

# Study with us

## About your course

### Courses covered

Code	Title
BSFIB	MSc Finance and Investment Banking (Sandwich)

You can find full details of your course in the ***Programme Specification***.

### Important points

The programme is offered full-time over 2 years, for September (Semester A) starters only, and leads to the award of an MSc Finance and Investment Banking (Sandwich). It equips students with essential knowledge and skills sought by employers for a successful career in finance and investment banking roles, including equity valuation, fixed income valuation, portfolio management, understanding of economic fundamentals, quantitative research, financial statements analysis. Specific careers that may be appropriate include a range of investment banking roles (e.g. financial analyst, investment manager, securities' analyst and portfolio manager) as well as roles within financial departments of corporations/organisations (e.g. treasury, financial control, risk analysis etc.). The programme offers a sound platform and preparation for doctoral research in the areas of accounting, finance and economics. It echoes the Chartered Financial Analyst Institute® (CFAI®) examinations, level one and level two, providing students with a solid foundation to sit that body's examinations on completion.

The two-year full-time programme 'MSc Finance and Investment Banking (Sandwich)', is offered with a minimum 30-week PG Placement in the second year, providing students with a strong, practical business experience in their sectors, and setting their academic studies in a broader context. Students must normally have achieved a pass mark in the first attempt of Semester A modules to proceed onto the placement. For students with visa restrictions, the placement would need to take place within the UK. It is the responsibility of the student to identify and apply for their placements, and they are supported in this by the UH Careers and Employment Service, and the School's 'Preparation for Work' module. Students on the 'Sandwich' award who do not go on placement transfer into the two-year, full-time 'with Advanced Research' award route, which provides additional learning in the areas of business research, professional and consultancy skills.

### Academic Year

#### ***Academic Year 2023 – 2024***

The University's academic year is made up of 3 Semesters (A, B and C). Semester A and B are made up of teaching weeks followed by exams, where applicable (the re-sit period falls within Semester C). Semester C is normally used for final dissertations and projects.

- *Semester A runs from Monday 25 September 2023 to Friday 19 January 2024*
- *Semester B runs from Monday 22 January 2024 to Friday 10 May 2024*
- *Semester C runs from Monday 13 May 2024 to Friday 6 September 2024*

## Additional expenses

Description	Year	Mandatory/ Optional	Estimated cost
<b>Books</b> Postgraduate study requires extensive reading and access to reference works. Learning Resources Centre, however availability may be limited so students may wish to purchase their own copies. The average price of a recommended text is estimated at £50, although you may be able to buy second-hand copies.	1	Optional	£100