

## FINANCE

# MASTERS

## Banking and Finance

The professional skills in banking and finance Masters corresponds to the university requirements for a Bac +5 qualification.

The Masters in Banking and Finance is organised over two years, and students can enter in the first or second year.

The first year aims to provide any students currently enrolled on a course which is predominantly financial with indispensable knowledge of the field. The first term provides the fundamental basis for the entire course (financial theory, information systems, business English, etc.). The second term is an opportunity, on the one hand, to develop specialist knowledge (management control, banking management, risk management, etc.) and, on the other, to undertake a three-month internship to help students define their future careers.

The second year is divided into two formats which are organised in parallel:

### STANDARD FORMAT

Students opting for this format follow classes continuously at IAE. Classes take place at the University during the first six months of the course, from September to February. This is followed by a six-month internship.

### APPRENTICESHIP FORMAT

Apprentices hold the status of employees and receive a salary during their training year. They are posted to one of the course's partner establishments. Classes alternate with work (three weeks in the host company followed by two weeks at IAE).



## OBJECTIVES

*The Masters in Banking and Finance corresponds to the Money, Banking, Finance and Insurance speciality at the Université Jean Monnet de Saint-Etienne. A state-registered qualification equivalent to Bac +5, it certifies that the holder has acquired professional skills in the field through a selective course.*

*The Masters in Banking and Finances trains students for careers in the banking sector, corporate financial services and insurance companies.*

### Nelly, branch manager

*"I studied for an undergraduate degree in Economic Sciences at the University of Saint Etienne. This led to a Masters in Banking and Finance which I followed in the apprenticeship format. I worked as an apprentice at Crédit Agricole during my Masters, and was then recruited by Crédit Agricole as a business customer advisor in Roanne. I then moved to Lyon and was promoted to the post of Business Customer Manager and Executive Assistant and then Branch Manager at the Banque Populaire Loire et Lyonnais."*

National diploma: Master (120 ECTS)

Final qualification: Bac + 5

Length of course: 2 ans  
(or one if entry in M2)

Accessible as

Initial study programme

Work-study programme

Continuous education programme VAE  
(Validation of Acquired Experience)

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### **Mariette, assistant manager**

"Having passed my Baccalaureat in Economic and Social Sciences, I went on to graduate with an undergraduate degree in Economics and Management. In the first year of my Masters I studied Finance at Grenoble. Summer temp work in a bank followed by an internship at headquarters confirmed my interest in the banking sector. I therefore chose to do the second year of the Masters in Banking and Finance, following the standard format. After a six-month internship, I got a job as Assistant Manager at Fortis Banque in Lyon."

### **Barthélémy, business analyst**

"After completing the first year of the Masters at the University of Economics and Finance at St Petersburg (Russia), I joined the Masters in Banking and Finance at Saint Etienne. After my degree, I was recruited by RBC-Dexia in Luxembourg as a Business Analyst. I went on to take a new position in Luxembourg at the Générale Bank & Trust company."



## Career prospects

The Masters programme opens up a wide range of careers in banking, insurance and corporate financial services, listed in the directory of qualifications published each year.

## The professional world is closely involved in the course content.

Managers from several establishments contribute towards the course content (Allianz, Banque de France, Banque Populaire, BNP Paribas, Caisse d'Épargne, Crédit Agricole).

Numerous establishments such as: AG2R La Mondiale, Allianz, Attijariwafa Bank, Axa, Bank of China, Banque Courtois, Banque de Savoie, Banque Populaire, Banque Postale, Banque Publique d'Investissement, Banque Rhône-Alpes, Banque Rothschild, BGFIBank, BNP Paribas, BTP Banque, Bank, Crédit agricole, Crédit commerciale de France, Crédit coopératif, Crédit Immobilier, Crédit Industriel et Commercial, Crédit Mutuel, Ernst & Young, Euronext, Fransabank, Groupama, HSBC, IBM, LCL, Lea Trade Finance, Locam, MAAF, MACIF, Mercedes, Moody's, Postbank, Russian agricultural bank, Saint-Gobain, Société Générale, Société Lyonnaise de Banque **host and recruit our interns and apprentices.**

### Admission

Recruitment level:  
Bac +3 or Bac +4

### Eligibility conditions

The Masters is open to graduates holding a Bac +3 degree for entry into the first year or a Bac +4 for entry into the second year, containing a significant volume of teaching in economics, management or finance, and to students from other disciplines who can prove solid knowledge in these fields.

It is also open to employees who are retraining and who hold at least an undergraduate degree and sufficient professional experience as assessed through the Validation of Acquired Professional and Personal Experience system (VAPP).

### How to apply?

#### FOR ENTRY IN THE FIRST YEAR

Candidates must pass the Score IAE-Message. Several examination sessions are organised from February onwards ([www.iae-message.fr](http://www.iae-message.fr)). Eligibility is conditional upon results of the Score IAE-Message. Admission: applicants are invited to apply on the IAE website from March.

Students from the IAE in Saint Etienne: applicants are exempt from the first application stage (Score IAE-Message) but must go through the admission phase.

#### FOR ENTRY IN THE SECOND YEAR

Applicants are invited to apply on the IAE website from March.

Applicants are preselected through examination of their written applications and are then requested to sit an interview to gauge their motivation for the course and careers in the field. This is also an opportunity for applicants to choose between the standard and apprenticeship formats. After the interview, applications from those wishing to take part in the apprenticeship format are sent to partner companies which then invite applicants for another interview to sign the apprenticeship contract.

### Compulsory internship

- Three months in the first year
- Six months in the second year



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