

Master of Science in Wealth Management (MSWM)

Degree Overview

The two-semester Master of Science in Wealth Management (MSWM) program emphasizes asset allocation and investment selection to construct investment portfolios for individuals, institutions, and businesses. This program equips students for careers in asset and wealth management, endowment management, equity research, fixed income, derivatives, hedge funds, mutual funds, and pension funds.

The MSWM degree requires the completion of 30 credits, including 18 required credits and 12 elective credits.

Orientation Programs

All Specialized Master's Programs students kick off their degrees with a multipronged orientation program designed to prepare them for academic, personal and professional success.

Students will participate in various online and in-person orientation activities prior to beginning their fall semester at Olin. *SMP Start* is a set of online modules that introduce students to the ins and outs of Washington University including policies and procedures, health and wellness, leadership opportunities, and more. *SMP Orientation Week* includes workshops, events, and cohort overviews including introductions to faculty and advisors. This week is set up to help students with their final preparations before the start of their first semester. Orientation includes career sessions, which serve as catalysts for students to help them get started in their career search. These programs are packed with opportunities for students to bond with their program cohort and to connect with their peers in all of the Specialized Master's Programs.

Students new to the United States may have the opportunity to participate in *SMP GO*, during which they will acclimate to the Olin Business School culture and strengthen their English and business communication skills.

Simultaneously, students will complete optional online, asynchronous foundation courses to bolster their background and maximize their academic preparation before the start of their degree program.

Curriculum

Required Courses

Students must complete the following courses:

Code	Title	Units
ACCT 5030	Business Analysis Using Financial Statements	1.5
FIN 5240	Options and Futures	1.5
FIN 5250	Fixed Income Securities	1.5
FIN 5270	Financial Markets and Institutions	1.5
FIN 5280	Investments Praxis	3
FIN 5320	Investment Theory	1.5
FIN 5340	Advanced Corporate Finance I - Valuation	1.5
FIN 5501	Legal, Compliance and Taxation Aspects of Wealth Management	1.5
FIN 5502	Wealth Management - Practice	1.5
FIN 5505	Behavioral Finance	1.5
FIN 5115	Wealth Management Tools and Ethics	1.5

Elective Courses

Students must choose four or more of the following elective courses:

Code	Title	Units
FIN 5023	Venture Capital Methods	1.5
FIN 5025	Private Equity - Methods	1.5
FIN 5315	ESG Investing	1.5
FIN 5331	Financial Technology for Managers: Oversight, Cybersecurity and Regulation	1.5
FIN 5400	Real Estate Finance	1.5
FIN 5503	Endowments, Foundations and Philanthropy	1.5
FIN 5504	Hedge Fund Strategies	1.5

Other Electives

MSWM students must complete 12 total credits of electives. In addition to elective courses listed above, additional approved elective courses are listed here:

Code	Title	Units
ACCT 5031	Advanced Business Analysis Using Financial Statements	1.5
ACCT 5670	Taxation of Individuals	3
FIN 5024	Venture Capital Practice	1.5
FIN 5026	Private Equity - Practice	1.5
FIN 5232	Mergers & Acquisitions	1.5
FIN 5241	Derivative Securities	1.5
FIN 5300	International Finance	1.5
FIN 5341	Advanced Corporate Finance II - Financing	1.5
FIN 5550	Risk Management and Insurance	1.5



FIN 5575	Introduction to Blockchain and Cryptocurrencies	1.5
MGT 5600	Professional Business Communication	1.5
MKT 5760	Understanding and Influencing Consumer Behavior	1.5