FAM 400. Issues and Applications. 3 credits.
This seminar is designed to integrate and apply knowledge from the student’s major and the family issues minor. A substantial, in-depth individualized project will strengthen the student’s capabilities in research, information access and self-directed learning. Prerequisites: FAM 133 or SOCI 276, three additional courses in the family studies minor, and junior or senior standing.

FAM 407. Special Topics in Family Studies. 3 credits.
Examination of selected topics that are of current importance to family studies. Course may be repeated for credit. Prerequisite: FAM 133 or SOCI 276.

FAM 490. Special Studies in Family Studies. 1-3 credits.
The course is designed to give capable students in family studies an opportunity to complete independent study under faculty supervision. Course may be repeated for credit. Prerequisites: FAM 133 or SOCI 276 and two additional courses in the family studies minor or permission of the instructor.

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FIN 210. Principles of Real Estate. 3 credits.
Emphasizes industry principles and economic factors influencing the real estate business. Subjects include contracts, deeds, valuation, financing and subdivision development.

FIN 250. Introduction to Quantitative Finance. 3 credits. Spring only.
The purpose of this course is to provide a broad introduction to the markets and instruments of engineered finance. The focus of the course is to expose students to the properties and uses of the array of non-traditional financial instruments that are increasingly trading in both the exchange and over-the-counter markets. Prerequisite: Minimum grade of “C” in MATH 235, MATH 236, ECON 201 and GECON 200.

FIN 301. Principles of Finance. 3 credits.
The purpose of this course is to provide a foundation in the principles and tools of finance, which include financial analysis, the time value of money, capital budgeting and capital structure. Open to students with a B.S. or B.A. economics major with a concentration in finance as well as students majoring in health sciences. Open to students as a repeat/forgive for COB 300. Prerequisites: Junior standing and COB 241.

FIN 302. Spreadsheet Skills in Finance. 1 credit.
The purpose of this course is to offer experience with the spreadsheet applications in finance, including financial functions, statistical functions, reference functions, ActiveX, PivotTables and macros. Prerequisite: Minimum grade of “C” in COB 300 and FIN 360. Open only to finance majors.

FIN/CON 325. Money and Banking. 3 credits.
The purpose of this course is to examine the economic role of money, banking, and monetary policy within current institutional settings and under alternative theories explaining the interrelationships between money, the financial system and economic activity. Prerequisites: ECON 201 and GECON 200.

FIN/MATH 328. Time Series Analysis. 3 credits.
The purpose of this course is to examine regression and exponential smoothing methods for forecasting nonseasonal and seasonal time series, stochastic processes, and Box-Jenkins’ autoregressive and moving average models. Prerequisites: MATH 238 and MATH 319.

FIN 345. Finance for the Non-Financial Manager. 3 credits.
The purpose of this course is to build a foundation of theoretical concepts and analytical techniques to aid management decisions on financial problems. Topics include: working capital and fixed asset management for profit expansion. Not recommended for students seeking admission to MBA programs. Prerequisites: COB 244, junior standing (60 hours) and a cumulative 2.0 grade point average in all courses taken at JMU. Restricted to non-college of business majors.

FIN 355. International Financial Management. 3 credits.
The purpose of this course is to provide a comprehensive examination of the investing and financing decisions of a multinational business entity. Particular emphasis is on global financial markets and instruments, exchange-rate risk management, short-term and long-term financing for multinational firms, and asset-liability management in an international environment. Prerequisite: COB 300B. Open to international business majors only.

FIN 380. Analytical Methods in Finance. 3 credits.
The purpose of this course is to introduce the finance major to quantitative methods in finance as applied to financial instruments and capital markets. Emphasis is placed in the theoretical determination of asset prices, risk