MSc Financial Management (Blended Learning)

The course caters to the training needs of professionals around the world, whether you’re looking to enhance your skills in financial management, or make a career change in this area. Successful finance practitioners require a wide range of transferable skills and subject specific knowledge in areas such as corporate finance, financial markets and financial accounting. This MSc comprises foundational units in finance and accounting alongside advanced units such as financial management, financial markets, private equity. You will also have the opportunity to partake in workshops at one of our International Centres each semester. It has been designed in a flexible format, supporting those who work in industry or seeking a career in finance, allowing you to balance existing commitments with studying a Master’s at The University of Manchester.

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September

2-5 year part-time MSc

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Flexible format
Transform your career while you continue working
WHAT YOU WILL STUDY

You can expect to study units covering topics such as:

FOUNDATIONS OF ACCOUNTING
Introduction to accounting
Accounting conventions and techniques to support organisational decision-making
Foundations and principles of management accounting
Foundations and principles of financial accounting

INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT
Principles underlying financial decision-making by multinational corporations
Foreign direct investment decisions
Foreign exchange risk and hedging techniques
Political risk measurement and management

FOUNDATIONS OF FINANCE
Introduction to finance
Time value of money and asset valuation
Cost of capital and capital budgeting techniques to select investment projects
Relationship between risk and return

QUANTITATIVE METHODS FOR FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT
Sophisticated statistical tools for finance practitioners
Analysis of time series data
Forecasts based on time series models
Empirical interactions between stock returns, exchange rates and other variables

CORPORATE FINANCE
Introduction to corporate finance
Cost of capital estimation and advanced capital budgeting techniques
Dividend policy and firm value

VENTURE CAPITAL AND PRIVATE EQUITY
Introduction to venture capital and private equity
Fund raising activities by private equity investors
Identification of capital investment opportunities and capital allocation
Management of investments to maximise returns

GLOBAL FINANCIAL MARKETS AND INSTITUTIONS
Overview of the global financial system
Interest rates and securities markets
Banking and financial regulation, investment banking and private equity
Risk management and hedging strategies

BUSINESS MODELS AND FINANCIAL STRATEGY
Approaches and concepts in corporate strategy and entrepreneurial finance
Evaluation of alternative business models to create and capture value
Short- and long-term financial decisions over the lifecycle of the firm
Fintech and other innovative sources of finance

DATA ANALYSIS AND STATISTICAL TECHNIQUES
Basic statistical techniques to analyse financial data
Basic econometric tools to estimate relationships between variables

GROUP PROJECT
Independent project working in a group
Identification of topic to study and formulation of plan to collect information and data on the topic
Selection of suitable methods and analysis of information
Dissemination of the results of the study

YOUR PROGRAMME DIRECTOR Amedeo De Cesari

“Business decision-making has become more complex over recent decades, owing to global, long-term phenomena such as globalisation, international trade and technological innovation. Financial managers need to rise up to this challenge and equip themselves with rigorous knowledge and effective skills to make well-informed decisions and understand financial markets. The MSc in Financial Management aims to offer the notions and skills that today’s managers require, and provides a starting point for a successful career in finance.”

NEXT STEPS

Please contact us to find out more or arrange a personal consultation with an academic on the course.

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