

# CFA® Review Course 15<sup>th</sup> Series of CFA® Level I - Review Course

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**Exam Focus: May - August 2024** 

The Chartered Financial Analyst® (CFA®) Program is a graduate-level program that provides a strong foundation of the skills and knowledge needed to succeed in today's competitive world of investing and finance. It combines a broad-based curriculum of investment principles with professional conduct requirements. It is administered by CFA Institute (www.cfainstitute.org), the global not-for-profit organization of investment professionals.

## **Global Recognition**

With a six-decade history of maintaining a rigorous focus on globally relevant investment knowledge, the CFA® Program is the most widely known and respected investment credential in the world. It is recognized by the global investment community as the highest educational and professional excellence standard.

## **Career Advantage**

Employers recognize the CFA® charter as the definitive standard of competence, integrity, and dedication of investment professionals. The CFA® Program stands out at every stage of your career and equips you with the practical and fundamental knowledge you need for the investment profession. There is no better way to demonstrate your commitment and your ability to perform at a high level in the investment profession than by enrolling in and completing the CFA® Program.

## **Practical Skills**

The CFA® Program curriculum focuses on the practical knowledge and current skills necessary in the global investment management profession. These skills can be immediately applied on the job and evolve each year to include new tools, ideas, frontier concepts, and lessons to reflect the dynamic and complex nature of the global investment profession.

## **Community**

Earning the CFA® charter places you in the company of an elite group of over 188,000 respected investment professionals. Access to their collective expertise, networks, and resources is an invaluable asset.

## **Hellenic Capital Market Commission & Bank of Greece**

The Hellenic Capital Market Commission and the Bank of Greece - regulators of investment services in Greece - recognize that CFA® charterholders are entitled to the highest certificate of "Securities & Market Analyst" (certificate level " $\delta$ "), without having to sit for the examinations whose curriculum is covered by the CFA Program.<sup>1</sup>

# The CFA® Program

The CFA® Program requires candidates to study for and pass three levels (I, II & III) of exams and meet other requirements, such as 4,000 hours of experience completed in a minimum of 36 months, in order to earn a CFA® charter. Each level of the CFA® Program requires a minimum of 300 hours of personal study, although time will vary based on familiarity with the material. To name a few of those who pursue the CFA® charter: Financial analysts, Securities & Investment managers, Securities & Derivatives traders, Portfolio managers, Financial planners, Relationship officers, Risk managers, Chief Financial Officers of corporations.

## **CFA® Program Entrance Requirements**

You must have a bachelor's (or equivalent) degree or be 23 months or less before your graduation month for your bachelor's degree or equivalent program at the time of registration or have a combination of 4,000 hours of work experience and/or higher education that was acquired over a minimum of three sequential years. You must be prepared to take the exams in English, meet the Professional Conduct Admission Criteria and have a valid international travel passport.

## **CFA Society Greece & Hellenic Banking Institute CFA® Review Course**

CFA Society Greece, in partnership with the Hellenic Banking Institute of the Hellenic Bank Association, offers a CFA® Review Course for level I of the CFA® Study and Examination Program. This Review Course provides candidates with a structured approach to preparing for the exam. Candidates will also have the option to attend the classes virtually. It is designed to assist candidates in mastering the Candidate Body of Knowledge  $^{TM}$  (CBOK  $^{TM}$ ) that is attached.

## **Structured Classroom-based instruction**

Weekly classes provide structure for a disciplined pace of preparation. The focus is on the comprehension of the assigned materials in the Study Guides with an emphasis on the Learning Outcome Statements (LOS). Total class duration amounts to approximately 90 hours, as per the following table:

Class Day	October 2023 (Orientation day)	November 2023	December 2023	January 2024	February 2024	March 2024	April 2024
Saturday	30	4,11,18	2, 9, 16	6,13,20,27	10,17,24	9,30	6,13,20,27

<sup>\*</sup>Saturday classes start at 09:00 a.m. and last for 6 hours in approximation.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> CFA charterholders are exempted from all modules except from the "Capital market regulatory framework".

