

# Accounting and Finance

## MSc



**Location:** London City campus, Moorgate

Starts September	Yes
Starts February	Yes
Full-time	Yes
Part-time day	Yes

### Aims of the course

This academically rigorous masters provides you with the opportunity to study the major disciplines in accounting and finance and relate these to the business environment. This course provides a sound conceptual foundation for a professional managerial or business career and explores current issues in a rapidly changing business environment. It enables you to enhance your employability and/or progress to a doctorate programme or study for a professional accounting qualification.

The course is taught by academics who are involved in consultancy projects within the industry both in the UK and abroad. Our strong links with industry associations and leaders allows us to invite guest speakers, organise field trips and enable you to network with industry professionals. The international student and staff body at London Metropolitan Business School facilitates a cultural diversity that adds to the international theme of the course.

### Duration and attendance

**Full-time:** 1 year

**Part-time:** 2 – 3 years

### Dates/timetable

**Autumn semester:** September – January

**Spring semester:** February – June

### Course structure

The course consists of five core modules and one optional module as well as a dissertation (which is triple weighted).

### Core modules

**Advanced Financial Reporting** – This module builds on your existing knowledge of both financial accounting and financial reporting. You will explore current issues in UK and international financial reporting.

**Strategic Financial Management** – Examines advanced financial management with a focus on strategic issues. You will explore theoretical and practical aspects, relating financial management to corporate strategy at a multinational level.

**International Business Finance and Investment** – Examines the core decisions of international financial management, international capital markets and foreign exchange markets. You will also analyse the risks faced by firms operating in an international context, including organisational and governance structures and constraints on financial decision making.

**Strategic Management Control and Appraisal** – Demonstrates how management accounting is used to support decision-making, planning, control and performance measurement within organisations.

**Research Methods for Accounting and Finance** – Equips you with the knowledge and skills required to design and conduct research for your dissertation. You will also develop transferable skills enabling you to carry out both rigorous research and independent work in your future career.

### Optional modules

**Mergers and Acquisitions** – You will evaluate the strategic and financial impact of M&As on corporations and their stakeholders in the context of the regulatory and capital market environments.

**Strategic Information Management** – Analyses the role of information in business strategy. You will evaluate how organisations can use IS/IT to gain competitive advantage and become familiar with the methodologies used to plan and implement information strategies. You will develop a critical awareness of current issues, organisational structures and practices and analyse the social and organisational impact of IS/IT.

**Corporate Strategy** – This module focuses on business strategy and examines the analysis, strategic option generation, evaluation and implementation of business strategy.

**Corporate Governance and Accountability** – You will address current issues in corporate governance and accountability.

**Contemporary Issues in Strategic Management Accounting** – This module provides a review of current issues in strategic management accounting structured around a series of presentations by guest speakers.

### Dissertation

The dissertation is a significant (60-credit) module that provides an opportunity for you to undertake a substantial piece of research in the field of Accounting and Finance. You are expected to demonstrate a synthesis of the knowledge and skills you have developed throughout the course. This is the largest piece of assessed work undertaken on the course and is seen as the clearest expression of your ability to study at Masters level.

## Research

Our postgraduate courses draw significantly on the research carried out by staff in the Business School. This MSc is located within the Accounting and Business Law subject group which has a long and distinguished record in undertaking research and consultancy.

## Teaching and learning

Each module consists of a mixture of scheduled classes, guided learning and self-directed learning. Teaching and learning is undertaken through lectures, seminars, discussions, group activities, workshops, projects, tutorials and self-managed study. A variety of assessment is utilised including essays, reports presentations, case studies and exams.

## Career opportunities

The programme enables you to enhance your skills and knowledge through a structured programme of study, enabling you to advance faster and further in your career. Graduates have progressed in a variety of fields including financial services, accounting practice, management consultancy and academic research.

## Fees 08/09\*

Full-time (EU)	£6,750
Full-time (non-EU)	£9,900
Part-time (EU) per 20 credit module	£750
Part-time (non-EU) per 20 credit module	£1,100

\*Tuition fees are subject to change, please check with the Admissions Office.

## Entry requirements

Applicants should have a minimum lower second-class Honours degree in a relevant subject. Those with relevant professional qualifications or extensive professional experience will also be considered.

Students for whom English is not their first language must demonstrate sufficient fluency in both written and spoken English. The minimum requirement is one of the following:

- IELTS 6 minimum with a minimum of 6 in speaking and writing and 5.5 in listening and reading
- TOEFL (old examination) 600 minimum
- TOEFL (new examination) 250 minimum

## How to apply

Apply directly to the University. Please contact Admissions for an application form or you may download one at [www.londonmet.ac.uk/how-to-apply](http://www.londonmet.ac.uk/how-to-apply)

## Further information

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## Open days/evenings

You can also come to one of our open days or evenings, held throughout the year. See our website [www.londonmet.ac.uk/lmbs](http://www.londonmet.ac.uk/lmbs) or call the Admissions Office for up-to-date details.

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