COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Department of Finance

Course revision 2020-21 Undergraduate Catalog [LINK] CHHS19.20.11.01

FINA 340 - Investments
Emphasis on risks, returns, and the investment process; alternative investment instruments; investment environments; introduction to analysis and valuation techniques; and introduction to portfolio management.

Prerequisites & Notes
PRQ: A grade of C or better in each of the following courses: ACCY 306 and FINA 320 (for Finance majors), or consent of department.

Per email with Gina Nicolosi and Connie Weaver at the request of the BC the language was changed to: Open to non-majors by consent of department.

Credits: 3

Rationale: FINA 340 is a required course in the Certificate of Undergraduate Study in Financial Planning. The certificate is not exclusively limited to finance majors. A different PRQ for Finance and non-Finance majors will accommodate and encourage non-finance majors to pursue the certificate.

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Curriculum and Instruction

Course Revision: 2019-2020 Undergraduate Catalog [LINK] CEDU19.20.14.02

LTRE 305 TEACHING READING IN THE MIDDLE SCHOOLS
Application of evaluation and teaching strategies for the development of reading in middle school students. Young adult literature and teaching materials for middle school reading programs.

Prerequisites & Notes
PRQ: GPA of at least 2.75.
Credits: 3

RATIONALE:
The PRQ in current catalog of 2.75 was developed for course inclusion when the B.S. Ed in Elementary Education degree was for K-9, Type 03 certification in Illinois. The Elementary Education program required a 2.75 GPA.

LTRE 305 is now required for the B.S. Ed in Middle Level Teaching and Learning (MLTL) program which currently requires a GPA of at least 2.5.

COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SCIENCES

School of Family and Consumer Sciences

Deletion Online Catalog [LINK], 2019-20 Undergraduate Catalog [CHHS19.20.11.02]

**FSMD 256 - Cooperative Education I for Fashion Merchandising**

Cooperative work experience for students in fashion merchandising. Participation and work site must be approved by the school and the cooperative education program coordinator. S/U grading.

**Prerequisites & Notes**
PRQ: Declared fashion merchandising major.

Credits: 1-3

**RATIONALE:**
This course is no longer offered. Students either enroll in Cooperative Education in Fashion Merchandising (FSMD 356) for 3 credit hours or Fashion Merchandising Internship (FSMD 474) for 7 credit hours to meet program requirements for graduation.

Other Catalog Change Online Catalog [LINK], 2019-20 Undergraduate Catalog [CHHS19.20.11.03]

**Policy on Dismissal**

University policy requires that students be informed of the possibility of being dismissed from practicums, internships, and early field experiences. In the School of Family and Consumer Sciences, such a possibility exists in FSMD 256, FSMD 356, FSMD 474, HDFS 293, HDFS 294, HDFS 393, HDFS 394, HDFS 398, HDFS 491, HDFS 490, HDFS 493, HOSP 296, HOSP 495, HOSP 396. A statement of grounds for dismissal is available from the coordinator of each internship.
RATIONALE:
The changes here reflect the course deletion submitted to CHHS CCC Meeting #11.

FSMD 356 - Cooperative Education II for Fashion Merchandising

Supervised and coordinated advanced cooperative work experience at an approved fashion-related place of business or organization, for students in fashion merchandising. Participation and work site must be approved by the school and the cooperative education program coordinator. Enrollment is restricted to students participating in a second course experience or equivalent. S/U grading.

Prerequisites & Notes
PRQ: FSMD 347, an overall GPA of 2.00 or above, and declared fashion merchandising major, and consent of school.

Credits: 3

RATIONALE:
With the deletion of FSMD 256, the “II” in the course title is no longer appropriate. Changes to the description improve clarity and remove excess or irrelevant wording. Now included in the prerequisite list is consent of school.

Other Catalog Change

FSMD 458 - Omni-Channel Fashion Retailing
In-depth examination of multiple channels of fashion retailing comparing traditional brick-and-mortar stores, e-tailing commerce, and social media. Emphasis on the enhancement of consumers' online shopping experiences and the engagement of consumers in an online retail environment.

**Prerequisites & Notes**
PRQ: FSMD 152 with a C or better and FSMD 258 with a C or better, FSMD 272.

Credits: 3

RATIONALE:
FSMD 272 introduces students to the technology that they will use in FSMD 458. In addition, students learn about elements and principles of design, which will also be applied in FSMD 458 in designing websites for an e-commerce business.

Change term from e-tailing to e-commerce because term is more current.

**FSMD 474 - Fashion Merchandising Internship**

Off-campus supervised and coordinated training work experience at an approved fashion-related place of business or organization. Assumes prior entry-level work experience in the fashion industry. Requires a more formalized set of learning experiences compared to FSMD 356, program in a cooperating industry/retailing establishment. Approved application for an internship are due March 15 prior to the summer session. is required.

**Prerequisites & Notes**
PRQ: FACS GPA of 3.00 or above, FSMD 347, FSMD major, and at least a junior standing, and consent of school.

Credits: 7

RATIONALE:
The new description provides a clearer description of an internship. The requirement to be a declared fashion merchandising major is now included in the prerequisites along with the need for an approved application.
Special Requirements

Students must earn a grade of C or better in FSMD 152 and FSMD 258 before they can enroll in any FSMD course requiring either FSMD 152 or FSMD 258 as a prerequisite or in any fashion merchandising elective or 400-level course.

