

Chartered Banker

Certificate in Green and Sustainable Finance

The world's first benchmark qualification for green and sustainable finance



The Importance of Green and Sustainable Finance

Managing climate-related risks and supporting the transition to a low-carbon world are our most significant global challenges. In order to tackle this collective challenge, finance professionals globally need to develop their knowledge of green and sustainable finance.

This global, benchmark qualification will help individuals to develop their understanding of, and apply, green and sustainable finance principles and practice in their roles and within their institutions.

Key Facts

Updated for 2020, the Certificate in Green and Sustainable Finance now encompasses broader aspects of sustainability, aligned with the UN Sustainable Development Goals, although the focus remains on “green”.

- Guided self-study supported by a wide range of interactive e-learning units and knowledge checks;
- 12 unit programme that can be completed in as little as 12 weeks. Registration lasts for 1 year, so you can also work through at your own pace;
- Assessed via 1 hour examination, conducted via remote invigilation;
- The Certificate costs £565 per candidate, including all learning materials and the first sitting of your exam;
- In order to study the Certificate you must become a member of the Institute. An annual subscription fee of £30.00 will be payable upon registration as part of the enrolment fees;
- Upon completion, learners will be entitled to use the designation Green and Sustainable Finance Professional™.

Module Information

The Certificate in Green and Sustainable Finance syllabus has been developed to encompass broader aspects of sustainable finance, alongside green finance;

- Introduces green and sustainable finance in the context of retail, commercial and wholesale banking, central and development banks, insurance and investment sectors;
- Covers the science of climate change and the role of the financial system in the natural world;
- Global, international and national policy, regulatory and industry responses to support flows of finance for sustainable growth;

- Identifying, disclosing and reporting climate-related financial risks, and other environmental and sustainability risks;
- Introduces key sustainable finance frameworks/principles (e.g. UN SDGs, PRI/PRB, TCFD, Green Bond and Green Loan Principles);
- Supporting customers in their transition to sustainability;
- Overview of green and sustainable FinTech;
- Ethical dimensions of green and sustainable finance, and the role of Green and Sustainable Finance Professionals™.

Qualification Level

The Certificate in Green and Sustainable Finance is designed as an RCF Level 4 (EQF Level 5 / SCQF Level 7) qualification.

Why Chartered Banker

- Globally recognised, the Institute is the only professional body in the world able to confer Chartered Banker status upon individuals;
- Developers of the world's first benchmark qualification for Green Finance;
- One of the first non-bank organisations to endorse the UN Principles for Responsible Banking;
- Our Code of Professional Conduct is adhered to by 200,000 bankers globally;
- Our professional standards provide a global benchmark for firms and professional bodies internationally;
- A not-for-profit charity with a core purpose of raising the standards of professionalism of bankers globally

Who is the Certificate in Green and Sustainable Finance for?

The Certificate is aimed at financial services professionals globally who wish to develop and demonstrate their knowledge and expertise of green and sustainable finance. Broad financial services sector coverage, including bankers, insurers, investment managers, central bankers and regulators, risk managers, analysts and consultants.

Entry Requirements

There are no entry requirements for the Certificate in Green and Sustainable Finance, and no prior knowledge of the green and sustainable finance sector is assumed.

Resources

Supported by an updated Green and Sustainable Finance Principles and Practice, the world's first Practitioner Guide, the Certificate is delivered via an online study guide that breaks up learning into bite size units. This is supported by interactive e-learning modules including audio, video and short learning actives and each unit is followed by a short knowledge check test or quiz to ensure understanding of the material.

Mobile Support

The learning materials are delivered via the Institute's LMS, which enables learners to access them anywhere, anytime, using most computer, tablet and mobile devices.

Employer Support

Employers can track progress of individuals and cohorts through regular progress reports and learner analytics, enabling timely intervention when necessary.

Additional Support Options

A range of blended support options for employers (e.g. tuition, revision workshops) are available on request.

Final Assessment

The Certificate is assessed via a 1-hour, 50-question objective test, delivered online with instant results. Online examinations are available with remote invigilation, enabling learners to schedule exams anytime, anywhere in the world – and significantly reducing the carbon footprint from travel to examination centres.

More Information

For further guidance, please visit www.charteredbanker.com/green or contact the Institute's Member Engagement Team via: info@charteredbanker.com

"The change we seek in mainstreaming green and sustainable finance needs to be led by increasing numbers of finance professionals with an understanding of the critical role of financial services in supporting the transition to a low-carbon world. Not just a small number of specialists, but a finance profession equipped with the knowledge and skills to be able to develop and deploy products, services and tools that will mobilise capital to support the transition, address climate-related risks, and direct customers and communities towards investments that generate sustainable economic, social and environmental returns."

Simon Thompson, CEO

Key Facts



The Certificate provides a comprehensive overview and understanding of the **evolving green and sustainable finance sector**



The 2020 Global Risks Report ranked **climate change as the key risk** faced by business, finance and society **over the next decade**



The global green bond **market** has grown to over

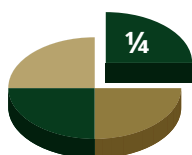
\$200
billion of annual issuance (2019)



The Chartered Banker code of **Professional Conduct** is adhered to by **200,000 bankers globally**



The transition to a sustainable, low carbon world is estimated to require **\$6 trillion per year of investment** – **80% of which will come from the private sector**



Sustainable, responsible and ethical investing now account for more than **1/4** of global assets under management



UN Principles for Responsible Banking launched in September 2019, supported by **130 banks from 49 countries** with more than \$47 trillion assets under management