## **FINANCE (GREAT VALLEY)**

## **Admission Requirements**

Applicants apply for admission to the program via the Graduate School application for admission (https://gradschool.psu.edu/graduateadmissions/how-to-apply/). Requirements listed here are in addition to Graduate Council policies listed under GCAC-300 Admissions Policies (https://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/).

The language of instruction at Penn State is English. English proficiency test scores (TOEFL/IELTS) may be required for international applicants. See GCAC-305 Admission Requirements for International Students (https://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/gcac/ gcac-300/gcac-305-admission-requirements-international-students/) for more information.

Applicants should:

- 1. Have a 3.0 or better (on a 4.0 scale) junior/senior grade-point average.
- 2. Submit a completed online application.
- 3. Submit a GMAT or GRE score. Applicants can request a waiver if they meet one of the following criteria:
  - An undergraduate junior/senior GPA of a least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale at a regionally-accredited university with AACSB, EQUIS, or AMBA accredited business programs or an undergraduate junior/senior GPA of a least 3.3 on a 4.0 scale from a regionally-accredited university. without AACSB, EQUIS, or AMBA accredited business programs AND demonstrated effective communication and quantitative skills based on course work.
  - An advanced degree (master's or higher) from a regionallyaccredited university with AACSB, EQUIS, or AMBA accredited business programs.
  - Membership in Beta Gamma Sigma, the business honorary society recognized by AACSB.
  - One or more professional certifications including a C.F.A., C.P.A., F.R.M. and/or C.M.A., or doctoral degree (e.g. Ph.D., M.D., or J.D.).
- 4. Submit a statement of intent or career path objective (one page).
- 5. Submit one confidential evaluation form letters.
- 6. Submit official transcripts from all post-secondary institutions attended (http://www.gradschool.psu.edu/prospective-students/ how-to-apply/new-applicants/requirements-for-graduate-admission/). International applicants must submit official university records (transcripts/marksheets and diploma if date conferred does not appear on transcripts/marksheets), with attested English translations if the record is not in English. Notarized copies are not sufficient.
- 7. Submit a current resume.
- 8. Submit a visa application document if they are in the U.S. on a student or work visa.

Admission decisions are based on the quality of the applicant's credentials in relation to those of other applicants who meet the requirements for admission outlined above.

Application Filing Dates: Applications to the Penn State Great Valley's Master of Finance program are reviewed on a rolling basis. New students are admitted and begin their studies in early January and late August.