The Master of Applied Finance at CSU is fully accredited with the Financial Planning Association (FPA) and Society of Trustees and Estate Practitioners (STEP).

Applicants who have completed an undergraduate qualification plus the IIT Advanced Diploma of Financial Planning FNS60410 or FNS60415 and the additional two subjects Compliance in Financial Planning and Planning Ethics and Taxation with IIT can gain direct entry into CSU’s Master of Applied Finance with four subjects credit (FIN560, FIN564 and two electives).

Applicants who do not have an undergraduate degree but have completed the IIT Advanced Diploma and the additional two IIT subjects Compliance in Financial Planning and Planning Ethics and Taxation must first enrol in CSU's Graduate Certificate in Finance. On enrolment into the Graduate Certificate they will receive credit for two unspecified subjects.

To complete the Graduate Certificate you will have to complete CSU subjects FIN516 Corporate Finance and FIN530 Financial Markets and Instruments. Once successfully completed you can then be admitted to CSU's Master of Applied Finance with credit for six completed subjects.

To complete CSU's Master of Applied Finance you will need to successfully complete a further six subjects: ACC585 Financial Statement Analysis and Valuation, FIN535 Strategic and Contemporary Financial Issues and an additional four restricted electives.

Restricted electives are drawn from a comprehensive list of subjects, visit: www.csu.edu.au/finance

These electives include:

ACGS07 Accounting and Tax for Estates and Trusts^  
FIN562 Risk Management and Insurance*  
FIN563 Estate Planning *^  
LAWS23 Finance Law^  
LAWS45 Taxation Strategies ^

*required for students wanting to complete the Financial Planning specialisation and professional entry into the Financial Planning Association of Australia (FPA)  
^required for students wanting to complete the Estate Planning Specialisation and professional entry into the Society of Trustees and Estate Practitioners (STEP)

RG146

Completion of appropriate subjects in CSU’s Graduate Certificate in Finance and CSU’s Master of Applied Finance provides the necessary skill set to be eligible for RG146 compliance, in accordance with the requirements of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC).

Professional recognition

The course has been prepared to meet the requirements of industry. In addition, you may apply to the Financial Planning Association (FPA) for advanced standing for units CFP2, CFP3 and CFP4 of the Certified Financial Planner® (CFP®) Certification Program that leads to the CFP® designation. Completion of relevant subjects will also allow credits to be used toward membership of STEP.

For more information visit: www.csu.edu.au/finance or call 1800 334 733.

IIT and CSU cannot guarantee completion as this is dependant on successful achievement of competencies.