

FINANCE (FIN)

FIN 51 **1.5 UNITS**
Retirement Planning And Investing
 Class Hours: 1.5 Lecture
 Total Contact Hours: 27 Lecture

This course introduces methods of computing amounts to be saved and invested in order to fund retirement. The course also discusses various retirement plans available. Additionally, students will learn techniques to research and evaluate mutual fund investment opportunities. (Formerly BUSF 51)

FIN 52 **1.5 UNITS**
Business Mathematics for Accounting Applications
 Class Hours: 1.5 Lecture
 Total Contact Hours: 27 Lecture

This course is designed to teach students basic mathematical calculations used in business, finance, and accounting and introduces them to the IBM compatible computer and standard spreadsheet software. Topics covered include fractions and percentages, sales and purchasing cycles, sales tax, markups and markdowns, simple and compound interest, and finance charges. (Formerly BUSF 52)

FIN 125 **3.0 UNITS**
Personal Finance
 Class Hours: 3.0 Lecture
 Total Contact Hours: 54 Lecture

This course is designed to empower individuals with various tools to manage their money and make sound lifelong financial decisions. Students will understand the social and psychological issues related to money and learn established measurement techniques to analyze, plan, and manage their financial lives. Topics include financial planning, income and expense management, investment analysis, retirement planning, consumerism, insurance, estate planning, home ownership, and credit management. This course is not open to students who are enrolled in or who have received credit in FIN 125M.
 Transfer Credit: CSU

FIN 125M **3.0 UNITS**
Personal Finance
 Class Hours: 3.0 Lecture
 Total Contact Hours: 54 Lecture

Prerequisite: Courses taught at the level of Elementary Algebra with a grade of "C" or higher or "Pass" or equivalent or appropriate placement based on the college's multiple measures process. This course is designed to empower individuals with various tools to manage their money and make sound lifelong financial decisions. Topics include financial planning, income and expense management, investment analysis, retirement planning, consumerism, insurance, estate planning, home ownership and credit management. This course uses financial, tax, and mathematical calculations. Students will take a hands-on approach to such learning and skill development with problem-solving assignments and projects that require them to explain information presented in tax forms and financial statements. They will also obtain the knowledge and skills required to convert financial information into portrayals that contribute to an understanding of present and future personal and family financial needs. Students will also be provided with opportunities to analyze and synthesize on documents and reports. They will develop the logical reasoning skills needed by informed and productive citizens. Moreover, instructors will (a) provide student-centered activity-based instruction, (b) emphasize the conceptual understanding and skills of mathematics and quantitative reasoning, and (c) facilitate the development of competence and confidence in problem-solving abilities. This course can be taken in either a traditional or an on-line learning environment. This course is not open to students who are enrolled in or who have received credit in FIN 125.
 Transfer Credit: CSU

FIN 126 **3.0 UNITS**
Introduction To Stock Market And Investments
 Class Hours: 3.0 Lecture
 Total Contact Hours: 54 Lecture

This course will cover the following subject areas: how to invest in the stock market; the various kinds of stocks, bonds, warrants, and rights; investment objectives; investment systems; the Broker's part in investment; stock exchanges; how stocks are traded and reported in the newspaper; investment vocabulary, mutual funds, and investment companies. (Formerly BUSF 126)
 Transfer Credit: CSU