The MBS (Economics and Finance Stream) is a challenging one-year taught programme aimed at preparing business graduates for a career in finance or in economics. Known for its pace and rigour, this programme provides in-depth knowledge of the theoretical underpinnings of financial markets along with the relevant technical and analytical skills to apply in a ‘real-world’ environment. It also benefits from the research and workshops organized by the AIB Centre for Finance and Business Research (www.cfbr.ie).
Master of Business (Economics and Finance Stream)

Programme Outline

The Master of Business (Economics and Finance Stream) is an intensive programme which is designed to provide graduates with the opportunity to enhance their specialist subject knowledge in Economics and Finance, experience innovative learning methods, explore opportunities arising from innovation and business development and acquire competencies to undertake both standard and specialised research. Emphasis is placed on developing skills of critical thinking, analysis, debate, dealing with high levels of ambiguity and the simultaneous treatment of inter dependent decisions in a more complex environment. In summary, this facilitates in developing new mindsets and attitudes to prepare for the demands of the business environment. This programme is unique in that it is cross disciplinary in nature which compels the sharing of views and opinions from different perspectives. A range of innovative learning methods are used which together with the week-long International Study Tour to Belgium provides an exciting and stimulating learning experience.

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Graduate Seminar Series – Learning from our Business Leaders

Open to all postgraduate students in the School of Business, our graduate seminar series is designed to facilitate an in-depth understanding of contemporary aspects of business, management and strategy and their application in practice. On a weekly basis, students have the opportunity to exchange concepts and ideas with real-world practitioners in leading Irish enterprises. The series seeks to include a broad range of speakers, but retains a focus on the core themes of leadership and people, entrepreneurship, strategy, management, finance, governance and marketing.

Student Testimonial

“The MBS (Economics and Finance Stream) is an excellent programme that strikes the right balance in terms of theoretical knowledge and practical application in the real business environment. The course provides a multitude of opportunities to students including presentations by leading academic writers and business leaders and international study. The dissertation process is challenging but ultimately very rewarding as I got a deep understanding of M&As and became an expert on my topic to some small degree. The knowledge and skills developed during my five years at WIT, undertaking the BBS and MBS programmes have helped me secure an analyst job on the graduate programme in J.P. Morgan. The small class numbers and access to helpful members of staff that are experts in their field give Waterford I.T. the edge.” Joanna Roche – MBS (Economics and Finance Stream).

Careers opportunities

This programme has enabled our graduates to progress their careers both nationally and internationally primarily in the financial services sector but also in consulting and in academia. These include Barclays Capital (London), Accenture (London), UBS (London), Ulster Bank, State Street International, JP Morgan, Allied Irish Bank and Zurich Insurance Company. A graduate may also apply for further post graduate Level 10 studies, such as a PhD by Research in WIT or to other third level institutions, either nationally or internationally.

Entry Details

If you have a degree in finance or economics or a general business degree with a finance and economics major/specialisation and you would like to pursue a career in finance or in economics, then this programme has been designed with you in mind. Applicants who do not possess a standard qualifying honours degree but that have the relevant managerial experience may be considered for admission to the programme, subject to an interview. Applicants whose primary language is not English must submit evidence of competency in English. Please see our website for more details.

Fees

For information on fees please visit our website at www.wit.ie/pgfees

Applications

Applications for this programme are made online by going to www.pac.ie (code WD507)

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