



THE UNIVERSITY  
OF THE  
WEST INDIES

**Masters Programme**  
**Faculty of Social Sciences**



*Department of Economics*

## **MSc. Financial and Business Economics**

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**Internship Opportunities Available for Outstanding Students**

**2017-2018**

# MSc. FINANCIAL & BUSINESS ECONOMICS

The MSc. Financial and Business Economics programme is designed to produce economists who can function effectively in both the public and private sectors. The programme is a blend of economic theory and financial and business issues. The Department also considers this degree as an opportunity to provide students with the incentive to further their studies at the PhD level. Full-time students in the programme can benefit from a paid internship at a regional central bank or research institution.

## Objectives

The MSc. degree in Financial and Business Economics is designed to:

- Develop the critical thinking and analytical skills of students entering the programme;
- Provide the Caribbean with a cadre of individuals with excellent core competencies in economics as well as knowledge of specialised areas of finance and business;
- Enhance the economic and business skills of economists in the Caribbean;
- Challenge students to develop and conceptualise topics that expand the frontiers of finance and business, and
- Ensure that students leaving the programme can provide relevant technical as well as practical advice to employers.

## Entry Requirements

To be admitted to the program, a candidate must possess a Bachelor's degree or equivalent with at least Second Class Honours in Economics or related subject. Students are expected to possess a good working knowledge of economics, reflected by taking intermediate university-level courses in Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, Statistics and Mathematical Economics. Students that are adjudged to have an insufficient background in economics may still qualify for entry into the programme, but will be required to pursue a preliminary year of study before any postgraduate-level economics courses are pursued.

Non-degreed candidates, or candidates with Pass degrees who have other relevant qualifications and substantial experience, will be considered for entry on a case by case basis.

## Duration

The programme can be completed full-time in 12 months or part-time in 24 months. Classes run from September to May with the period of April to August devoted to the writing up of the Research Paper. All part-time students are expected to complete within 4 years.



## Programme Structure / Course of Study

Students are required to gain 45 credits through successful completion of 11 compulsory and 1 approved elective courses (3 credits ), as well as a Research Paper (9 credits).

### LIST OF COURSES

#### Compulsory

- Accounting for Managerial Decision Making
- Corporate Finance
- Mathematical Methods
- Microeconomic Theory
- Macroeconomic Theory
- Econometric Methods
- International Business Economics
- Financial Economics
- Financial Markets & Institutions
- CARICOM & CARICOM Single Market & Economy
- Research Methods for Business & Social Sciences
- Research Paper ( 9 credits)

**Students can select 1 elective from across the Faculty.**

**Students must get approval from their Programme Coordinator before finalising elective choices.**

### Cost

This is a UGC-funded programme. Please review the UGC-Programmes Financial Handbook on our website which gives the rates applicable for the relevant academic year.

**Programme Fee and University Registration fees are subject to change.**

University fees are additional to the programme fees and are billed every semester until the degree has been awarded.

# CONTACT INFORMATION FOR MSc. Financial and Business Economics

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### FACULTY OF HUMANITIES & EDUCATION

MA Caribbean Studies:

Languages / Literatures

MA Creative Arts

PG Dip / MA Cultural Studies

MA History

MA Heritage Studies

MA Linguistics

PG Diploma in Education (*Secondary*)

Master in Education (MEd)

*specialisations (Curriculum Studies; Educational Leadership; Inclusive Practices for Special Needs Students; Language & Literacy Education; School Counselling; Science and Technology Education; Social Context and Education Policy; Testing, Measurement and Evaluation; and The Psychology of Education)*

### FACULTY OF LAW

LLM / PG Diploma Law

*(with specialisations in Corporate & Commercial Law, Public Law, Intellectual Property Law, General)*

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DM Anaesthesia and  
Intensive Care

DM Emergency Medicine

PG Dip / MSc., DM

Family Medicine

DM General Surgery (Parts I and II)

DM Internal Medicine

DM Obstetrics and Gynaecology

DM Ophthalmology

DM Orthopedics (Part II)

DM Paediatrics

DM Psychiatry

Master in Public Health

### FACULTY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

PG Dip / MSc. Biosafety

PG Dip / MSc. Computing  
Innovation

MSc. Computing Research

MSc. Natural Resource and  
Environmental Management

PG Dip / MSc. Technology

Entrepreneurship

MSc. Renewable Energy  
Management

### FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

Master of Social Work

MSc. Applied Psychology

MSc. Banking & Finance

MSc. Building & Construction  
Management

MSc. Business Analytics

*(with optional specialisations in Finance  
or Marketing)*

MSc. Counselling Psychology

MSc. E-Governance for  
Developing States

MSc. Financial & Business  
Economics

MSc. Financial Management

MSc. Human Resources  
Management

MSc. Integration Studies

MSc. International Management

MSc. International Trade Policy

MSc. Investments

& Wealth Management

MSc. Labour &

Employment Relations

MSc. Logistics and Supply

Chain Management

MSc. Marketing

MSc. Project Management  
& Evaluation

MSc. Sociology

MSc. / PG Dip. Sport Sciences

MSc. Tourism & Events  
Management

MSc. Tourism & Hospitality  
Management

MSc. Tourism & Sport

Management

MSc. Tourism with Project  
Management

MSc. Tourism Marketing

MSc. Transport Economics

### THE INSTITUTE FOR GENDER AND DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

PG Dip / MSc. Gender and  
Development Studies

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Doctor of Business  
Administration

Executive Master in  
Business Administration (*offered  
in three specialisations: – General  
Management, Public Sector Management  
and Human Resource Management*)

Masters in Business Administration  
(Entrepreneurship)

International Master in  
Business Administration

Masters in Entrepreneurship  
and Innovation



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[www.cavehill.uwi.edu/gradstudies](http://www.cavehill.uwi.edu/gradstudies)