

Project partnerships – Connecting you with the Global Finance Leaders of tomorrow

Commission our Masters in Finance students to work on **finance business projects** for you. Access high calibre, finance experts to work on tangible business issues that you seek to address.

Masters in Finance

The London Business School Masters in Finance is a highly specialist postgraduate degree programme for experienced professionals who want to fast-track their careers in finance.

Our Master in Finance students have an average of 6 years' experience within finance. They represent more than 35 different countries and a range of finance functions.

What projects can I commission?

You can present any business issue you wish to address centred around a financial situation, transaction or empirical research. Your company can be of any size or structure – and the project can be macro or micro.

The following selection of projects undertaken by Masters in Finance students illustrate the breadth of topics that have been covered in the past:

- Valuation of Mizuho Financial Group
- Oil price behaviour and option pricing
- Exploring and pricing volatility in inflation derivatives
- Restructuring of the Russian Electric utility sector
- What is driving subprime and ALT – A borrowers to default on their mortgages?
- Performance of bank M&As in Central and Eastern Europe during the recent credit crisis
- How Costly are Stale Prices? - Stale Pricing in Hedge Funds and its Implications for Asset Allocation
- Does the GBP Swaption market follow a SABR model?

Terms of Work

Each project should be around 70 hours work and 5000-7500 words in length. The students may work for you individually or in pairs. Students can begin working on the project anytime but there are three submission deadlines a year (December, April or June). You can agree a different deadline to submit to your organisation should you wish.

There is no mandatory requirement for remuneration, however many organisations do provide compensation as part of the agreement.

Faculty advice

Each project will obtain a suitable faculty member to act as the students' academic supervisor and provide ultimate approval for the project brief prior to commencement. Supervisors usually have academic interest in the project area, and will provide guidance and advice to ensure that all parties involved will gain maximum value from the project. Ultimate responsibility for successful project completion however, lies with the students.

Confidentiality

Project reports will be viewed by the academic supervisor and two other members of faculty during the grading process. Upon project conclusion, reports can be made available for future students. However, if the client deems it necessary, we are able to restrict all or part of the report either permanently or for a specific period. A standard legal agreement will be provided by the School which covers this if needed.

Contact details

If you have any questions or would like to submit a proposal, please contact: mifprogrammeoffice@london.edu

London Business School

London Business School is consistently ranked as one of the world's top business schools and is renowned for its global perspective and its highly effective and international graduates.

Our students benefit from innovative leadership programmes combining academic excellence, opportunity and practical real world experiences.

Our faculties are at the forefront of global business research, creating thought provoking and challenging programmes that attract the best business students from around the world.

"Thank you and to your team from the London Business School for all the hard work that you put into the project of Disaster Recovery Market Opportunities for ExCeL London. We have now had a chance to review your report following your excellent presentation and I would like to confirm that your work has been entirely in accordance with the brief that I set you. I'm pleased to say we will be taking forward your recommendations after further discussions with Sir David Arculus."

Simon Mason, Business Development Director, ExCeL London

"The Credit Cycle is a massive topic, but also massively important in forward-looking risk management. The students have done a fantastic job in researching this topic and delivered a high-quality presentation to a large audience."

Kanwardeep Ahluwalia, Head of EMEA Markets Risk and Deputy CRO for EMEA Bank of America Merrill Lynch

LondonCAP – MBA Strategic Projects

Engage a team of full-time MBA students to work on a cross-functional **strategic project** for your organisation as part of the MBA LondonCAP course. LondonCAP is a **faculty-led, experiential course** that allows MBA students to immerse themselves in strategic projects and tackle business challenges for leading London companies as they apply the learning from their core courses.

Features

LondonCAP project engagements feature the following:

- 10-week projects designed to help organisations address complex, cross-functional business challenges
- Project teams of 4-5 students from one of the world's best MBA programmes that have been assembled to ensure diversity in skills and backgrounds
- Guidance from top LBS faculty members and mentors from Bain & Company

Benefits

The MBA programme at LBS is consistently amongst the world's top-ranked, with a student body known for its diversity and talent. By choosing to participate in the **LondonCAP** course, your organisation will be able to:

- Engage a diverse group of talented MBA students from LBS on a pro bono basis to help address a pressing business challenge
- Benefit from the fresh perspectives of students who are equipped with the latest theories, tools and techniques and guided by top LBS faculty members and alumni mentors

What makes a suitable project?

Projects will typically require students to clarify the scope of work with you; to gather and analyse relevant information; to develop, test and refine possible solutions; and to present their findings and recommendations back to you.

Whilst the scope and focus of each project will be driven by you as the client organisation, all projects will need to meet the following criteria:

- Address a current business problem of strategic importance
- Fit within the set timeframe for the course (mid-February to mid-May 2019)
- Be cross-functional and have sufficient scope to allow project team to draw on the range of their MBA learning and prior professional experience
- Equate to approximately 250 working hours per group (an average of five hours per student each week)

Contact

To learn more about **LondonCAP** and how to get involved, please contact:
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