



MSc Financial Economics

A passport to the world of financial markets

Maastricht University, School of Business and Economics





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Today's Agenda

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Programme Structure 2

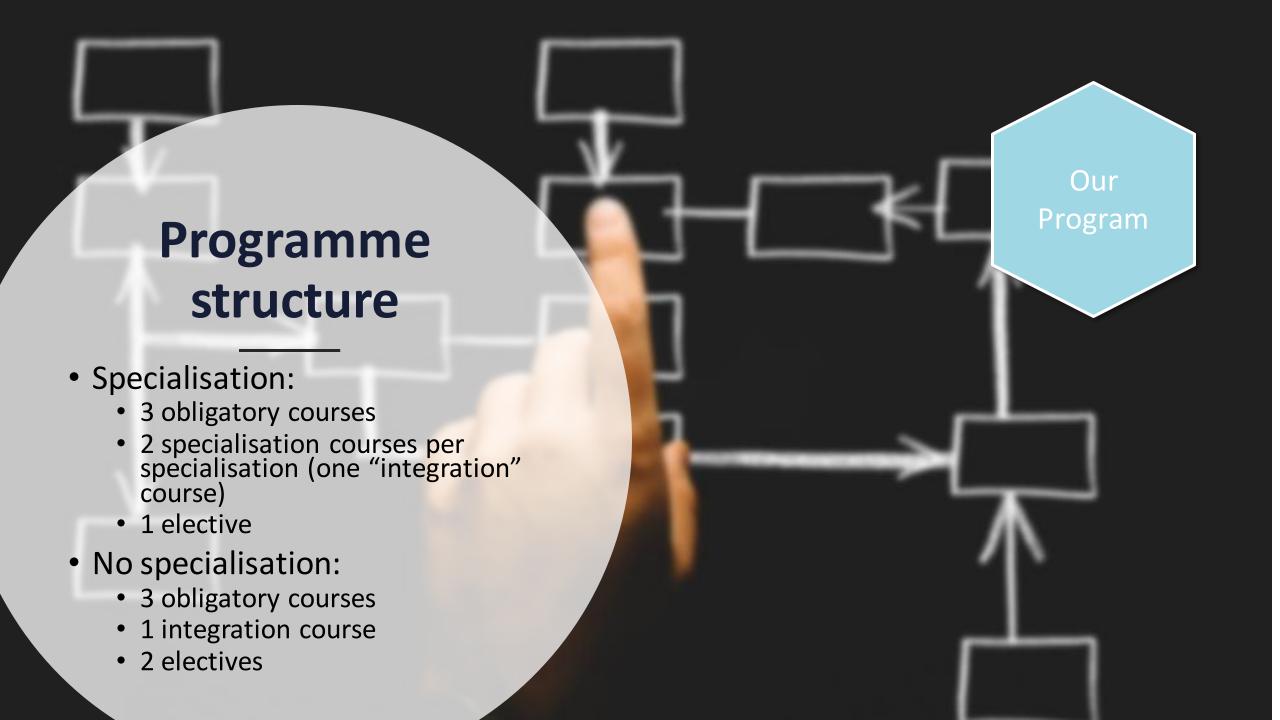
Specialisations

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Student Profile

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What does the future hold?







Period	Asset pricing	
1	ECB and Monetary Policy	Quantitative Techniques for Financial Economics
2	Institutional Investors	Elective
3	Skills training: writing a master's thesis	
4	Fixed Income Management	
5	Empirical Analysis of Financial Markets	Writing the Master's Thesis
6	Completing the master's thesis	





Period	Banking	
1	ECB and Monetary Policy	Quantitative Techniques for Financial Economics
2	Global banking	Elective
3	Skills training: writing a master's thesis	
4	Fixed Income Management	Writing the Master's Thesis
5	Risk Management	vviiting the iviaster's Thesis
6	Completing the master's thesis	





Period	Financial Analysis		
1	ECB and Monetary Policy	Quantitative Techniques for Financial Economics	
2	Accounting for Financial Markets	Elective	
3	Skills training: writing a master's thesis		
4	Fixed Income Management	M/witing the Master's Thesis	
5	Empirical Analysis of Financial Markets	Writing the Master's Thesis	
6	Completing the master's thesis		





Period	No specialisation	
1	ECB and Monetary Policy	Quantitative Techniques for Financial Economics
2	Global Banking*/Elective	Elective
3	Skills training: writing a master's thesis	
4	Fixed Income Management	NA/witing the a NA act and a Theorie
5	Emp. Analysis of Financial Markets*/Elective	Writing the Master's Thesis
6	Completing the master's thesis	

^{*} At least one of the two indicated courses



ECB and Monetary Policy

- What is money and why do we need it? Is money "neutral"?
- "Transmission" channels between monetary /real sphere of the economy and how effective is monetary policy?
- Position, policies of the ECB (including a visit to the ECB)
- Monetary policy has been THE crucial factor in stabilizing the financial system!





