

CONSUMER FINANCE AND FINANCIAL PLANNING, BS

REQUIREMENTS

UNIVERSITY GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

All undergraduate students at the University of Wisconsin–Madison are required to fulfill a minimum set of common university general education requirements to ensure that every graduate acquires the essential core of an undergraduate education. This core establishes a foundation for living a productive life, being a citizen of the world, appreciating aesthetic values, and engaging in lifelong learning in a continually changing world. Various schools and colleges will have requirements in addition to the requirements listed below. Consult your advisor for assistance, as needed. For additional information, see the university Undergraduate General Education Requirements (<https://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/#requirementsforundergraduatetext>) section of the Guide.

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| General Education | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breadth–Humanities/Literature/Arts: 6 credits • Breadth–Natural Science: 4 to 6 credits, consisting of one 4- or 5-credit course with a laboratory component; or two courses providing a total of 6 credits • Breadth–Social Studies: 3 credits • Communication Part A & Part B * • Ethnic Studies * • Quantitative Reasoning Part A & Part B * |
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* The mortarboard symbol appears before the title of any course that fulfills one of the Communication Part A or Part B, Ethnic Studies, or Quantitative Reasoning Part A or Part B requirements.

SCHOOL OF HUMAN ECOLOGY REQUIREMENTS

Code	Title	Credits
<i>Math</i>		
MATH 112	College Algebra	3
	Or higher (not MATH 141) unless exempt through placement exam	
<i>Statistics</i>		
STAT 301	Introduction to Statistical Methods	3
<i>Arts and Humanities</i>		
	Literature	3
	Humanities	6
<i>Social Science</i>		
ECON 101	Principles of Microeconomics	4
ECON 102	Principles of Macroeconomics	3–4

Choose any designated Social Science breadth course to bring total credits to 9	3
<i>Physical, Biological, or Natural Science</i>	9
<i>Human Ecology Breadth</i>	3
Select one Human Ecology course from CSCS, DS, HDFS, or INTER-HE.	

Total Credits **37–38**

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CONSUMER FINANCE AND FINANCIAL PLANNING REQUIREMENTS

Core requirements for the major are below. Students should follow the curriculum requirements in place at the time they entered the major. This requirement list should be used in combination with a DARS report. All students declared in the Bachelor of Science in Consumer Finance and Financial Planning major must only take online courses.

Code	Title	Credits
Excel Proficiency		
Select one course from the following:		1–2

GEN BUS 106	Foundational Skills for Business Analysis
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A A E 335	Introduction to Data Analysis using Spreadsheets
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Personal Finance Core

CNSR SCI 201	Consumer Insights	3
CNSR SCI 275	Introduction to Personal Financial Planning	3
ACCT I S 300	Accounting Principles	3
or ACCT I S 100	Introductory Financial Accounting	
CNSR SCI 477	The Consumer and the Market	3
CNSR SCI 657	Consumer Behavior	3

Financial Planning Courses

CNSR SCI 627	Advanced Consumer Finance	3
CNSR SCI 635	Estate Planning for Financial Planners	3
CNSR SCI 675	Family Financial Counseling	3
CNSR SCI 665	Household Risk Management	3

Professional Development

CNSR SCI 251	Financial Services Leadership Symposium ¹	1
INTER-HE 202	SoHE Career & Leadership Development	1

Electives

Select electives to bring degree credit total to 120²

Total Credits **30–31**

¹ CNSR SCI 251 Financial Services Leadership Symposium may be repeated for up to 2 credits. The additional credit will be counted as an elective.

² ACCT IS 329 Taxation: Concepts for Business and Personal Planning is a recommended elective for students who want to be eligible to take the Certified Financial Planner (CFP) exam.

UNIVERSITY DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Total Degree To receive a bachelor's degree from UW–Madison, students must earn a minimum of 120 degree credits. The requirements for some programs may exceed 120 degree credits. Students should consult with their college or department advisor for information on specific credit requirements.

Residency Degree candidates are required to earn a minimum of 30 credits in residence at UW–Madison. "In residence" means on the UW–Madison campus with an undergraduate degree classification. "In residence" credit also includes UW–Madison courses offered in distance or online formats and credits earned in UW–Madison Study Abroad/Study Away programs.

Quality of Work Undergraduate students must maintain the minimum grade point average specified by the school, college, or academic program to remain in good academic standing. Students whose academic performance drops below these minimum thresholds will be placed on academic probation.