Master of Financial Analysis
One year masters degree towards CFA

Rutgers Business School (RBS) is launching a new Master of Financial Analysis (MFinA) degree which will make Rutgers one of only 10 CFA Institute Partner Schools to offer a one-year masters degree that helps prepare students to take the CFA exam.

Founded in 1766, Rutgers is the 8th oldest University in the United States and one of nine Colonial Colleges that include Harvard, Yale, Princeton, and Columbia. When you come to Rutgers, you will benefit from this tradition of academic excellence as well as enjoy our historic campus only 70 kilometers from New York City.

CFA Exam Preparation

CFA exams are given only in English, the worldwide language of business. The MFinA is designed to not only prepare students academically, but also to provide a way for students to improve their English proficiency. By taking a summer intensive English-language program provided by the Program in American Language Studies (PALS), students should have a broader understanding of the English language making it more likely that they will perform better in finance classes as well as on the CFA exams.

Instructors from the New York Society of Securities Analysts (NYSSA) will teach a four-day intensive CFA review session at our campus in late May (between spring finals and the early June CFA Level 1 exam). NYSSA is the largest and one of the oldest member societies of the CFA Institute. All instructors are CFA charter holders with years of experience preparing students to take the CFA exams.

Rutgers Business School's new $85 million facility on the Livingston Campus in New Brunswick, was named one the “50 Most Beautiful Business Schools in the World,” by Top Management Degrees, ranking #19.
Curriculum

The Master of Financial Analysis (MFinA) degree is a 33 credit lock-step program, meaning all students take the same set of academic classes. Classes begin on July 9 with a 6 week (2 meetings per week) financial accounting class. Following this summer session, students will take five courses in the Fall and five courses in the Spring.

Sampling of Courses

Aggregate Economic Analysis
Data Analysis and Decisions
Financial Management
Investment Analysis and Management
Managerial Economic Analysis
Analysis of Fixed Income Securities
Derivatives
Financial Statement Analysis
Fundamentals of Real Estate
Portfolio Management

Admissions

We seek a diverse student body to bring varying experiences and backgrounds to the classroom. Admission decisions are based on the applicant's previous coursework (including the number of quantitative classes the applicant has taken and how well the applicant did in those classes), a high level of performance on the GRE or GMAT and TOEFL iBT®. Applicants must have completed at least one semester of calculus, as well as upper level probability and statistics.

Neither prior work experience nor a previous degree in finance is necessary. However, the academic backgrounds that best prepare for this program include degrees in mathematics, sciences, engineering, economics, management, etc.

Students are admitted for the term beginning early July only and the application deadline is March 15 or until class is full. Priority consideration is given to early applicants for the MFinA Scholarship which is given based on merit.

Learn more at: business.rutgers.edu/mfina. Apply today!

Rutgers students dominant in New York Regional Finals of CFA Institute’s Global Investment Research Challenge


The CFA Institute Research Challenge calls for teams to research and report on a publicly-traded company and give a “buy” or “sell” rating and then back up the recommendation with detailed analysis.

RBS has distinguished itself in the competition by conducting intensive field research and presenting with conviction. One Wall Street panelist judging the competition congratulated RBS by declaring, “Rutgers is creating a dynasty.”

John Longo, the team’s faculty advisor and professor of finance and economics, believes “this proves that Rutgers is among the top business schools in the country.”