Banking today is a niche career for enthusiasts in the field of commerce and accounts. For the beginners, it is the first step towards understanding the global economy, discovering the challenges of the marketplace and identifying themselves with a career that provides them with tremendous opportunities, both within the country and abroad.

## Step-by-Step

An admission to a bachelor's program in banking requires a good percentage in Class XII. You would require at least 80% overall to get admitted to a good college.

Besides, the skills expected from students to clear the interview include good communication skills, aptitude for banking, sales, marketing, and money matters. If you are an enthusiast who loves trading in stocks, mutual funds, hedge funds and understands the pros and cons of availing personal loans and insurance policies, then it only adds to your career prospects.

It is recommended that you start preparing for CAT (Common Aptitude Test) right from college( during your graduation) onwards so that you are ready and fully prepared to clear the entrance tests and get into a top b-school heading towards an excellent career in banking.

- · Advanced Management Program In Banking & Finance
- · Advanced Diploma In Financial Accounting & Taxation
- · Advanced Diploma In Banking, Finance, and Insurance
- · Advanced Certification In Capital Market

There some other courses either offered through a diploma or certificate examinations which can only be pursued by an individual with a relevant banking experience.

There are few B.Com courses where you can take Banking and Finance courses as specializations:

- B Com (Honours In Accounting And Finance)
- B Com (E-Com)
- · B.Com. Bank Management
- · B.Com. Banking (Hons)
- · B.Com. Banking and Finance

Some of its specialized fields are: -

- · Insurance
- · Investments
- · Derivatives
- Risk Management
- Capital Markets

- Corporate Finance
- · Commodities Market
- · Real Estate Finance
- · Fixed Income Securities
- · International Finance
- · Alternative Investments
- Portfolio & Security Analysis

For instance, broadly, the bachelor's degree program in Banking and Insurance offers specialization in the following areas:

- Environment and Management of Financial Services
- Micro Economics
- Effective Banking Communication
- Quantitative Techniques in Banking
- Taxation of Financial Services
- Laws relating to Banking & Insurance
- Cost Accounting of B&I Services
- Equity Debt
- Corporate Laws governing Capital Markets
- International Business Management in Banking Organizations
- HRM in Banking Organizations
- Strategic Planning in Banking organizations

## Start Early

Banking is a career that offers opportunities to students from all streams, be it humanities, commerce or science. However, to make a career in banking, you must be good at analyzing numbers, that is, your mathematics must be strong enough to interpret and analyze numerical data. You must be prepared for the Banking Entrance Exams and for the interviews that follow these entrance examinations.

List of Courses offered in Investment Banking:

- · Diploma in Investment Banking and Equity Research
- · MBA in Investment Banking
- PG Programme in Security Analysis, Portfolio Management & Investment Banking
- · UG Programme in Security Analysis, Portfolio Management & Investment Banking
- · BA in Finance & Investment Banking
- PG Diploma in Banking & Finance
- Post Graduate Diploma in Investment & Business Research
- · Post Graduate Diploma in Global Investment

## Career options

- Security Analysts
- Foreign Exchange Trader
- · Bank Manager
- Financial Analysts
- · Financial Advisor
- · Research Analysts
- Equity Researcher
- · Investment Banking Analysts
- Sales Manager