

**BUAD 426 Fundamentals of Hedge Fund Management, 1 credit**

**Application Review will begin Monday, October 10.**

Spring 2023 | Professor Matthew Siano, Managing Director, General Council at Two Sigma Investment, LP

*Eligible for finance experiential elective, pass/fail grading*

This course gives a broad overview of the hedge fund industry and what is needed to launch a hedge fund and hedge fund manager by providing an overview of hedge fund structures, primary internal and external parties.

The 1-credit experiential course **will be held prior to the start of Spring 2023 courses**, held for full days Saturday, January 21; Sunday, January 22 and Monday, January 23. The final presentation day will be Saturday, January 28 for the duration of your presentation.

The application requires (1) a brief (in about 300 words) explanation of why you want to take the course and what you hope to get out of the course; (2) an uploaded, current resume; and (3) an academic transcript.

Pre-requisites: BUAD 323 and instructor permission

**Applications are now being accepted online at the [Hedge Fund Management Application Link](#)**  
**Application review and admission decisions will be made on a rolling basis beginning October 10.**

*If you do not hear back about the course prior to registration, please plan for an alternate course that can be dropped at a later date if necessary.*

**BUAD 422 Applied Financial Concepts, 3 credits**

**Application Review will begin Monday, October 10**

Spring 2023 | Professor Glenn Crafford

*Eligible for finance elective, standard grading*

The goal of this course is to expose students through the case method of instruction to practices and recent developments within several specialized areas of the financial services sector. Key objectives are to develop the student's problem solving ability and written and oral communication skills through the quantitative and qualitative analysis of actual business situations. Students gain facility at interpreting financial and business information, researching and seeking expert advice, working in groups and synthesizing data into an actionable analysis. Active student participation in case discussion and analysis is required, and a meaningful portion of the student's evaluation is based on class participation. In addition, students, divided into small groups, analyze and present a group case study toward the end of the semester. The group case study includes both a written case analysis as well as an oral group presentation.

The application requires (1) a short essay on why the course fits with your career ambitions, (2) an uploaded, current resume, and (3) an academic transcript.

*Applied Financial Concepts continued...*

Pre-requisites: BUAD 323, BUAD 329 and instructor permission

**Applications are now being accepted online at [the Applied Financial Concepts Application link](#).**

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***Distinguish BUAD 421 Student-Managed Investment Fund, 3 credits***

***Application Review will begin Monday, October 10.***

Spring 2023 | Professor Hugh Marble

*Eligible for finance experiential elective, standard grading*

The purpose of this course is to provide real-world portfolio management and security analysis experience through the management of the Mason School Student Managed Investment Fund (SMIF). Different investment teams will focus on alternative financial models, industries, and/or sectors of the market. Each team will thoroughly research and present their analysis to the SMIF Executive Board.

The application requires (1) a brief explanation of your interest in taking the course, (2) an uploaded, current resume; and (3) an academic transcript.

Pre-requisites: BUAD 323 and instructor permission

**Applications are now being accepted online at the [Student-Managed Investment Fund Application link](#).**

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