

QUALIFICATION PROFILE

of the Master's Degree Program in

“INTERNATIONAL BANKING AND FINANCE”

(taught in English)

The aim of the “International Banking and Finance” Master's program (taught in English) is to develop competencies for successful professional realization in the field of banking enterprise management. Upon completion of the program, graduates will be able to effectively manage, assess, and reconfigure processes in banking institutions to ensure a stable credit environment conducive to sustainable economic development and financial stability.

The curriculum includes courses that provide highly specialized knowledge in areas such as cash flow management, capital and risk management strategies, as well as the development and implementation of new financial products and enterprises.

Students acquire knowledge related to the functioning of banks, the structure of corporate financing, and the financial services market on national, regional, and global levels. They also gain an understanding of the specifics of bank asset management and its impact on both microeconomic and macroeconomic levels. In parallel, students learn how banking credit can be used as a tool for sustainable economic growth.

Throughout the course of study, students develop skills for independent analysis and interpretation of financial data, analytical, conceptual, and abstract thinking, as well as the ability to present well-reasoned opinions and judgments and make informed decisions. They also master innovative methods for solving complex economic problems. Thus, the training is based not only on the development of theoretical knowledge in banking but also on a critical study of the best global banking practices through independent research and high-quality methods and methodologies.

Graduates of this program are prepared to understand and interrelate developments in the banking and financial markets, financial stability, and economic growth. They also possess competencies in budget preparation and management and understand the importance of presentation skills for success in business and public affairs.

Graduates of the “International Banking and Finance” program (taught in English) are highly qualified professionals with a functional-economic profile. They possess competitive advantages for employment in various business organizations as managers, analysts, experts, and consultants in the fields of

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finance and banking. They are capable of applying their acquired knowledge at different managerial levels in financial and banking institutions, both nationally and internationally. Additionally, they possess the competencies necessary for successfully managing their own businesses.

The program is offered in a full-time format. Its duration is two semesters for holders of a Bachelor's degree in economics-related specialties, three semesters for holders of a Bachelor's degree in other professional fields, and four semesters for holders of a Professional Bachelor's degree in economics-related specialties.

Students complete the program by defending a Master's thesis. Upon graduation, they are awarded a Master's degree in higher education with the professional qualification of "Economist." Under certain conditions, graduates may continue their education in a doctoral program (PhD).

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