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## Paul Wilmott presents the CQF for CFA Society Members and Candidates



Paul Wilmott will be delivering a live online CQF information session specifically for distance learning delegates in North America on the evening of Thursday, 21st April at 6:30PM EST. There will be no cost associated with this event. If you would like to reserve a place, please complete the short form on www.cqf.com/infosession.

The Certificate in Quantitative Finance (CQF), launched in January 2003, has been designed by Dr Paul Wilmott to provide a high-level training course for individuals working in, or intending to move into, derivatives, risk management, and trading, at banks, hedge funds, software companies, etc. Faced with an ever-increasing range of generalist financial courses, the CQF is unique in its structured approach and commitment to the field of practical quantitative finance.

This six-month intensive programme consists of straight-to-the-point formal evening lectures and other more informal workshops which deliver the necessary knowledge base and skills needed to succeed in this fast-paced working environment. This Certificate provides an in-depth coverage of practical quantitative methods important in today's financial markets.

The CQF is designed for delegates in full-time work and does not require any time away from the workplace.

# CFA Society members and Charterholders are entitled to a **10% discount** towards CQF fees.



Lecturers such as Espen Haug, Peter Jackel, Elie Ayache, Moorad Chaudry and Paul Wilmott justify the CQF's status as the leading qualification of its kind with an absolutely outstanding tutor faculty.



A world-class faculty

## Also included within the programme:

## **Maths Primer**

We now include a Maths Primer course at the beginning of the CQF. This primer course is ideal for pre-CQF delegates looking to brush up on their math skills. It is a short but intensive refresher in the areas of calculus, differential equations, linear algebra and probability.

## Practical Computational Finance in C++

C++ is critical to a role as a modern quant in a top-tier investment bank, so as part of the continual improvement of the CQF programme we are including the entire Computational Finance series as a selfcontained subset of the recorded Alumni Classes. You will learn the techniques necessary to convert pricing models into the algorithmic form suitablefor coding in C++.

## Lifelong learning

Continuing education is paramount in the world of mathematical finance. To ensure that CQF Alumni are supported after they have obtained their qualification, additional regular classes are delivered on both technical and topical issues. These classes are delivered by the CQF Faculty in addition to world-class practitioners.



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## CFA Institute Continuing Education (CE)

CFA Institute has a commitment to Continuing Education (CE), and encourages CFA Institute members to maintain and improve their professional competence. Coursework for the CQF is eligible for 40 CE credits (equivalent to two years recommended minimum) and will be automatically recorded in CFA Institute members' CE Diaries.

For more information about the CFA Institute CE Programme visit cfainstitute.org/ceprogram.

## Stats and Facts

## Key Facts

- The largest and fastest-growing quant course in the world
- Six-month part-time course
- More flexible, targeted and costeffective than any university financial engineering programme
- Course fees include materials and books, Mathematics Primer, 6 core modules, C++ and Java, a Trading Simulator and Lifelong Learning

#### Student/alumni Stats

## Of those taking the course:

- 65% work within the financial services industry
- 60% are sponsored by their employer
- 77% take the entire course online

## Key facts from the June 2010 Programme

- Number of students admitted: • 226 Average Age: • 29 Range of ages: • 22 to 57 Average work experience: • 3 - 7 years Range of work experience:
- 0 34 years
- Number of nationalities:
- 29

I completed the CQF as a distance learner. I believe that the CQF is one of the most efficient and effective ways to fast track understanding and practical knowledge in quantitative finance. It equipped me with the confidence to deal with everevolving structures proposed by banks, and above all with the ability to price and analyse the sensitivities of these products. This incredible program offers in the matter of six months a level of credibility and recognition from colleagues, counterparts and peers, that could be achieved no other way.

Jean-Francois Blottiere, CQF Alumnus and CFA Charterholder

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