

**GENERAL FACULTY**  
**Agenda Item**

**Date:** May 11, 2010

**Number:** V. A. 1.

**Subject:** School of Business: Alternative Required Course in Finance Major

**Description:**

The proposed change, specifically the establishment of BU484 Applied Portfolio Management as an alternative to BU 374 Principles of Risk and Insurance to meet the requirements of the major area of concentration in finance in the BBA Degree, will provide alternatives within the finance area for students with differing interests, allowing them to choose between the two courses to fill out the 12-hour module. Both courses are established courses.

It is felt that the exclusion of BU 484 from the finance major artificially directed enrollment away from BU 484 while inclusion of BU 374 in the major similarly artificially directed enrollment toward BU 374. Giving them equal status in the finance major will correct the distortion, while allowing students to follow their own professional interests.

**Financial Implications:**

There are no direct financial implications as both courses are currently offered by existing faculty and adjunct faculty. It is possible that in the long run there will be fewer sections of BU 374 offered over the years than in the past.

Approved by Faculty Senate February 8, 2010.

**Requested Action:** General Faculty approval.

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