**What will I study?**

The Finance concentration of the Business Administration program provides a solid foundation for a range of careers, including investment banking, money management, venture capital, and real estate. Our program emphasizes basic financial theories, analytical and quantitative skills, and written and oral communication. Required courses include: Security Analysis and Portfolio Management, and Financial Markets and Institutions.

**What can I do with a degree in Finance?**

A degree in finance is a step in the right direction for any future business professional. The many career options stemming from a finance degree include: financial advisor, credit analyst, stock broker, insurance agent, bank economist, loan officer, financial analyst, and financial manager (e.g., CFO, controller, or treasurer).

**POTENTIAL CAREER TIMELINE**

A clear path for opportunity is easy to see based upon data from our professors and alumni who are familiar with the finance profession.

**Why choose Finance at CSU Stanislaus?**

Finance is one of the most interesting and dynamic subjects that affects all areas of business and many areas of personal life. Our program helps students to obtain professional financial knowledge and to develop strong analytic, problem-solving, and decision-making skills. Our Finance Club provides students the opportunity to network with finance professionals from the area. Many students enroll in the Master of Business Administration program once receiving their bachelor’s degrees.

At the graduate level, we offer a unique, one-year program (MSBA) designed for corporate managers of international firms as well as the recent graduates who are interested in advanced study in the field of international finance.

The Finance Department endeavors to provide:

- A strong foundation for the entry-level financial professional.
- Competence and coursework for graduates to succeed in finance-related careers, as well as graduate business study.
- Comprehensive pre-requisite courses for all Business Administration majors.

Right now, CSU Stanislaus Finance graduates are working in large and small businesses, government agencies, financial institutions and not-for-profits through the Central Valley and beyond.
His College of Business Administration professors continually challenged him, and Jacinto welcomed it — time and time again. His efforts were rewarded in 2003, when he was part of the group that founded VisTech Manufacturing in Stockton with the intent to supply die cut/assembly acoustical absorbers for the automotive industry. The company has since grown to a full-service converter both as a tier one and tier two supplier to the automotive industry. A second plant was opened in 2004 in Lebanon, Ohio. In 2007, VisTech opened its third plant in Stratford, Ontario, Canada.

As a testament to Jacinto’s success, the company’s sales in 2008 neared $20 million.

Knowing the loyalty and desire of CBA students, the first salaried employees of VisTech were Jacinto’s fellow CSU Stanislaus graduates Alex Ramirez and Jose Zamora. Both have been instrumental in the success of VisTech and now hold executive management titles in the company.

A 100 percent minority-owned and operated business enterprise, VisTech prides itself in being able to compete in the challenging automotive industry.

Advising & Student Success

The Student Success Center is a one-stop shop for CSU Stanislaus business students. The SSC facilitates the educational and career goals of students by providing services such as academic advising, career information, and scholarship information. Contact the SSC at (209) 667-3864 or e-mail cbassc@csustan.edu.