

Diploma in Corporate Finance

Autumn 2024

A portrait of a woman with blonde hair and glasses, smiling. She is wearing a dark blazer over a dark top. The background is blurred, showing what appears to be an office setting with windows.

**ASSESS AND
ADVISE ON
INVESTMENT
DECISIONS**

PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

In Corporate Finance, what separates success and failure is sharp judgment, the ability to see an opportunity, to minimise risk and make timely and decisive decisions.

Taking this diploma will help you develop technical skills, knowledge and best practice technique in financial analysis, investment appraisal, financing decisions, corporate valuation, M&A transactions and maximising shareholder value.

WHAT IS THE DIPLOMA IN CORPORATE FINANCE?

The Diploma in Corporate Finance will give you:

- a well-grounded foundation in the theory of corporate finance
- tools, checklists and spreadsheet models that can be used in practice
- Irish and international case studies

WHO TAKES THE DIPLOMA IN CORPORATE FINANCE?

The course is designed for business and finance professionals either working in or aspiring to work in corporate finance. It is ideal for those involved in business financing, valuation and analysis.

The programme also enables experienced corporate financiers to gain formal recognition for their existing skills and expertise in the field.

WHY TAKE THE DIPLOMA IN CORPORATE FINANCE?

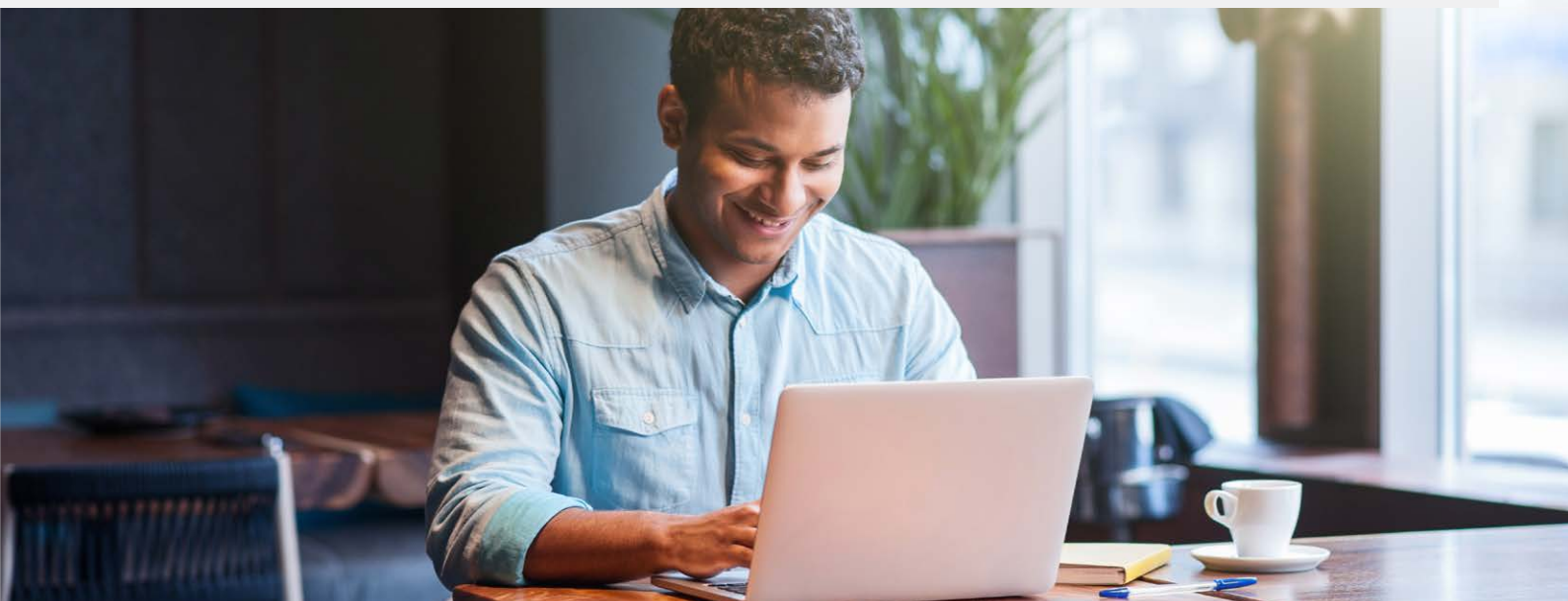
During the course, you will build a powerful set of skills which will enable you to assess and advise on investment decisions, project financing, corporate valuation and acquisition/divestment decisions.

It will sharpen your critical commercial acumen, shifting value and influence to the top of the business. The course takes an applied approach, drawing on real life case studies.

