

MASTER OF FINANCIAL ANALYSIS NEWSLETTER

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SPRING CLASS SCHEDULE:

- ❖ Portfolio Theory
- ❖ Analysis of Fixed Income
- ❖ Financial Statement Analysis
- ❖ Real Estate Alt. Investments
- ❖ Derivatives

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

1/18/22 – Spring 2022 Classes Begin

1/21/22 – Financial Modeling, Professor Longo (Remote)(Cohort 1)

1/22/22 – SAS Workshop, Professor Weaver (Remote)

2/9/22 – CPT/OPT Workshop (Remote)

2/4/22 – Fin-tech Employer Session

2/7/22 - 2/8/22– RU-NB Mega Fair, Jersey Mikes Arena (RAC)

2/12/22 – Machine Language & AI, Professor Weaver (Remote)

2/18/22 - Financial Modeling, Professor Longo (Remote)(Cohort 1)

2/25/22 – RBS Virtual Career Fair

3/1/22 – Diploma Application for May Graduation Ends

3/12/22 – 3/20/22 – Spring Break

4/1/22 – Fin-tech Employer Info Session

5/2/22 – Spring 2021 Classes End

5/5/22, 5/6/22, 5/9/22, 5/10/22 – CFA Boot Camp

5/15/22 – University Commencement

5/19/22 – RBS Graduate Programs Convocation, NJPAC

May 2022 – CFA Exam – All Levels

(<https://www.cfainstitute.org/en/programs/cfa/exam>)



Office of OISS

Please check the OISS Website for additional information!

<https://myrun.newark.rutgers.edu/oiss>

Offering remote advising via email, phone and virtual appointments

Please send student inquiries to oiss@newark.rutgers.edu

Check all travel advisories and bans for any country here:

<https://travel.site.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html/>

For COVID-19 pandemic related information:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/map-and-travel-notice.html>

Please be advised, you may need to have a plan in place to quarantine for the recommended time upon your arrival and return

Office of International Student & Scholar Services

How to Request a Travel Signature with the OISS

Traveling during the current COVID-19 Pandemic comes with many risks, and while the OISS advises against travel, we wanted to give you a brief reminder of the steps to request a travel signature and proceed with your travel plans safely, if you choose to do so.

Helpful tips:

- Travel signatures are only valid for one year while you are an F-1 student and six months while on OPT and STEM OPT. If you already have a travel signature on your I-20, make sure that it will be valid for the entire time you wish to travel.
- If you have submitted an application to USCIS for OPT or STEM OPT, and you are in your grace period, you should not plan to re-enter the U.S., without having your receipt notice or your EAD card. You may be denied entry.
- Make sure to carry all important travel documents on you and not in a checked bag.

Requesting a new travel signature through RGlobal portal:

1. Log into RGlobal Portal.
2. Select “Travel Signature I-20 Request” and enter the E-form information requested.
 - a. Passport & Visa expiration date
 - b. Current U.S. address & phone number
 - c. Explain primary purpose for travel
 - d. Expected departure & return dates
 - e. Indicate if you are on OPT & if you have an OPT application submitted & are awaiting an EAD card
 - f. Complete two acknowledgement statements
3. Submit your form.
4. Wait for your request to be reviewed, approved or denied (This process can take 3-5 business days).
5. Once approved, you will obtain an endorsed I-20 with a travel signature via email. Please print, sign and date your new document and bring with you on your travels.

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Student Information

HEAR FROM MFINA ALUMNI



<https://youtu.be/wZkfsDrRI18>



<https://youtu.be/pG-04UN-vJw>



Steps to Obtain a Social Security Number:

If you need to obtain a social security number, the OISS has confirmed temporary SSN application procedures for Rutgers-N students.

1. Students should visit the following link and enter their current zip code to locate their Social Security field office:
<https://secure.ssa.gov/ICON/main.jsp>.
2. Reach out to field office directly by calling to see how to best manage your social security application.
3. Must complete a Social Security Application Packet which include:
 - Hard copy of completed SSN application
 - Original valid passport with F-1 visa
 - Printed I-94 record
 - Original I-20 documents (both current & previous)
 - Employment offer letter and OISS letter of support, signed by Designated School Official

WHAT IS SIBE?

Summer Intensive Business English



Meet Sami Elmansoury, President of Precision Learning

Learn what SIBE offers the MFinA students.

<https://rutgers.box.com/s/ilraieqtwbnq4dvunrxfmyf661az898l>

Class Presidents AY 20-21



Qasim Shaikh
President,
Cohort 1

Hear from MFinA Cohort 1 and Cohort 2 Presidents

"Through the course of the Master of Financial Analysis program, students are preparing for a journey that will end in them receiving their diploma and sitting for Level 1 of the CFA exam. While preparing for this exam is often a daunting task for most, the material taught in the classrooms of Rutgers Business School provides students the ability to feel confident in their knowledge before sitting for this exam. However, the program does a great job of making sure students receive supplemental information outside of the classroom through various workshops to help them better prepare for the exam. These workshops, held over the course of the semester outside of class times, have been vital in providing students with extra information that will better prepare them for the exam and their careers. The workshops, including programming, equity research, and data analysis, all provide students with information that is beneficial to their success in the industry. Aside from these workshops, Career Counseling Officer John Renaldo frequently organizes networking events and workshops for students to meet successful alumni, allowing students to deepen their relationships in the industry and learn more about what it truly takes to become successful in their field. Whether the workshop is based on polishing your resume and cover letter or a networking event from alumni within a specific firm, students receive the tools necessary for success outside of the classroom. Although these workshops take place outside of regular class hours, students are always looking forward to attending them because they are aware of the immense value they bring to their education and their potential future careers."

