

The Vienna Graduate School of Finance (VGSF) invites excellent students to apply for the PhD Program in Finance starting in fall 2010. Up to six scholarships will be offered to the best applicants.

The program is open for students from all countries with all academic specializations, provided they hold a Master degree or equivalent and have sufficient level of formal training. Students who are going to graduate soon (by June 2010) may apply, too. To participate in the selection process a candidate's application must be received by January 7, 2010 (Online Application).

The VGSF PhD program in Finance consists of two parts: rigorous coursework and work on the PhD thesis. The students attend courses covering all major topics in finance and analytical methods required for research. In particular, the courses focus on Corporate Finance, Asset Pricing and Quantitative Methods in Finance. In the past academic years students had the chance to attend courses taught by international scholars such as Tomas Björk, Christopher Hennessy, David Lando, Jacob Sagi, Rossen Valkanov, Jiang Wang and Toni Whited. After passing the required exams, students start to conduct research projects on their own. In our weekly research seminar students have the opportunity to meet internationally renowned scholars presenting their state-of-the art research.

Application form and how to apply

The [online application](#) period for the academic year 2010/2011 begins on December 01, 2009 (14:00, CET) and ends on January 07, 2010 (14:00, CET). Only applications submitted within this period can be accepted.

Please note the following:

All information provided in the online application form must be correct and complete. In case of any subsequent corrections please contact office@vgsf.ac.at.

DO NOT submit the form more than once. If we receive two or more application forms from the same person, we will not consider any of them.

All correspondence will be made via email using the email address you have specified in the online application form. Please check your emails regularly and keep your mailbox ready to receive.

Applicants who will finish their Master studies after the deadline but before June 2010 are welcome to apply as well.

In the online form you have to provide the **following information**:

Personal data

Academic background

English competence: e.g.

TOEFL (code number 9618): paper based at least 600 points; computer based at least 250 points; internet based at least 100 points,

IELTS: at least 7.0 points and not older than 2 years,

CAE, or

another English proof of your English competence

Proof of aptitude: e.g.

GMAT,

GRE (code number 9618),

or another proof of your analytical skills

Information about reference letters:

For a complete application you have to provide at least two reference letters sent by regular mail. In the online tool you specify only the contact details of the persons who are willing to provide reference letters.

Reference letters must not be uploaded. They have to be sent by each referee in a sealed envelope via regular mail to: Josef Zechner Vienna Graduate School of Finance c/o WU Wirtschaftsuniversität Wien Heiligenstädter Strasse 46-48A-1190 Vienna Austria, Europe

The reference letters have to be sent until January 7th, 2010 (post mark) so that we consider them for your application. There is no form for the reference letters.

Uploads: You also have to upload the following documents in PDF format:

your curriculum vitae,

a self-statement of purpose,

all your degree certificates,

all your official transcripts,

your GRE, TOEFL, GMAT, IELTS scores or any other proof of your analytical skills and/or English knowledge

Each uploaded file must have a maximum size of 2MB. We recommend to merge all documents into one PDF-file (not more than 2MB large),

and to use low resolution when scanning documents.

All evidence specified in this list must be provided! If any of these items is missing the application is incomplete, and will not be considered! The sole responsibility for submitting a complete application rests on the applicant!

Documents issued in a language other than German or English must be submitted accompanied by a certified translation. The German or English translations must be done by a certified, court-approved translator officially recognized by the issuing country.

Upon request you must be able to provide us with all the original documents within one week.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE *January 7th, 2010*

Further information about the program can be found at [curriculum](#) and [frequently asked questions](#).

For all remaining questions please contact office@vgsf.ac.at

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