CONTENT OVERVIEW

Module 1 Financial Analysis, Financial Mathematics and Risk Part 1 - Tue 1 Oct Part 2 - Thu 3 Oct	Additional Module Financial Modelling <i>(This module is not assessed)</i> Tue 15 Oct	Module 2 Investment Decisions Part 1 - Tue 5 Nov Part 2 - Thu 7 Nov
Assignment 1  <i>Support Webinar: Wed 13 Nov</i> Assignment release: Fri 8 Nov Assignment due: Mon 9 Dec	Module 3 Financing and Treasury Decisions Part 1 - Tue 10 Dec Part 2 - Thu 12 Dec	Module 4 Valuation and Capital Markets Part 1 - Tue 7 Jan, 2025 Part 2 - Thu 9 Jan, 2025
Assignment 2  <i>Support Webinar: Wed 15 Jan</i> Assignment release: Fri 10 Jan, 2025 Assignment due: Mon 10 Feb, 2025	Module 5 Corporate Transactions Part 1 - Tue 18 March, 2025 Part 2 - Thu 20 March, 2025	Additional Module Negotiation Skills <i>(This module is not assessed)</i> Wed 19 Mar, 2025
Module 6 Business Restructuring Part 1 - Tue 22 Apr, 2025 Part 2 - Thu 24 Apr, 2025	Assignment 3  <i>Support Webinar: Wed 30 Apr, 2025</i> Assignment release: Fri 25 Apr, 2025 Assignment due: Mon 26 May, 2025	

Participants consistently tell us that they spend on average 10 hours per module and approximately a further 15 hours per assignment. It should be noted that this is an average and a guideline.



HOW YOU STUDY

The Diploma in Corporate Finance is delivered through a blend of distance learning, self-study and online webinars. Online sessions and programme assessments are all conducted through a virtual learning environment.

Our learning management platform Moodle will host all your course materials and activities, such as links to the pre-recorded videos, course notes and slides, links to your live webinar session, and information on your lecturers and timetable. This platform also allows you to network and share your questions and experiences with your fellow participants.

Your course material consists of a mix of comprehensive manuals, PowerPoint slides, study guides and other support material for each module. Material is released on scheduled dates including pre-recorded videos for each module. Participants will have one week to review and absorb material before the live session with the course lecture.

Each module will be supported by one live webinar, which will be streamed live and recorded using Zoom, a cloud-based app that works on any device. The live sessions will provide you with guidance needed to successfully approach each module followed by some time for questions and answers.

HOW YOU ARE ASSESSED

The programme is assessed through three practically focused home assignments. The first assignment will be released after Module 2, the second assignment will be released after Module 4, and the third will be released after Module 6.

- 25% for Assignment 1
- 25% for Assignment 2
- 50% for Assignment 3

Please note participants must achieve 50% or above in the assignments to be eligible for the award of Diploma. Pass mark is set at 50% with distinction achieved at 70%.

ACCREDITATIONS AND DESIGNATIONS

Chartered Accountants Ireland/ICAS members will be awarded a Diploma in Corporate Finance from Chartered Accountants Ireland under the '1966 ICAI Charter Amendment Act'. Others will be awarded the Diploma in Corporate Finance by Chartered Accountants Ireland Executive Education DAC.

CAN I USE THE COURSE TOWARDS MY CPD HOURS?

This programme offers structured and unstructured CPD hours contact time. The exact number of hours that can be claimed as CPD will vary for each individual depending on time expended and the requirements of their professional body.

ENTRY CRITERIA AND ELIGIBILITY

This programme has been designed to meet the needs of business and finance professionals, including accountants. Applications are welcomed from:

- Members of Chartered Accountants Ireland or another recognised professional body
e. g. ICAS, ACCA, CIMA, CPA, and ICAEW
- Holders of a degree at Level 8 (on the NFQ) or equivalent qualification
- Those with relevant experience in finance, business or another field

See our website for full details on eligibility rules.

APPLICATIONS AND FEES

	Member of Chartered Accountants Ireland or ICAS	Other Professional
Programme Fee	€2,995 £2,595	€3,295 £2,765

Participants who have completed any diploma or certificate programme with the Institute are eligible for a 10% discount. Multiple bookings by a single employer will qualify for a discount of 10% for the second and subsequent booking.



DIPLOMA IN CORPORATE FINANCE APPLICATION FORM

Please complete and return to:

Diploma Team, Chartered Accountants House, 47-49 Pearse Street, Dublin 2

Tel: + 353 (01) 637 7211 Email: diplomas@charteredaccountants.ie

Name

Company/Firm Name

Email address/Contact number

Membership body

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Chartered Accountants Ireland

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ICAS (Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland)

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Other: (proof of membership will be required)

Chartered Accountants Ireland membership number

If you wish for your firm to be invoiced, please provide the relevant details: contact name/address/PO number

FEE PAYMENT

Members of Chartered Accountants Ireland/ICAS: €2,995 | £2,595

Non-member: €3,295 | £2,765

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I would like to pay by instalments*

I enclose a cheque for €

Or Please charge my Mastercard/Visa Card for €

Credit card no.

Expiry date

Security/CVC code

(last 3 digits of number on reverse of card)

Cardholder signature

Office use only:

* The instalment payment option will allow participants to spread the cost of a diploma over four equal payments, with the first payment being charged at registration, and the remaining payments being charged to a debit/Credit card on agreed dates.

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