

FINANCE MAJOR

Risk Management and Insurance

WHAT YOU CAN DO WITH IT

- The RMI concentration in the finance major is highly specialized, providing technical knowledge of life and health insurance, property and liability insurance, and risk management.
- The knowledge and analytical abilities acquired by students majoring in Risk Management and Insurance prepare them for rewarding careers.
- There are many diverse employment opportunities in Risk Management and Insurance.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Opportunities in: sales (agent, broker, direct writer), claims, underwriting, ratemaking, risk management, loss control, investments, accounting, data processing, law, and other functional areas.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND INTERNSHIPS

- Scholarships are available from the Memphis RIMS Chapter. In past semesters, majors with a 2.5 GPA or better have received financial support. Insurance Women of Memphis also provide a scholarship.
- Internships are available with local private and public entities.
- Campus and off-campus opportunities through college internship programs, and industry introductory positions.
- Students often attend meetings of professional associations.

RISK MANAGEMENT AND INSURANCE FRATERNITY

Gamma Iota Sigma – Any student interested in Risk Management and Insurance may join Gamma Iota Sigma. Some activities include: contact with industry representatives, publication of a student resume book, and field trips.

Course Requirements Major (24 hours)

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A minimum 2.25 GPA is required in the major.

Required Courses: (15 hours)

FIR 3720 (3) Financial Markets (Prerequisite: FIR 3410)
FIR 3810 (3) Principles of Risk and Insurance
FIR 4440 (3) Managerial Finance (Prerequisite: FIR 3410)
FIR 4870 (3) Risk Management

FIR 3710 (3) Investments (Prerequisite: FIR 3410)

OR

FIR 4730 (3) Financial Analysis and Certifications (Prerequisite: FIR 3410)

Choose 3 courses from: (9 hours)

FIR 4720 (3) Management of Financial Institutions (Prerequisites: FIR 3410, 3720)
FIR 4810 (3) Property and Liability Insurance I
FIR 4820 (3) Life and Health Insurance
FIR 4911 (3) Internship in Finance (2.75 GPA, 15 hours completed in Upper Division Core)
ECON 4112 (3) Organizational Economics (Prerequisite: ECON 2120)
ECON 4740 (3) Health Care Economics

Minor: FIR 3810, 4870, and three upper division hours in insurance approved by the department chair.

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