Qasim Shaikh, Cohort 1 President



Connor D'ilio
President,
Cohort 2

"The Masters of Financial Analysis program streamlines CFA exam prep and the necessary supplemental resources to score within the highest bracket when taking the Level I Chartered Financial Analyst exam upon graduating. This program does an excellent job in offering a wide variety of workshops that range from creating strong resumes and learning coding programs all the way down to interpreting data analytics and providing guidance in navigating post graduate job searches. From my experience, I took the most out of the R Coding Workshop taught by Dr. Ozair. Learning more about software that fuses Finance and Tech together opened the door to different jobs in the industry that I had never thought of prior to being a MFINA student.

Moreover, Career Counseling Officer John Renaldo hosted multiple events with MFINA alumni, CFA holders, and notable speakers from financial institutions that has instilled the importance of utilizing my networking skills in my professional endeavors. The countless resources this program has afforded me have bolstered my confidence in knowing I'm a competitive candidate and will be able to attain a gratifying career in the finance industry."

Connor D'ilio, Cohort 2 President

Career Counseling

Behavioral Interview Questions

Office of Career Management

<http://myrbs.business.rutgers.edu/financial-analysis/career-management>

Career Management Tips

1. Your resume is the most important tool in your job search.
2. Have an action-oriented mindset.
3. Network! Network! Network!
4. Embrace continuous learning.
5. YOU own your career management process.



For any career advice, please call or write: John Renaldo
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The RBS Brand of 4R's

The RBS brand of 4R's that highlight the strengths of our students and our academic programs, can also be used to help develop an effective career management game plan.

The first R is about being **RESILIENT** and that begins with taking action – all people who are successful in their job search and their career have one thing in common - they take action! Searching for a job can be a challenging endeavor, and surely you will not be interviewed with each application or receive a job offer after every interview. But the key is to never lose enthusiasm or confidence in spite of any obstacles or setbacks along the way. So being resilient and sticking with your game plan is very important throughout the job hunting process.

The next R stands for being **RESOURCEFUL**. In the pursuit of success in your job search or in your career for that matter, there is not a more useful trait you can possess than being resourceful – to be focused and driven to find a way to get things done! In the job search process, this is best accomplished by placing an emphasis on networking - making new connections with decision-makers - and targeting employers strategically. A resourceful mindset fueled by passion is especially relevant when career goals may seem difficult to achieve at times. In the real world, hiring managers are most impressed with your ability to solve problems and exhibit a positive attitude when faced with adversity. So you want to embody a person who takes initiative and has the ability to solve problems.

The next RBS brand of 4's is about being **RESPONSIBLE** and maintaining a strong work ethic - without a doubt, your career development must be your priority. No one should be more invested in your career than you are – you own the outcome, you own your career! So it's important to hold yourself accountable and be results-oriented. The only way to keep moving forward in your job search is to focus on the results and make adjustments accordingly.

And finally, your ability to **REINVENT** or better yourself throughout your career is essential – this is done by maintaining a continuous learning mindset. This might mean working on your weaknesses – the specific areas that you want to be better at and where you need improvement – by doing things that put you out of your comfort zone and turning those weaknesses into strengths.

To secure interviews and ultimately job offers, it's imperative for each individual to figure out the unique value that they can provide to an employer. Just having the skills and wanting it badly isn't enough – you need to figure out specific ways to stand out and be interesting. By applying the RBS brand of 4R's to your career management game plan, you can better your chances for job hunting success.

RutgersAthletes in MFinA

This academic year the MFinA program has had several Rutgers athletes. Represented athletic programs are Football, Women's Volleyball, Women's Basketball, Men's Lacrosse, and Baseball.

Please see a few quotes from the athletes about the MFinA program.



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For any questions,
please email Cheryl at
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"The MFinA program has been an incredible opportunity for me to continue my education in finance here at Rutgers. This program has really prepared me for a career in finance, and the professors have been extremely helpful and understanding of my participation in Rutgers Athletics as well. Rutgers and the MfinA program are top notch opportunities and I am very grateful to be a part of both of them."

Mitchell Bartolo - RU Athlete

"The MFinA program has been phenomenal thus far, I did not come from a financial background and have still been able to feel very comfortable with the material as the professors have done a great job laying the foundation for us to succeed. In terms of my career, I feel that it has opened many doors that would not have been available without the program. I truly feel that I am ready to hit the ground running once I begin in the workforce."

Ronan Jacoby - RU Athlete



"RU athletics and the MFinA program allowed me to transition career paths as a science undergrad into finance. The resources provided by both the athletic and master's programs have helped tremendously with putting myself on the right track."

Bryant Boswell - RU Athlete



"Being a part of the Rutgers MFinA program has been a worthwhile experience that has allowed me to gain valuable knowledge and insights while preparing for the CFA exam. Along with the ability to gain a high level of education, being a part of the Rutgers men's lacrosse team has been the opportunity of a lifetime."

Toby Burgdorf - RU Athlete