

# BLOOMBERG MARKET CONCEPTS (BMC) CERTIFICATION

CERTIFICATION FOR FINANCE STUDENTS

# BRIEF EXPLANATION OF THE BMC CERTIFICATION

- Main points of BMC
  - 8 hours long
  - Self-paced
  - E-learning course
- Contents:
  - 4 modules:
    - Economics
    - Currencies
    - Fixed Income
    - Equities
- Course objective:
  - Introduction to financial markets

# A BREAKDOWN OF THE MODULES

- Economic Indicators
  - Fundamentals of publication and analyzation
  - Explanation of qualities of good economic indicators
  - Learn how to use economic indicators to spot inflection points
  - Submodules
    - The Primacy of GDP
    - Monitoring GDP
    - Forecasting GDP
- Currencies
  - Explore history and mechanics
  - Identify the three main drivers of currency valuation
  - Discuss the role central banks play in inflation and deflation
  - Discover how currency markets affect investors and businesses and how they manage the risk
  - Submodules
    - Currency Market Mechanics
    - Currency Valuation
    - Central Banks and Currencies
    - Currency Risk

# BREAKDOWN CONTINUED

- Fixed Income
  - Discover the purpose of bond markets
  - Discover how bond markets grew to be the biggest, most complex markets, in the world
  - Explore how yields facilitate comparison across bond markets
  - Describe how government bond yields are a yardstick by which all other investments are measured
  - Describe how bond markets instill discipline in governments
  - Discover why, when and how central banks make interest rate decisions
  - Explore how bond valuation is driven
  - Describe the importance of the yield curve
  - Interpret the meaning of the four major shifts in the yield curve
  - Interpret the meaning of the meaning of curve inversion
  - Submodules
    - The Roots Of The Bond Market
    - Bond Valuation Drivers
    - Central Bankers & Interest Rates
    - The Yield Curve & Why It Matters
    - Movements In The Yield Curve

### BREAKDOWN CONTINUED

- Equities
  - Calculate equity index performance of single stocks
  - Explore the nature and allure of equity ownership.
  - Identify why equities are more volatile than bonds
  - Describe how bond markets instill discipline in governments
  - Describe how industry and supply chain analysis is foundational to equity research
  - Discover how the use of accurate industry drivers facilitates accurate earnings forecasts
  - Describe the five-step absolute valuation process and the attendant pitfalls
  - Identify the three types of relative valuation and the role of future earnings growth when assessing fair value
  - Submodules
    - Introducing the Stock Market
    - The Nature Of Equities
    - Equity Research
    - Absolute Valuation
    - Relative Valuation

COST

- Cost of course:
  - Can be taken on a Bloomberg terminal for free
  - Or taken online at the student rate of \$149 USD
    - More information about Bloomberg terminals can be found at the website below
      - <a href="https://www.bloomberg.com/professional/solution/bloomberg-terminal/">https://www.bloomberg.com/professional/solution/bloomberg-terminal/</a>