



Course Information Form

This Course Information Form provides the definitive record of the designated course

Section A: General Course Information

Course Title	Master of Business Administration (Finance)
Final Award	MBA
Route Code	MBFINIBF
Intermediate Qualification(s)	PGCert Business Administration PGDip Business Administration (Finance)
FHEQ Level	7
Location of Delivery	School of Higher Education Ltd, Trinidad
Mode(s) and length of study	12 months FT block delivery
Standard intake points (months)	Block delivery (6 intakes per year) October, November, February, April, June, August
External Reference Points as applicable including Subject Benchmark	QAA UK Quality Code for Higher Education Part A May 2023 QAA Subject Benchmark Statement, Master's Degrees in Business and Management, March 2023 QAA Characteristics Statement for Master's Degrees 2020
Professional, Statutory or Regulatory Body (PSRB) accreditation or endorsement	
HECoS code(s)	100078
UCAS Course Code	

Course Aims**Why study this course**

Studying this course means that you will have access to core MBA disciplines with innovative subject areas backed by the latest research in strategic management and leadership. You will develop practical and theoretical skills to advance your business competence and confidence and master the challenges of the competitive and ever-changing business world.

Educational Aims

The MBA (Finance) is a top qualification designed to meet the requirements and aspirations of early career students through the infusion of a general management education with the specialist field of Finance. It is designed for those who aspire to achieve integrated leadership and management skills with a particular interest in Finance and for those seeking to enhance their skills and engage in fast-track career progression opportunities.

The course includes two specialist units, corporate financial strategy and economics in action. It focuses on strategic finance and decision making and the way differing financial strategies are deployed within a global context while taking into account the global political economy and contemporary global challenges to find solutions by forming relevant policies in order to advice policy and decision makers.

The course implements applied business curriculum enhanced by practical models that aim to help you develop an advanced knowledge of organisations and their effective management in the macro and micro business contexts, and the ability to creatively apply this analytical knowledge to the real-world, rapidly changing business environment in order to help you develop and practice your business strategies and management skills.

Throughout this innovative and challenging learning opportunity that encourages the integration of theory and practice, you will be supported by highly qualified academics with substantial management experience. You will work with academics and professors of practice on live consultancy projects with leading employers across a wide range of organisations in the private, public and notfor-

profit sectors to enable you apply your analytical and interpersonal skills effectively and professionally as a creative and innovative leader well-equipped to face the challenges in the world of business.

By the end of this course, you will be empowered with the attributes and skills expected of post-graduates, as recognised by professional and industry bodies such as the Chartered Management Institute and the Confederation of British Industry, including team-work, analytical and interpersonal skills, strategic thinking, leadership skills, confidence and the ability to apply critical and creative thinking to develop innovative solutions to business problems.

This degree will enhance your professional prospects and help you navigate your next steps in your career. On successful completion of the MBA (Finance), you will be part of our alumni community and join a network of professionals who have the potential to have a real impact on the transforming of the organisations they join.

Course Learning Outcomes	Upon successful completion of your course you should meet the appropriate learning outcomes for your award shown in the table below		
		Outcome	Award
	1	Acquire a critical appreciation of connections across diverse business functions and stakeholder groups and demonstrate the ability to apply effective enterprise management principles	MBA, PGDip, PGCert
	2	Demonstrate an in-depth understanding of ethics, sustainability, and diversity through the application of responsible leadership within organisations.	MBA, PGDip, PGCert
	3	Evaluate market dynamics and customer behaviour to support the generation of actionable insights in the global context.	MBA, PGDip
	4	Demonstrate practical skills that support the application of financial and risk management principles.	MBA, PGDip
	5	Identify and analyse appropriate data to support ethically sound strategic and operational management decision-making.	MBA, PGDip
	6	Apply critical analysis to strategic finance and decision-making within a global context, evaluating diverse financial strategies through real-world examples.	MBA, PGDip
	7	Develop a comprehensive understanding of global political economy by critically analysing contemporary challenges, applying economic theories, and advising policymakers.	MBA, PGDip
	8	Develop comprehensive knowledge of the contemporary global business environment and critically analyse its influence on organisational strategy and innovation.	MBA, PGDip
	9	Develop proficiency in appropriate research methods and techniques as demonstrated by the ability to gather and analyse data, evaluate its relevance and validity, and synthesise a wide range of information	MBA

Teaching, learning and assessment strategies

The MBA adopts a dynamic teaching methodology, incorporating block teaching and guided learning techniques. Embracing innovative approaches such as flipped classrooms, the MBA curriculum is tailored to nurture early career leaders and managers into global citizens. The teaching philosophy prioritises internationalisation, responsible leadership, digital literacy, data-driven decision-making, and employability skills.

The teaching team comprises seasoned academics with specialist research backgrounds and practitioners with extensive industry experience. Students are regarded as partners in the learning journey, fostering a collaborative environment that aligns with professional aspirations.

The learning experience is structured to cultivate independent and self-directed lifelong learners. Through a blend of individual, peer, and group assessments, students develop a comprehensive understanding of their personal capabilities and the evolving business landscape. The curriculum emphasises practice-led learning, empowering students to apply theoretical knowledge in real-world scenarios.

