



International Finance and Accounting

(official name: Finance and Control)

Short degree programme
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Financial talents are in high demand all over the world,

in a wide diversity of sectors and organisations: within retail, manufacturing and health care as well as banks and accountancy firms. The Saxion International Finance and Accounting programme is an internationally recognised bachelor degree programme which prepares you for a career in the dynamic financial industry.

Two years or one year?

The Short Degree Programme of International Finance and Accounting normally lasts two years (120 ECTS). In addition to the two-year programme, we also offer a one-year Short Degree Programme (at least 60 ECTS). This one-year programme is specifically designed for students from our partner universities abroad. Upon successful completion of one of these programmes, you obtain the title Bachelor of Science.

First year

In the first year of our Short Degree Programme, we primarily work on intermediate knowledge which you will need as a financial specialist. You learn about economic relationships, financial markets, currency markets, ethics, governance and international legislation from an international perspective. Subjects such as financial management, management accounting and marketing will give you a solid grounding in economics and finance. Furthermore, you have the opportunity to improve your English-language and research skills.

General

Dutch education focuses on fostering student independence, team spirit and presentation skills.

On top of that, Saxion's programmes are known for interweaving theory with practical experience.

International Finance and Accounting forms an excellent basis for a career in business or public services, whether in your home country or anywhere else in the world.

After graduation

Upon graduation you receive the title of Bachelor of Science. This will give you an excellent springboard to the international labour market: as a policy advisor with the European Union, at a bank in Hamburg, London or Paris, or as a financial specialist for a multinational company – all this and more could be printed on your business card later on! This degree also opens up great job opportunities in your own country. If you prefer to continue studying, you will be welcome to do a master in business administration or finance and accounting at almost any university, both within and outside Europe.

Second year

In the second year you gain a more thorough understanding of the subjects of accounting information systems (AIS), auditing, management information systems and risk management. The programme concludes with students completing a research and advisory report.

Soft skills

As an internationally operating financial specialist you are relying on sharing your expertise with others, by informing, presenting to and advising board members and other colleagues. Therefore, we help you to develop your 'soft' skills such as communication, negotiation, leadership, ethics, project-based working and working in international teams by attending subjects such as sociology, cultural anthropology and human resource management.

Coaching

During your study, you are not expected to do everything completely by yourself. A study career counsellor is around to help you settle in, both in The Netherlands and at Saxion. The study career counsellor also supervises the progress of your studies to maximise your success and provides guidance on your future career prospects.

Practically-oriented

Saxion takes a competence-oriented and problem-guided approach to teaching, meaning that theory and practical experience are interwoven whenever possible. Students are continually challenged to apply their theoretical knowledge in practical situations, both individually and as part of an international project team. You may often find yourself putting things you have learnt in the morning into practice in the afternoon!

Practical cases reflect the theory taught throughout the semesters to enable you to learn about the broad spectrum of working in finance. For example, you may have to vision yourself in the position of a consultant in the first semester. Several months later you may be asked to imagine that you are an accountant at a large firm or a financial specialist for a multinational. For a large franchiser, you may be required to research the differences between various countries. For a medium-sized company in a border town, you may explore the feasibility of cross-border activities – what would be the financial, fiscal and legal consequences?



Together with your fellow students, you will analyse, advise and prepare reports to demonstrate your capability as an internationally operating business economist of the future. Can you draw on the right knowledge and apply it to present your recommendations professionally? We support you with lectures, practical classes, seminars, management games and excursions, and test your knowledge extensively at the end of every semester/quarter.

International programme

This programme is fully taught in the English language. You will work on international cases from the perspective of the global economy and gain insights into many different cultures – not only from books but also from your classmates, who come from all four corners of the world. This international character can also be found in the final report.