Asset Pricing

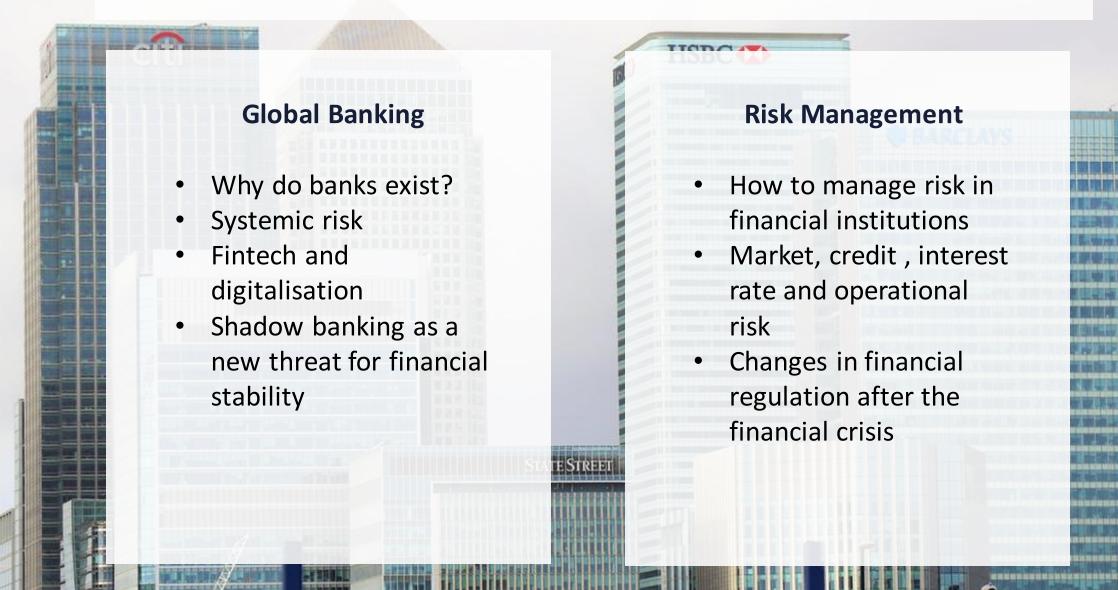
Institutional Investors

- Pension funds, mutual funds, hedge funds
- Asset liability management, strategic asset allocation, shareholder activism and responsible (sustainable) investing

Empirical Analysis of Financial Markets

- Predictability of financial returns with special focus on advances in machine learning and big data.
- Do these enable investors to uncover and exploit new data patterns and thus profitable trading strategies?

Banking

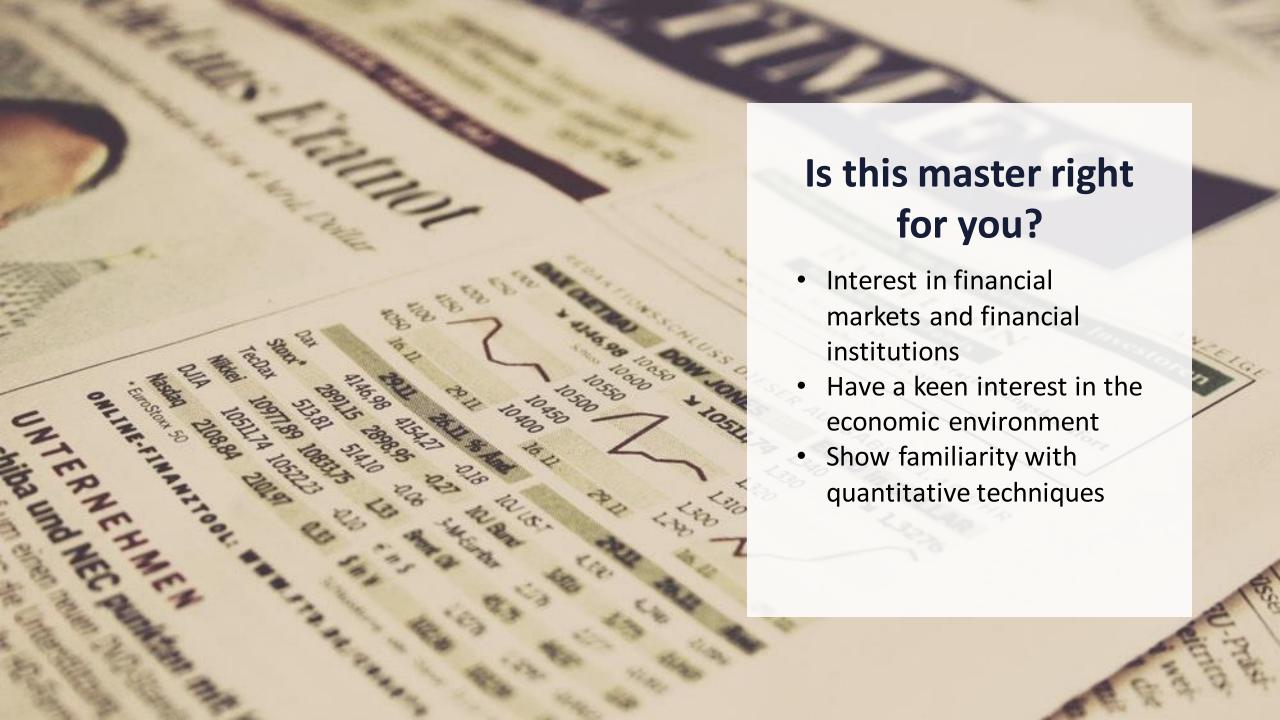


Financial Analysis

 Empirical Analysis of Financial Markets Accounting for Financial Markets









Alumni Careers









Graduates employed in 19 countries

Consultant
Financial Advisor
Statistical
Analyst
CEO



Asset Pricing

Graduates
employed in 6
countries

Credit Risk

Manager

Economist

Financial Analyst

Consultant



Banking

Graduates
employed in 11
countries

Analyst Mergers
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Financial Analysis

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Do you have any questions?
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