#### **Supplementary Study Materials Included**

As an extra bonus <u>at no additional charge</u>, the *Schweser Essential Prep Package* (Retail Price: \$699) is provided to all candidates (available for pick-up as soon as shipment arrives), including:

- Schweser (Study) Notes™
- Schweser's QuickSheet™
- SchweserPro<sup>™</sup> QBank (Online)
- Practice Exams, Vol. 1 & Vol. 2
- InstructorLink<sup>™</sup> (partial access)
- Searchable FAQs & Exam-tips Blog
- Online Practice Exams

#### **Practice Tests & Mock Exams**

Two interim practice tests and two final mock exams, which are provided by Schweser, Kaplan and the Boston Society of Security Analysts, will assist candidates in assessing their strengths and weaknesses. These will be held in the context of the continuous monitoring of the candidates' progress throughout the course that will be evaluated on the basis of attendance to classes as well as practice and mock exam scores.

## **Top-notch Instructors**

All sessions will be taught by multiple instructors who have been selected for their subject-matter expertise and excellence. All of them are holders of the CFA® charter and have a long track of professional and / or academic experience in the topics that they teach.

## **Mentoring from CFA charterholders**

As an extra service at no additional charge, all candidates will have the necessary support and guidance from CFA charterholders who have recently excelled in the CFA Program exams who will act as mentors.

#### **Administration**

For registrations and any information requests please refer to the following contact details:

Hellenic Banking Institute
 Mrs. M. Papoutsi tel. 210 33.86.429, email: mpapoutsi@hba.gr

CFA Society Greece email: training@cfa.gr

## **Registration student pack**

Upon registration to the Review Course, all candidates will receive the following:

- i) A detailed timetable of the classes referring to the dates, hours and instructors per topic.
- ii) Information on the calculator models that are authorized for use during CFA exams.
- iii) An outline of the suggested readings and practice questions from the books.

#### **Review Course Fees**

Course Fees: 1.400 €

An "Early booking" discount (10%) applies, if registration and first payment take place until the  $30^{th}$  of September. The CFA® Review Course can be submitted to the relevant OAED program², LAEK 0,06%. For detailed information about our discount policies (<u>special offerings for currently unemployed and students</u>), please contact us.

Registration for the CFA® Review Course does NOT constitute enrollment in the CFA® Exam.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> For more information, you can visit the website: http://www.oaed.gr/

#### **Rules - Disclaimers**

The Review Course does not in any way aim to replace the intensive personal study that is required by the candidates but works as supplementary towards their adequate preparation for the exam. Any study material that will be distributed is used to facilitate the learning process does not constitute a substitute of the CFA® Program reading assignments provided by CFA Institute that comprise the core of study.

Registration in the CFA® Review Course is non-transferable. The CFA Society Greece and the Hellenic Bank Association retain the right to cancel the implementation of the Review Course provided that the number of registrations is not deemed sufficient as well as to modify the class timetable, if needed. Candidates are expected to adhere to the CFA Institute Code of Ethics, Standards of Professional Conduct, and Rules of Procedure for Proceedings Related to Professional Conduct and other conditions, requirements, procedures and policies set forth by the CFA Institute.

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## **LIST OF TOPICS**

# **CFA Candidate Body of Knowledge (CBOK™)**

## I. Ethical and Professional Standards

- A. Professional Standards of Practice
- B. Ethical Practices
- C. Asset Manager Code of Professional Conduct
- D. Presentation of Performance Results (GIPS)

# **II. Quantitative Methods**

- A. Time Value of Money
- B. Data Visualization and Descriptive Statistics
- C. Probability Distributions and Concepts
- D. Sampling and Estimation
- E. Regression Analysis
- F. Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning and Big Data Analysis and Applications
- G. Time-Series Analysis
- H. Simulation Analysis

#### **III. Economics**

- A. Market Forces of Supply and Demand
- B. The Firm and Industry Organization
- C. Business Cycles
- D. Inflation and Deflation
- E. International Trade and Capital Flows
- F. Currency Exchange Rates
- G. Monetary System, Monetary and Fiscal Policy
- H. Economic Growth and Development
- I. Effects of Regulations
- J. Economic Analysis and Setting Capital Market Expectations
- K. Effects of Geopolitics on Economies and Investment Markets
- L. Applications of Economic Indicators in the Investment Process

## **IV. Financial Statement Analysis**

- A. Analysis of Financial Statements
- B. Financial Reporting Quality
- C. Analysis of Off-Balance-Sheet Assets and Liabilities
- D. Analysis of Pensions, Stock Compensation, and Other Employee Benefits
- E. Analysis of Inter-Corporate Investments
- F. Analysis of Business Combinations
- G. Analysis of Global Operations
- H. Building a Company Financial Model
- I. Ratio and Financial Analysis
- J. Financial Analysis of Banks and Insurance Companies

