as a third major.



Who are the ideal candidates?

The ideal candidate should have:

- Strong mathematical skills
- Diligence
- Analytical skills
- The ability to think independently
- Problem-solving skills
- An inquiring mind
- Integrity
- Attention to detail



What makes this programme unique?

The Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Investment Management degree at UP is an Affiliated Program with the CFA Institute®. Academic institutions that include a significant portion of the CFA Program Candidate Body of Knowledge (CBOK)—including the Code of Ethics and Standards of Professional Conduct—in their curricula may be eligible for participation in the University Affiliation Program.

An affiliated university signals to its students and to employers that the curriculum is closely aligned with the practice of investment management and is helpful to students preparing for the CFA® Program exams.

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Which companies employ our graduates?

Investment Management graduates are able to pursue professional qualifications such as:

- Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA)
- Chartered Alternative Investment Analyst (CAIA)
- Certificate in Investment Performance Measurement (CIPM)
- Certified Financial Planner (CFP)

They can be employed by asset management companies, investment banks, private equity firms and wealth management companies.





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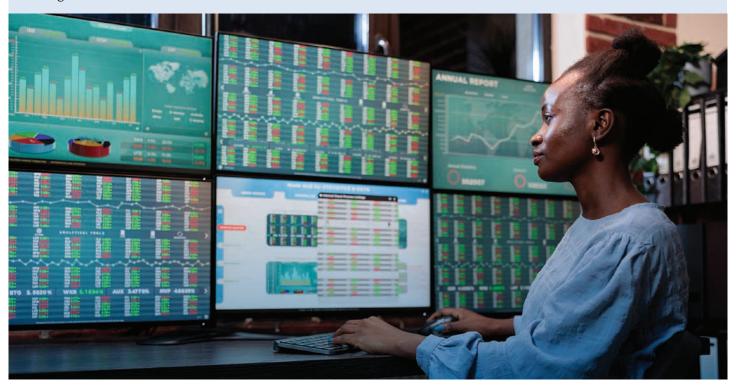


'Completing my undergraduate studies in investment management was a truly rewarding journey. The programme presented many challenges, but it was always engaging and insightful. The coursework was demanding and required significant effort and dedication. However, every moment of hard work was worth it.

The lecturers were exceptionally passionate, knowledgeable, and deeply invested in our success. Their expertise and enthusiasm for the subject matter made learning both enjoyable and impactful. They were always available to provide guidance and support, ensuring that we fully grasped the complex concepts and practical applications of investment management.

The degree aligns with real-world investment management practices. The curriculum was designed to closely mirror the demands and expectations of the industry, making it excellent preparation for those aiming to write the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) Programme exams. The skills and knowledge I gained through the degree have been instrumental in shaping my understanding of investment management, equipping me with a solid foundation for my future career.'

Aliya de Sousa – Bachelor of Commerce and Bachelor of Commerce Honours specialising in Investment Management



Minimum admission requirements

	Minimum requirements for NSC/IEB for 2026					
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Programmes	English Home Language or English First Additional Language	Mathematics	APS			
Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Investment Management [3 years]	5	6	34			

Careers: Portfolio/fund manager, investment analyst, risk manager/analyst, quantitative analyst, financial advisor/planner, wealth manager, investment strategist.

Note: Accounting at school is not a subject requirement for any of the Bachelor of Commerce and Bachelor of Administration programmes.



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Refer to the International undergraduate prospectus at www.up.ac.za/programmes > Undergraduate > Admission Information or <u>click here</u> for more information.

- The closing date for applications for programmes in this faculty is 30 June.
- Meeting the minimum admission requirements does not guarantee admission into a programme.

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Bachelor of Commerce in Accounting Sciences		C B	4 6	3 2	C B	E D	4 5	3 4	60-69% 70-79%	B B+
Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Investment Management	English Mathematics									
Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Econometrics										
Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Financial Management Sciences		C C	4 4	3	C C	E E	4 4	3 3	60-69% 60-69%	B B
Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Economics										
Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Law	English									
Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Statistics and Data Science	Mathematics									
Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Agribusiness Management										
Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Information Systems										
Bachelor of Commerce [3-year programme]		C D	4 3	3	C D	E E	4 2	3 2	60-69% 50-59%	B C+
Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Business Management										
Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Supply Chain Management	English Mathematics									
Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Marketing Management										
Bachelor of Commerce specialising in Human Resource Management										
Bachelor of Administration specialising in Public Administration	English Mathematics	C E	4 2	3 4	C E	E E	4 2	3 2	60-69% 40-49%	B C
Bachelor of Commerce [4-year programme]	English Mathematics	D E	3 2	3 4	D E	E E	2 2	2 2	60-69% 40-49%	C+ C