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Cert. FA International Accreditation Annoucement



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The Institute of Banking and Finance of Trinidad and Tobago (IBF) is pleased to announce to our readers that our Professional Certificate for Financial Advisors Programme (Cert. FA) has been internationally accredited by the Chartered Banker Institute (CBI) in the United Kingdom.

CBI is the was established in 1875 "to improve the qualifications of those engaged in Banking and to raise their status and influence". It is the oldest banking institute in the world, and is the only organization in the world approved by the UK's Privy Council to award the "Chartered Banker" designation.

The Cert. FA is a self-study programme which is geared towards equipping finance professionals with knowledge and skills necessary to provide sound financial advice to clients. The programme also places emphasis on the importance of Finance Ethics.

Our Examiners and Moderators are industry professionals who work with us to ensure the programme's continued high auality and integrity.

Over 1000 graduates have successfully matriculated through the programme and completed one or more of the three (3) specializations offered in the Cert. FA (Banking, Mutual Funds and Securities). This international accreditation by the Chartered Banker Institute allows for portability of the qualification. Students in any country can complete Cert. FA and benefit from its global recognition. The Cert. FA has also been locally accredited by the Accreditation Council of Trinidad and Tobago (ACTT) since 2011.

IBF is committed to our Mission "to facilitate the continuous development of banking and finance professionals and to promote high standards of knowledge, skills and conduct to meet the high demands of a changing financial industry."

A word from the Chartered Banker Institute



The Chartered Banker Institute is based in the United Kingdom, is the oldest banking institute in the world. The Institute enjoys our strong collaboration with the Institute of Banking and Finance of Trinidad and Tobago – the IBF - who offer a range of internationally recognized and benchmarked programmes, including the Certified Credit Professional, Certified International Risk Manager, the Chartered Banker MBA and the Chartered Banker by Experience programmes. We are delighted to accredit another of IBF's programmes; the Professional Certificate for Financial Advisors, and confirm its status as

meeting internationally recognised standards of best practice. Obtaining Chartered Banker Accredited Programme status confirms the quality, robustness and effectiveness of the programme. For students, it also aids the visibility and transferability of the qualification achieved. We wish you, the Cert. FA students the very best with your studies, and hope that you enjoy the learning journey as part of your personal professional development, and we are delighted that you are joining us in our combined commitment to promoting a socially purposeful, ethical and responsible industry.



Ms. Valerie Bauckham, Global Business Partner. Chartered Banker Institute



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Cert. FA Graduate Testimonials

66 I was elated when I completed the Cert. FA Programme with IBF with specializations in Mutual Funds and Securities. This programme was thoroughly enjoyable and very informative. Materials were easy to read and well structured and I was able to gain greater insight into the local finance and securities market. Specifically; financial laws, tax procedures, retirement & estate planning, derivatives and pension plan structures. What I really enjoyed about the courses, and what sets it apart from many others, is the constant demand for intense analytical thinking. This allowed me to apply critical thinking to effectively formulate comprehensive road maps to achieve my clients' financial goals. In addition, the structure of the program makes it easy to manage alongside other commitments (job, school, life). The staff at the Institute of Banking and Finance was extremely responsive to student questions and needs. After graduating, I enrolled in a few other workshops at the institute that were very rewarding. I highly recommend this course to anyone who would like to gain or improve their knowledge and understanding of the financial markets. 99



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The Cert. FA programme is one that I would recommend to anyone seeking professional development in the finance sector or for individuals who have a keen interest in making better financial decisions. I quickly realized that whilst the programme was enhancing my technical and analytical skills at work it was also impacting my personal life decisions. The programme is designed to drive you to focus on key areas that are often overlooked. The greatest takeaway from the programme was not only the enhancement of my performance at work but the ability to apply the information to my personal life and that of those close to me especially in these difficult times.

I completed the Cert. FA Programme many years ago and I have to let you know that it was an interesting and rewarding experience. It enabled me to have discussions with clients at a slightly higher level than what I would have had in the past as I am in the business of providing financial advice. This in turn instilled a certain amount of confidence and trust in the client. I encourage anyone who is in the business of financial advice, whether in banking, insurance or investments, that you complete this programme. It is fairly easy to complete as there are classes that you can attend however, I worked on my own as it is a self-study programme for the most part. I can guarantee you would certainly benefit in terms of your personal, professional and more so your career development.



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Here's how to register for IBF's Professional Certificate for Financial Advisors (Cert. FA) Programme



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Chartered Banker

An internationally accredited self-study programme that equips finance professionals with the necessary skills required to provide sound financial advice to clients.

Become specialized in one of these three (3) fields

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Ideal for busy professionals!

REGISTER FOR THE 2022 EXAMINATION SITTING: SEPTEMBER 17, 2022

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, JULY 22, 2022

The administration of all courses and examinations is compliant with COVID-19 safety guidelines.





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Access to the relevant registration and application forms can be found here:

https://ibf.org.tt/programmes/certificate-for-financial-advisors/

Cert. FA Graduates over the years

Graduates of the Cert. FA Programme are working professionals who come from diverse backgrounds both locally and regionally. Knowledge acquired from the subject matter can be applied professionally as well as in one's own personal life.













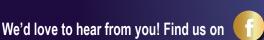






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