

The School of Business at New Jersey City University has launched a new Master of Science degree program in Financial Technology (Fintech) designed to prepare students for career opportunities in the lucrative field of financial technology. Students in the Master of Science in Financial Technology program will learn the latest technologies such as blockchain and Al and machine learning algorithms required to solve business problems using financial technology.

DEMAND FOR FINANCIAL TECHNOLOGY PROFESSIONALS

The financial services market is changing rapidly with technology and data driven disruptive innovations (e.g. cryptocurrencies, blockchain, robo-advisors etc.). These innovations have resulted in over a 1000 startups worldwide with the bulk of them being in the New York City and Jersey City area. The surge in investment in Fintech by venture capitalists and banks have resulted in tremendous job opportunities for people with the right Fintech skills. LinkedIn currently list over 7000 fintech jobs, a vast majority of which is in the New York/New Jersey area. Salaries are lucrative, with average Fintech salaries being greater than many other financial sector jobs.

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The MS in Financial Technology program is designed to be a rigorous practice oriented program focused on providing a strong foundation in the technologies, techniques and tools employed in the industry. Students will learn cutting edge technologies such as blockchain and distributed ledgers, analytical skills, including popular machine learning techniques such as Deep Learning, and also the financial knowledge required to work in the industry. Graduates of the program will be thoroughly prepared to hit the ground running when they enter the workforce.

CURRICULUM

The MS in Financial Technology will require the completion of 30 credits which will consist of seven core courses (21 credits), two elective courses (6 credits) and a capstone project (3 credits). The program is designed to be completed in 16 months at the earliest and all classes are held weekday evenings or Saturday.

CORE REQUIREMENT (21 CREDITS)

FINC 673	Investment Planning and Portfolio Analysis
FINC 607	Corporate Financial Management
FINC 774	Analysis of Derivatives and Alternative Investments
FINC 614	Introduction to Business Analytics and Data Science
FINC 6X1	Designing and Developing Financial Systems
FINC 630	Introduction to Machine Learning
FINC 631	Current Topics in Financial Technology

CAPSTONE PROJECT (3 CREDITS)

FINC 7XX Thesis/Capstone Project in Financial Technology

ELECTIVES REQUIREMENT (6 CREDITS)

FINC 772	Analysis of Debt Investments
FINC 771	Analysis of Equity Investments
FINC 625	Financial Modeling
FINC 616	Data Visualization and Communication
FINC 635	Data Collection, Data Warehousing and Data Cleansing
FINC 665	Applied Regression and Time Series Analysis

