LUND UNIVERSITY

SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT

Master's programme in Accounting and Finance

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE | YEAR 2027/2028

The statement of purpose is an important, required element of your application. It is your opportunity to draw our attention to your previous academic experience and to stand out from hundreds of other applicants to the programme. Fill out all designated fields and answer all questions on the following pages. We will consider your answers carefully in the admission process.

First name:

Last name:

Select specialisation within the programme you are applying for:

◯ Corporate Finance. ◯ Accounting and Management Control.

Application number (if unknown, provide your email address):

Level of proficiency in working with Microsoft Excel or similar spreadsheet software:

◯ Basic ◯ Intermediate ◯ Advanced

How to interpret level of proficiency:

Basic proficiency: know how to present data in tables and line charts, bar charts, and pie charts, can perform basic formatting and use basic aggregation worksheet functions (SUM, COUNT, AVERAGE, etc).

Intermediate: can use many built-in tools, incl the add-in data analysis tool, slightly more advanced worksheet functions (SUMIFS, COUNTIFS, IFERROR, VLOOKUP, etc), data sorting and filtering, familiarity with different Paste Special options.

Advanced: some familiarity with vba, pivot tables, nested formulae, and knowledge of less common but powerful worksheet functions like SUMPRODUCT, INDIRECT, MATCH/INDEX, and VLOOKUP of a range. Can use mixed referencing and graphing functions such as secondary axis and both lines and bars in the same chart.

Information on your BA/BSc degree

Name of university:

Country:

Degree and field of study:

Expected date of graduation, if pending (YYYY-MM-DD):

Cumulative grade point average (CGPA), in local grade system, if applicable:

Maximum grade, in local grade system:

Minimum passing grade, in local grade system:

Percentage of courses in which you achieved the maximum grade:

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1. What are your reasons for applying to this programme, and your selected specialisation? Relate to previous experience and personal qualifications and how you see the programme furthering your development in these respects.
(Word limit: 200)

2. Are there any other relevant qualifications you wish to draw to our attention for this programme, e.g. relevant work experience, professional certifications, or extracurricular activities? (Word limit: 200)

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Questions on prerequisite knowledge

One of the admission requirements of the programme is to have studied at least 90 ECTS in business administration.

Number of credits in business administration or related fields:	CGPA on courses in business administration or related fields:

The specific admission requirements of the specialisation in Corporate Finance is to have completed at least 15 ECTS in corporate finance/finance/financial management. The specific admission requirements of the specialisation in Accounting and Management Control is to have completed at least 15 ECTS in financial accounting or management accounting/management control.

List the courses that you have taken in corporate finance, financial accounting, financial management, and management accounting

Course name	University	Number of credits	Grade, in local system

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Participants on the specialisation in Corporate Finance are expected to hold basic knowledge of statistics, including central statistical concepts such as mean, standard deviation, variance, covariance, correlation, and ordinary least squares.

List the courses that you have taken in statistics or econometrics

Course name	University	Number of credits	Grade, in local system

Don't forget to submit your CV in addition to the Statement of purpose!

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