The MBA utilises a block teaching model, with each unit designed to enhance specific employability and research skills. Significant direct contact time is supplemented with individual study and preparation opportunities, fostering a holistic approach to learning.

All MBA Assessments are grounded in real-world dynamic global context scenarios that support the fusion of theory and practice in authentic work contexts. All assessments are designed to support key takeaways for your employability.

To cater to diverse learning styles, the course employs a variety of group and individual assessment methods, including:

- Business Reports to showcase your contextual insight and professional acumen.
- Project Plans to highlight your project planning skills.
- Presentations to support your creativity and communication skills
- Project and Consultancy Reports are designed to foster critical analysis and integrate the knowledge gained throughout the course and apply it independently in practical situations.
- EPortfolios are designed for you to showcase your progress and skills
- Business simulations, allowing you to demonstrate the ramifications of your strategic decision-making.

In addition to our rigorous academic curriculum, our course offers diverse extra-curricular activities such as guest speaker sessions, entrepreneurship events, exhibition visits, conferences, and participation in the Business School's Business Showcase event. These activities provide students with invaluable industry insights, opportunities for innovation, exposure to trends, and a platform to showcase their work. Together, they enrich students' learning experiences and prepare them for success in the business world.

Learning support	<p>The local course team at SHEL will be your first contact point while studying. Students are supported through a comprehensive welcome process the week before your first teaching session starts. During this week, you will be supported in good academic practice, formative assessment, personal, career and employability advice, and professional development delivered at the SHEL. Additionally, students enrolled on the MBA are supported in several other support channels as below:</p> <p>As a student from SHEL, you will interact with the University of Bedfordshire via SID online; the online Student Information Desk (SID) https://www.beds.ac.uk/studentlife/student-support/sid provides a range of support services and an interface to the University Student Engagement and Mitigation Team for extenuating circumstances</p> <p>http://www.beds.ac.uk/studentlife/studentsupport/academic/extenuating</p> <p>Study Hub provides advice and guidance on developing academic skills http://lrweb.beds.ac.uk/studyhub</p> <p>BREO: Bedfordshire Resources for Education Online (BREO) includes the University's virtual learning environment (Blackboard) and a range of other technologies. Through BREO, you will have access to a range of materials and resources to help and support you in each of the units you study, and it is essential that you access BREO regularly to find out about any changes</p>
Admissions Criteria	<p>https://www.beds.ac.uk/entryrequirements</p> <p>Approved Variations and Additions to Standard Admission</p> <p>https://www.beds.ac.uk/entryrequirements</p>
Assessment Regulations	<p>https://www.beds.ac.uk/about-us/our-university/academic-information</p> <p>Note: Be aware that our regulations change every year</p> <p>Approved Variations and Additions to Standard Assessment Regulations'</p> <p>https://www.beds.ac.uk/about-us/our-university/academic-information</p> <p>Please note that students who exit the award before completing 120 credits will receive the following exit award: PGCert Business Administration.</p> <p>Note: Be aware that our regulations change every year</p>

Section B: Course Structure

The Units which make up the course are listed below. Each unit contributes to the achievement of the course learning outcomes either through teaching (T), general development of skills and knowledge (D) or in your assessments (A).

Unit	Unit Name	Level	Credits	Core or Option	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
MBA001-6	Responsible Leadership and Sustainable Management	7	30	Core	TD A	TD A	TD	TD	TD			TD							
MBA004-6	Strategy: Analysis and Practice	7	30	Core	TD A	TD	TD A	TD A	TD A			TD A							
MBA005-6	MBA Applied Project	7	60	Core	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	TD A						
MBA008-6	Economics in Action: From Market Foundations to Global Challenges	7	30	Core	TD A	TD A	TD	TD	TD	TD A	TD A	D	D						
MBA009-6	Corporate Financial Strategy	7	30	Core	TD A	TD A		TD A	TD	TD A	TD A	D	D						

Section C: Assessment Plan

The course is assessed as follows :

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Unit Code	Level	Period	Core/Option	Ass 1 Type code	Ass 1 Submit wk	Ass 2 Type code	Ass 2 Submit wk	Ass 3 Type code	Ass 3 Submit wk	Ass 4 Type code	Ass 4 Submit wk
MBA005-6	7	14 WEEKS	Core	PR-OT	3	WR-WB	13	PR-ORAL	14		
MBA001-6	7	7 WEEKS	Core	WR-BUS	3	PR-ORAL	7				
MBA004-6	7	7 WEEKS	Core	CW-RW	3	WR-I	7				
MBA008-6	7	7 WEEKS	Core	WR-I	3	PR-OR	7				
MBA009-6	7	7 WEEKS		CW-LR	3	CW-CS	7				

Glossary of Terms for Assessment Type Codes	
CW-CS	Coursework - Case Study
CW-LR	Coursework - Literature Review
CW-RW	Coursework - Reflective Writing
PR-OR	Practical - Oral Presentation
PR-OT	Practical - Other Skills Assessment
WR-BUS	Coursework - Business Report

WR-I	Coursework - Individual Report
WR-WB	Coursework - Worked Based Report

Administrative Information	
Faculty	University of Bedfordshire Business School
School	Graduate School of Business
Head of School/Department	Dr. Alexander Kofinas