Geneva

Master of Advanced Studies in Finance (GEMFIN)

2 intakes per year: September and February

FULL-TIME: 9 Months | PART-TIME: up to 29 Months
Direction

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Audience

Graduates with bachelor’s degree in business or finance. The programme also suits professionals with engineering or scientific background who wish to transit into a career in finance.
The GEMFIN takes place in Geneva, one of the world’s leading financial centres. It is offered by the Geneva Finance Research Institute, which is recognized globally as a world leader in finance research.

Our unique and innovative programme exposes participants to the most exciting developments in finance, including private equity, real estate investment, sustainable finance, mergers and acquisitions, neurofinance, and fintech.

It is a highly personalised and customisable, full- or part-time degree that can be tailored to suit personal career goals and current commitments.

The GEMFIN is an intellectually rigorous programme, accredited by the CFA Institute and CAIA.

Objectives

- Gain the analytical rigor needed for leadership positions in finance
- Learn to apply advanced quantitative methods used in the financial industry
- Acquire technological competencies to manage portfolios in the fintech context
- Strengthen teamwork and project management skills
- Develop a professional network to share knowledge and expertise all from around the world
Learning Outcomes

- Develop advanced technical and quantitative financial skills
- Apply and critically evaluate investment and corporate finance theories
- Identify, define and analyse complex financial problems and create process to solve them effectively
- Present, justify and defend, orally and in writing, financial decisions in complex collaborative contexts involving specialist and non-specialist audiences
- Apply financial solutions using ethical, social, regulatory, economic, sustainability and global perspectives

Learning Methods

- Interactive in-person classes
- Guest talks, meetings with financial executives and company visits
- Workshops and personal coaching
- Boardroom Simulation Game and Leadership Retreat in the Swiss Alps
- Holistic and interdisciplinary professional development programme
Programme Structure

- 10 modules: 3 core modules, 1 experiential learning capstone project and 6 electives that participants choose from a selection of 30 electives
- 60 ECTS credits, 1,800 teaching hours
- Participants can choose to study either full-time or part-time

Assessment

Exams, case studies, presentations, teamwork, home assignments, quizzes

Course Project

The GEMFIN capstone project is an intensive boardroom simulation game designed to test participants’ ability to solve real-world complex financial problems. Mentored by volunteer senior financial professionals, participant teams work to solve a case study based on a real event, culminating and integrating material and skills acquired throughout the programme. To conclude the project, teams present their solutions to a panel of judges.

Diploma Awarded

The Geneva Master of Advanced Studies in Finance is an executive education programme of the University of Geneva, recognized by the Swiss Confederation as a Master of Advanced Studies in Finance.
Practical Information

Admission Criteria
- Undergraduate degree or higher or CFA Level III charterholders
- Strong analytical abilities
- Working knowledge of English
- One year of work experience recommended

Application and Deadline
- Rolling admission (continuous)
- We advise international candidates to submit the application as early as possible, to allow sufficient time for visa application processing

Number of participants: 25

Modality
PDF to fill in, available on the programme website
www.unige.ch/formcont/cours/gemfin

Fees
- CHF 42,000.-
- Scholarships are available

Location
University of Geneva

Schedule
A blend of weekday courses and weekend blocks on Friday-Saturday

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www.unige.ch/formcont/cours/gemfin
Partners

Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) Institute

Chartered Alternative Investment Analyst (CAIA)

Centre de droit bancaire et financier (CDBF), Faculty of Law, University of Geneva