INFORMATION SCIENCES AND TECHNOLOGY/FINANCE, MINOR

Requirements for a minor may be completed at any campus location offering the specified courses for the minor. Students may not change from a campus that offers their major to a campus that does not offer their major for the purpose of completing a minor.

Program Description
The Information Sciences and Technology/Finance Minor is to enhance skills of students in the information sciences and finance. More organizations are integrating technology as part of their business operations, including finance. Finance is a key function of every business organization. Therefore, technology professionals with finance skills, and finance professionals with technology skills are highly valuable in any organization.

What is Information Sciences and Technology/Finance?
Information Sciences and Technology/Finance is the area of study concerned with the design, implementation, testing and evolution of complex software systems, especially those related to a business’ financial operations.

You Might Like This Program If...
- You enjoy numbers and "real world" applications of math.
- You are interested in technology and how businesses and banks use it to manage their assets.
- You want a career in technology as it relates to business or finance.

Entrance to Minor
Students must apply for entrance to the minor no later than the beginning of their seventh semester.

Program Requirements

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Requirements for the Minor
A grade of C or better is required for all courses in the minor, as specified by Senate Policy 59-10 ([https://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/59-00-minors-and-certificates/#59-10](https://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/59-00-minors-and-certificates/#59-10)). In addition, at least six credits of the minor must be unique from the prescribed courses required by a student's major(s).

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Additional Courses
Select 3 credits of FIN at the 400-level in consultation with an adviser

Academic Advising
The objectives of the university's academic advising program are to help advisees identify and achieve their academic goals, to promote their intellectual discovery, and to encourage students to take advantage of both in-and out-of class educational opportunities in order that they become self-directed learners and decision makers.

Both advisers and advisees share responsibility for making the advising relationship succeed. By encouraging their advisees to become engaged in their education, to meet their educational goals, and to develop the habit of learning, advisers assume a significant educational role. The advisee's unit of enrollment will provide each advisee with a primary academic adviser, the information needed to plan the chosen program of study, and referrals to other specialized resources.

READ SENATE POLICY 32-00: ADVISING POLICY ([https://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/32-00-advising-policy/](https://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/32-00-advising-policy/))

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