

2021 Employment Report Master of Science in Financial Economics

The MS in Financial Economics is a two-year program that provides academically distinguished and industry-oriented students with rigorous training in finance and economics through a carefully constructed curriculum of PhD and MBA courses

The program provides students with the quantitative and theoretical tools for a successful career in finance with employers such as investment and commercial banks, economic and financial asset management companies, consulting firms, and policy-oriented organizations.



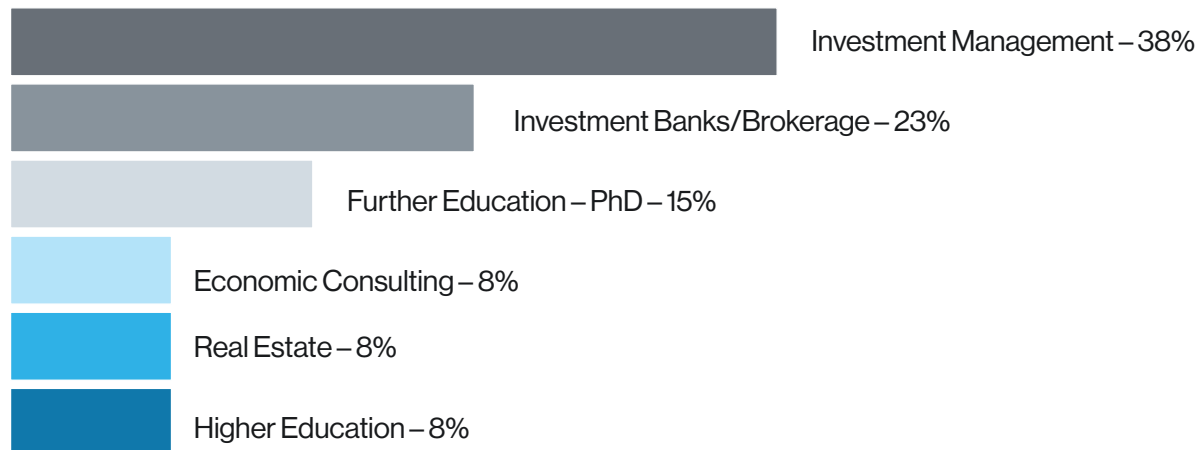
Class Profile	Class of 2021	Class of 2022
Class Size	16	18
Acceptance Rate	8%	8%
Average Years of Work Experience	1.84	0.5
Average GRE (Quantitative) %*	168	168

*Financial Economics students primarily take the GRE

Employment Statistics	Graduates Class of 2021	Interns Class of 2022
Students Seeking Employment		
Accepted Offers	11	17
Searching; Evaluating Offers	1	
Continuing Education – PhD Programs	2	
No Recent Information	2	1

Employment Breakdown by Region/Country	Graduates Class of 2021	Interns Class of 2022
North America		
USA	9	15
Europe		
United Kingdom	1	
Spain		1
Asia		
Mainland China	3	
Hong Kong		1

Where Have Our Graduates Gone?*



*Data reflects students who reported employment information. Does not include students who have not reported their status to date.

2021 Employers*

Full-Time

AlphaSimplex
 Arrowstreet Capital
 Barclays
 Citi
 Compass Lexecon
 Goldman Sachs²
 Guotai Junan Securities
 Highfort Investment
 Kepos Capital
 Oceanpine Capital
 The Wharton School

Summer Internship

Amazon
 Bank of America
 BBVA
 BNY Mellon¹
 Columbia Business School
 Franklin Templeton
 Grantham, Mayo & Van Otterloo
 JP Morgan Chase & Co
 KBRA
 Morgan Stanley
 NERA Economic Consulting
 Sunrise Brokers
 UBS

Select Job Titles*

Full-Time

Analyst
 Asset Allocation Analyst
 Associate
 Investment Analyst
 Junior Research Scientist
 Quantitative Research Analyst
 Research Assistant
 Researcher
 Sales & Trading Analyst

Summer Internship

Analytics Intern
 Dean's Summer Fellow
 Equity Derivatives Intern
 Finance Leadership Development Program
 Institutional Equity Summer Analyst
 Macro/Equity Analyst Intern
 Portfolio Scenario Analysis
 Quantitative Strategy Summer Associate
 Quantitative Summer Associate

Research Analyst Intern
 Summer Analyst – Global Banking
 Summer Associate – Asset Servicing & Digital
 Summer Management Associate Intern
 Systemic Fixed Income Strategy Intern

PhD Programs

Columbia Business School
 University of Chicago

1 Hired two or more students 2 Internship conversion

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Student Testimonials

“The rigor of the MSFE program is unmatched. Having a core curriculum of PhD classes helped me to further develop my critical thinking and analytical skills, and I enjoyed the small class size which allowed me to get to know my professors. The faculty take an interest in the MS students and this, along with the support and guidance from the Career Center, helped me to obtain a summer internship with Compass Lexecon and an off-cycle internship with BAML. Being in New York City is a massive benefit, as you can interact with people in the industry on a consistent basis and take part in internships beyond the summer break.”

Internship: Intern, Securities & Financial Markets | Compass Lexecon

Current Employer: Associate, Scientific Implementation Group | Bank of America Merrill Lynch

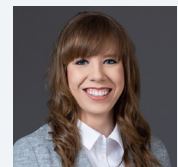


Tara Philip '17

“When I decided to attend graduate school, Columbia’s MSFE program was the only degree that fit my specifications. The MSFE curriculum’s focus on PhD coursework at one of the nation’s top programs provided an invaluable framework for my theoretical understanding of finance. Specifically, the second-year asset pricing courses were critical for my understanding of market pricing, expected return, and risk decomposition. But, regardless of whether potential candidates are most interested in asset pricing, corporate finance, bank regulation, or market function, you’ll leave the program having learned about each of these topics from leaders in every field. The program’s coursework, world-class faculty, dedicated Career Management Center, and internship opportunities in New York City combine to provide an unparalleled education for those interested in launching their finance careers.”

Internship: Global Markets Intern Associate | Bank of America

Current Employer: Associate, Investment Strategy | The Blackstone Group



Caitlin Walsh '20

About the Career Management Center

The Career Management Center (CMC) at Columbia Business School works with students to develop lifelong career management skills and empowers them to leverage the Columbia Business School network. The small size of the specialized MS in Financial Economics program allows the CMC to tailor resources and opportunities for their specific experiences and skillsets.

The CMC also works with hiring organizations across the public, private, and nonprofit sectors – internationally and domestically – providing customized resume databases and opportunities for job postings and on-campus events.

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gsb.columbia.edu/jobpost

Recruiters’ website
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