## **V. Corporate Issuers**

- A. Corporate Structures and Strategies
- B. Corporate Ownership and Governance
- C. Risk Factors (including environmental and social)
- D. Corporate Financing Decisions
- E. Corporate Actions, Combinations, and Restructuring

## **VI. Equity Investments**

- A. Types of Equity Securities and Markets
- B. Fundamental Equity Analysis
- C. Valuation of Individual Equity Securities
- D. Equity Market Valuation
- E. Equity Portfolio Management

## VII. Fixed Income

- A. Types of Fixed-Income Securities and Markets
- B. Fundamental Fixed Income Analysis
- C. Term Structure Determination and Yield Spreads
- D. Valuation of Individual Fixed Income Securities
- E. Analysis of Interest Rate Risk
- F. Analysis of Credit Risk
- G. Valuing Bonds with Embedded Options
- H. Structured Products
- I. Fixed-Income Portfolio Management

## **VIII. Derivatives**

- A. Types of Derivative Instruments and Markets
- B. Valuation of Forwards and Futures Contracts
- C. Valuation of Option Contracts
- D. Valuation of Swap Contracts
- E. Uses of Derivatives in Portfolio Management

#### **IX. Alternative Investments**

- A. Types of Alternative Investments
- B. Real Estate
- C. Real Assets (including Infrastructure, Timber and Farm Land)
- D. Private Capital (including Private Equity, Private Credit and Venture Capital)
- E. Hedge Funds
- F. Commodities
- G. Alternative Investments Portfolio Management

## X. Portfolio Management and Wealth Planning

- A. The Investment Policy Statement
- B. Modern Portfolio Management Concepts
- C. Investment Vehicles (including ETFs and Mutual Funds)
- D. Market Efficiency and Passive Investing

- E. Market Indexes
- F. Behavioral Finance
- G. Technical Analysis
- H. Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) Investing
- I. Management of Individual/Family Investor Portfolios
- J. Tax Impact of Investment Decisions
- K. Management of Institutional Investor Portfolios
- L. Investment Manager Selection
- M. Asset Allocation
- N. Portfolio Construction and Revision
- O. Currency Management
- P. Liability Driven Investments (including Asset Liability Management and Goal-Based Investing)
- Q. Risk Management (including environmental risk)
- R. Execution of Portfolio Decisions (including Trading and Market Microstructure)
- S. Performance Attribution and Appraisal

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Συγκεκριμένα, χαρακτηριστικά όπως η εργασιακή εμπειρία, το εκπαιδευτικό υπόβαθρο των συμμετεχόντων και τα ειδικότερα οφέλη που προσδοκούν αυτοί να αποκομίσουν από το εκπαιδευτικό πρόγραμμα συνιστούν καθοριστικούς παράγοντες, που πρέπει να συνεκτιμώνται για την αποτελεσματική προσαρμογή της μεθοδολογίας που θα χρησιμοποιήσουν οι εισηγητές.

Τα παρακάτω στοιχεία είναι απολύτως εμπιστευτικά και θα χρησιμοποιηθούν μόνο από το ΕΤΙ. Οι πληροφορίες αυτές θα βοηθήσουν τους εισηγητές να διαμορφώσουν το κατάλληλο εκπαιδευτικό «μείγμα» που θα μεγιστοποιήσει το δικό σας όφελος.

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	Μονάδα:				
Σημερινά επαγγελματικά καθήκοντα (σύντομη περιγραφή):					
Χρόνια προϋπηρεσίας:					
Προηγούμενες θέσεις εργασίας (εντός ή εκτός τραπεζικού χώρου):					
Σπουδές – ειδικότητες:					
Θέματα σχετικά με το πρόγραμμα που γνωρίζετε με οποιονδήποτε τρόπο (π.χ. εμπειρία, εκπαίδευση, αναγνωστικά ενδιαφέροντα):					
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Θεματικές ενότητες στις οποίες θα επιθυμούσατ εισηγητής:	rε να δώσει μεγαλύτερη έμφαση ο				

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3.Αναφέρετε τους τίτλους σπουδών τριτοβάθμιας εκπαίδευσης που διαθέτετε:						

Παρακαλούμε στείλτε το συμπληρωμένο ερωτηματολόγιο μέχρι τις 15/10/2023 στο e-mail: <a href="mailto:mpapoutsi@hba.gr">mpapoutsi@hba.gr</a> ή στο fax: 210-3646122.

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