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Meivia Effendi

“Hi! My name is Meivia Effendi, a prior double degree student from Saxion University of Applied Sciences. I was studying in the IFAS Programme for one year. While studying in Saxion, it was one of the best times of my life. I met a lot of amazing people from different parts of the world and did many incredible things. Living in Saxion’s student housing was a fantastic opportunity to build relationships with many people. I had a tremendous time in Saxion. The teacher and the staff were amiable and helpful. The teaching system was different compared to the Indonesian teaching system. But, I managed to balance my academic life and my social life. Fortunately, I got a job at KPMG as an auditor two months before I graduated. So, by the time I graduated, I started working right away. I also got help from the career counselor in Saxion while applying for a job in the Netherlands. I even did a mock interview with one of the teachers to help me pass the job interview. In addition to that, Saxion really cares about our mental health. Saxion offers free therapy with professional psychologists for students. Studying in Saxion was a wonderful experience, and I highly recommend you to study here as well.”



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	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4
Year 1 & 2	Exemptions			
	Business English 3.1 3 ec's	Research Skills 3.2 3 ec's	Business Communication 3.3 3 ec's	Business English 3.4 3 ec's
	Ethics 3.1 3 ec's	Human Resource Management 3.2 3 ec's	International Law 3.3 3 ec's	International Taxation 3.4 3 ec's
Year 3	Corporate Governance 3.1 3 ec's	Financial Management 3.2 4 ec's		Financial Accounting 3.4 4 ec's
	Marketing & Management 3.1 3 ec's		International Financial Management 3.3 4 ec's	International Financial Management 3.4 4 ec's
	Management Accounting 3.1 4 ec's	Management Accounting 3.2 4 ec's	Supply Chain Management 3.3 3 ec's	Supply Chain Management 3.4 3 ec's
	Business English 4.1 3 ec's	Management Accounting 4.2 4 ec's	Accounting Information Systems 4.3 3 ec's	Accounting Information Systems 4.4 3 ec's
	Financial Management 4.1 4 ec's		MIS/ICT 4.3 3 ec's	Professional Development & Com 4.4 3 ec's
Year 4	Auditing 4.1 4 ec's	Auditing 4.2 4 ec's	Sociology & Cultural Anthropology 4.3 3 ec's	
	Financial Accounting 4.1 4 ec's	Financial Accounting 4.2 4 ec's		
	Research Skills 4.1 & 4.2 3 ec's		Research & Advisory report IFAS 15 ec's	

Entry requirements

General Saxion entry requirements

- Students from all our international programmes must demonstrate that they have the ability, motivation and determination to successfully complete the programme.
- Students must have adequate English-language skills. For our International Finance and Accounting programme the entry requirement is an academic IELTS of 6.0 or an equivalent in another language test.
- The student must be admissible to Higher Education through a diploma of secondary education/high-school diploma with good results.

Specific entry requirements

- Specific requirement for our two-year programme (120 ECTS): a 3-year bachelor's level in a related programme, with (at least) basic courses in the field of accounting, finance, management & marketing, personal computing and (micro/macro) economics. An official subject description of these courses and a list of grades must be submitted to Saxion.
- Specific requirement for our one-year programme (at least 60 ECTS): admittance to the one-year programme is only possible for students from specifically approved programmes of our partner universities. You should inquire at your home university about whether there is a partnership agreement. An official list of grades must be submitted to Saxion.

Get Ready for a Smart World

Technological innovations have an impact not only on your social life but on your future professional life too.

At Saxion University of Applied Sciences, we teach you how these innovations impact your future professional field and how you can apply technology to perform your work even better, so no matter which programme you choose, you will be prepared for a world that is getting smarter.

Studying at Saxion also means growing as a person. Who are you as a person? Where do your talents lie and what do you want to excel at? We will help you develop a moral compass, build your self-confidence and broaden your horizon. You will learn a lot by doing a work placement or by taking a minor in another programme here, elsewhere in the Netherlands or abroad.

This way, you will learn to take responsibility and prepare yourself for a business endeavour or a challenging job. You are in control!

More information

To enrol in International Finance and Accounting, first of all you need to meet our general entry requirements. Please check saxion.edu/entry-requirements for more information. If you have any questions about the requirements or the programme itself, feel free to contact the School of Finance and International Business:
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Would you like to apply?

Start your application procedure at saxion.edu/application-form.





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