The application for admission to FSMD 474 is due the Friday of the third week of March prior to summer session enrollment.

Attendance at the course orientation meeting the semester prior to enrollment is required for FSMD 356 and FSMD 474.

RATIONALE:
This statement 1) clarifies when the application for FSMD 474 is due, and 2) that students must attend the course orientation meeting the semester prior to enrollment in FSMD 356 or FSMD 474.

School of Health Studies

Revision Online Catalog LINK, 2019-20 Undergraduate Catalog CHHS19.20.11.09

AHLS 211 - Introduction to the Medical Laboratory Sciences

Introduction to the profession of medical laboratory sciences and to the medical laboratory scientist’s role in the delivery of health care. Introduction to the major work components performed in the clinical laboratory. To be taken by all pre-professional students or majors for 3 semester hours.

Prerequisites & Notes: Students will need to show proof of completion of a 3-dose series of Hepatitis B immunization by the first day of the course.

Credits: 3

RATIONALE:
Clarifying course requirements so students are prepared to provide the necessary documentation when the course begins. If students are unable to provide the documentation when the course begins, they must miss lab sessions until they have provided the required documentation.
Medical Laboratory Sciences (B.S.)

General Information

Admission to the major in medical laboratory sciences is limited. See “Limited Admissions and Limited Retention Requirements” in the front part of this catalog.

The medical laboratory sciences program is accredited by the National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences. To become certified as a medical laboratory scientist (MLS), the graduate of the program must complete an examination for professional competence by the Board of Certification. Completion of the examination, however, is not a prerequisite for the B.S. degree.

Students must be admitted into the medical laboratory sciences program to enroll in 300- and 400- level AHLS courses. Students must maintain a grade of C or better in all 300-level AHLS designated courses in the MLS program, except for AHLS 476, or be subject to dismissal from the program. A student also may be dismissed from the program for unprofessional behavior or for actions that threaten the health and/or safety of patients. All general education courses must be completed before beginning the clinical courses in the hospital.

The medical laboratory science clinical courses, AHLS 486 and AHLS 487, include topics in hematology, hemostasis, urinalysis, body fluids, medical microbiology, medical diagnostic biochemistry, medical immunology and immunohematology. Before enrolling in the practicum courses, students must have completed all other university and program requirements for graduation.

Clinical Practicum placements at affiliated hospitals require the student to provide and incur cost for the following:

- completion of a 3-dose series of Hepatitis B immunization if needed followed by quantitative Hepatitis B blood titer. The series should begin as soon as the new transfer student is accepted into the medical laboratory sciences major or before enrollment; Students at NIU will need to show proof of completion of the 3-dose series by the first day of AHLS 211, Introduction to the Medical Laboratory Sciences;
- criminal background check;
- AMHA cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) certification;
- 10 panel drug screen;
- quantitative blood titers for Hepatitis B, Rubella, Rubeola, Mumps, Varicella-zoster; 2 doses live vaccine; 28 days or more apart;
- two-step TB skin test or Quantiferon Gold blood test;
Before enrolling in AHLS 486 and AHLS 487, students must have completed all other university and program requirements for graduation. Medical laboratory science degree completion (ADC) students enrolling in AHLS 488 must be in the process of completing all university requirements.

**B.S. Degree Completion for Clinical/Medical Laboratory Technicians**

Clinical or medical laboratory technicians with an associate’s degree and appropriate certification as granted by the ASCP Board of Certification or equivalent national organization and a minimum of one year of experience working full-time as a CLT/MLT, must demonstrate the competencies required of all preclinical medical laboratory sciences majors. Once formally admitted into the major, degree completion students have the option of completing didactic courses online and must complete the following required AHLS 300-level courses with a grade of C or better; additional courses required are HSCI 318 or proficiency test, AHLS 440 or AHLS 450, and HSCI 460. Required courses are HSCI 318, AHLS 301, AHLS 302, AHLS 303, AHLS 308, AHLS 336, AHLS 344, AHLS 440 or AHLS 446, HSCI 460, and satisfactory performance in AHLS 475. Upon Medical Laboratory Science Degree Completion Practicum, medical laboratory science degree completion students enrolling in AHLS 488, Medical Laboratory Science Degree Completion Practicum, must be in the process of completing all university requirements. In addition, these students must obtain satisfactory performance in and AHLS 475, comprehensive exams, Medical Laboratory Sciences Competency, the student will Degree completion students may receive up to 123 semester hours of credit for the Introduction to MLS course and AHLS 300-level lab courses. AHLS 211, AHLS 300, AHLS 311, AHLS 312, AHLS 313, AHLS 337, and AHLS 345. Upon successful completion of all the MLS requirements, the student may be awarded up to an additional 17 hours of proficiency credit for the learning experiences leading to the A.A.S. in CLT/MLT. Students in this program are exempt from the 30-semester-hour university graduation residence.

Individuals who are certified as clinical or medical laboratory technicians and who desire to complete the requirements for the B.S. in clinical or medical laboratory sciences are advised to contact the program coordinator for specific information.

**RATIONALE:**
Updated and clarified practicum requirements are based on current CDC requirements.

Removed listing majority of courses to allow for fewer updates as courses change in the future.
Decreased the number of semester hours which degree completion students may receive from 13 to 12, to reflect the reduction from 2 to 1 credit for AHLS 337.