



FINANCE & CONTROL (INTERNATIONAL)

Location Breda

Finance, accounting and management interest you. And you are curious how to apply these themes to international organisations. Finance & Control (International) trains you to become a financial professional who understands that a specific business approach is needed in every country.

YOU

You are an ambitious student with good analytical and numerical skills. You want to start a career in an international, financial business environment. You like to work with people of different nationalities and to speak and write business English fluently.

THE PROGRAMME

Courses

In the foundation year, you acquire the basic knowledge needed for your subsequent studies. In addition to the group project you work on, you attend classes. Courses are centred around finance, accounting, management accounting, information systems and international business. You take English classes and practise your digital skills. In years 2-4, you gain in-depth knowledge of finance and control by executing projects and studying courses in the field of risk management, budget analysis, merger & acquisition and data management.

Practical experience

A financial business professional has different roles, such as financial analyst, financial consultant or financial administrator. From day one, you will take on these different roles of the financial business professional during projects. You need to apply the theory you learn in class directly in order to deliver a successful project. In addition, you will do a work placement of 20 weeks in year 2, as part of which you will work in an international organisation on assistant level. In year 4 you will complete an individual graduation project in an organisation, during which you will look for possible solutions to a problem this organisation faces.

International

You will study English and your lecturers and fellow students come from all over the world. But international also means learning about topics like international tax law and accounting rules and working on international projects. Lecturers have extensive international experience and use real cases in the classroom. And, like mentioned, you will gain international work experiences during your studies as you will spend up to 1.5 years in or outside the Netherlands for a work placement, semester exchange or graduation assignment.



Filip Bonev (Bulgaria), graduated: 2017
Work Placement (year 2): Dragee BV, the Netherlands
Assignment: To implement key performance indicators (KPIs) to measure performance of ICXX & Dragee, who make and distribute delicious gourmet chocolate products.
Semester Exchange (year 3): LIUC Università Carlo Cattaneo, Italy
Graduation Internship (year 4): Delectra, Bulgaria
Assignment: To examine the longterm effects of changes to renewable energy policy and regulations in Bulgaria and the European Union on the revenues and costs of several projects generating electricity of which Delectra currently has ownership.

WHY STUDY FCI AT AVANS

High quality

The FCI programme is offered by the Avans School of International Studies (ASIS). For years in a row, ASIS has been in the top 3 of national rankings such as HBO Keuzegids since 2010, showing that the quality of the programme is perceived as high. This study also shows that 90% of FCI graduates work on the appropriate level right after graduation and their average starting salary of €2,300 is relatively high.

Up-to-date programme

The programme is continuously adjusted to meet the needs of international businesses. This means you will acquire the skills that companies are looking for and that are key assets for international financial business professionals.

Personal guidance

Personal guidance is a very important part of this programme. As part of this commitment all students are assigned a coach, who will work with you on your personal and career development.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The level of your prior education has to be equivalent to the Dutch havo, vwo or mbo 4 level. In addition, you must have English-language skills at IELTS 6.0 and you must have graduated in mathematics, accounting or economics.

OVERVIEW FCI PROGRAMME				
	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4
Year 1	Business Organisation	Business Processes	Business Cycle	Sustainability
Year 2	Master Budget	Risk Management	Work Placement	
Year 3	Strategic Risk Management	International Merger & Acquisition	Semester exchange <i>or</i> minor	
Year 4	Integrated Reporting	Data Management	Graduation Internship	



"My name is Sindija Korsukova and I am from Latvia. I chose the Netherlands because it is one of the few countries in Europe that provides higher education in English. Moreover, Avans has been in lists of top universities many times. In addition, it is situated in a good location, since the city of Breda is not too big and not too small. Also, it's just a 30-minute train ride to the nearest airport, so it is easy to travel home as well. Furthermore, what I found really attractive was that Avans's buildings are very modern and stunning.

I would recommend this university to everyone who is willing to gain a lot of knowledge, study hard for exams and put their knowledge into practice during extensive projects. Moreover, there are always lecturers available who are willing to help you and answer your questions. Of course, there are also a lot of Dutch students that are ready to help you with documents that are not in English. All in all, you will be well-prepared for your future career, study in an international environment and become truly independent."

CAREER POSSIBILITIES

Work

Globalisation is leading to an increased demand for international finance specialists. As an FCI alumunus, you will most likely work as a Financial Controller, Management Accountant, Business Controller or Financial Business Analyst in the finance department of an international organisation.

Master

You can apply for a master's (Master of Science or Master of Arts) or a postgraduate study programme to obtain a Master of Business Administration degree (MBA).

Possible master's study programmes: Accounting & Finance, Financial Economics, Urban, Port and Transport Economics, Health Economics, Marketing Management, Information Management and Financial Management. You can take these in or outside the Netherlands.

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