



Doctor of Philosophy

Finance

The program

The Finance PhD program prepares students to engage in original research on financial markets and decision-making. Students acquire critical technical skills in economic theory, finance theory, data analysis and coding. They also learn to identify promising ideas, write compelling papers and present effectively.

Contribute to leading edge research

Our faculty's research interests and technical approaches are broad, with particular strength in fields and methods such as:

- ◉ Corporate finance
- ◉ Household finance
- ◉ Labor and finance
- ◉ Social impact investing
- ◉ Big data
- ◉ Textual analysis
- ◉ Theoretical modeling

Work with top thought leaders

Because the Finance PhD program is small, students benefit from broad access to faculty as co-authors, advisors and mentors. Students also have direct access to leading scholars within professional associations, including five members of the Finance Theory Group, five members (including one founder) of the Labor and Finance Group, and a director of the Financial Research Association.



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Distinguish your education

Leeds School of Business stands on the cutting-edge of business education, positively transforming the future of business by inspiring and educating the next generation of leaders. Consistently ranked among the top business schools in the country, Leeds delivers an innovative, experiential curriculum taught by internationally renowned faculty.

What we look for

The PhD program prepares students to be researchers and teachers at major universities. Hence, applicants are evaluated on their potential to become leading scholars.

Applicants must be intellectually curious and highly motivated by academic inquiry, with strong research and communications skills.

Admissions decisions are based on test scores, previous academic performance, work experience, letters of recommendation, research interests and activities that demonstrate tenacity and scholarly potential.

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Diego García is the Burridge Endowed Chair in Finance at the Leeds School of Business. Professor García was on the faculty at UNC at Chapel Hill and at the Tuck School of Business before joining the University of Colorado at Boulder. He received his PhD from the Haas School of Business and his master's in statistics from the College of Letters and Science at the University of California, Berkeley. He received his BBA from the Asturias Business School in Spain. Professor García comes from Asturias, a small region in Northwest Spain.

Professor García's research interest encompass informational frictions in financial markets, as well as the effect of behavioral biases in asset prices. His work is both theoretical and empirical in nature, and it has been published in leading journals such as the Journal of Finance, the Journal of Financial Economics, the Review of Financial Studies, and the Journal of Economic Theory, among others. Professor García's research received the Michael Brennan award for the best paper published in the Review of Financial Studies.