

What Can I Do With Finance?

What is Finance?

Tracking and predicting economic developments
Managing funds, cost analysis, investments, and credit policies
Enhancing efficiency and profitability through financial strategy

Day in the Life

Roles:

[Financial & Investment Analyst](#)
[Financial Manager](#)
[Personal Financial Advisor](#)

Source: careeronestop.org

Career-related podcasts:

[Careers in Finance](#)
[Financial Analyst Journal](#)
[Boosting Your Financial IQ](#)

Sample Finance Roles

Financial Analyst: Evaluate investments and advise businesses

Investment Banking Analyst: Analyze firms and industries

Personal Financial Advisor: Tailored financial guidance

Sales & Trading: Market-making in financial instruments

Commercial Bank Management: Oversee deposits, lending, and liquidity

Characteristics for Success

Attention to detail

Appetite for risk

Big-picture thinking

Collaborative mindset

Innovative and strategic

Strong analytical skills

Preparation

Bachelor's degree required for most entry-level roles

On-the-job training is common

Additional credentials may include:

CFA (Chartered Financial Analyst)

CFP (Certified Financial Planner)

SIE (Securities Industry Essentials) Exam

Sample Employers

JPMorgan Chase, Oracle, Huntington Bank
Johnson & Johnson, Nestlé, Abercrombie & Fitch
Accenture, Amazon, Crowe, General Electric

Salary Information (2024–2025)

Full-time: \$73,400 annually

Intern: \$25/hour

Job Outlook

Financial Analysts: 8% growth (2022–2032)

Financial Examiners: 20% growth (2022–2032)

Growth driven by financial product expansion and regulatory needs

Source: BLS Occupational Outlook Handbook

Fisher Resources

Academic: Finance Department

Extracurricular:

Buckeye Capital Investors

Common Cents Investment Group

Undergraduate Finance Association

Finance Specialization Courses

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