



Sustainable Finance: ESG and the Future of Finance

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Programme overview

Developed in partnership with Pearson, **Sustainable Finance: ESG and the Future of Finance** is designed to equip you with the skills and knowledge needed to accelerate sustainable change.

Throughout the programme, you'll develop a foundational understanding of how financial institutions, capital, equity and debt markets function, and learn about ESG and the future of finance. You'll explore how the financial system can become "greener", the ways in which these changes can be implemented via innovative strategies, and the financial opportunities and risks that may come from the transition to global environmental sustainability.

This application-focused programme is grounded in the world-leading research and teaching expertise of Oxford Smith School of Enterprise and the Environment and the **Oxford Sustainable Finance Group**.

Learning outcomes

Our ambition is for you to leave our fully online programme ready to make an impact. You'll be empowered with the knowledge and perspectives needed to champion sustainable finance and influence strategies that will drive real-world change – whether that's within your own organisation, a client's business or through policy.

By the end of the programme, you will be able to:

- understand the purpose of finance and the structure of the financial system;
- navigate sustainable finance within a broad framework that considers the investment chain, asset classes and different finance professions;
- analyse the role of public policy in motivating investment in sustainability, understand how sustainable finance is shaped by public policy and the motivations of policymakers internationally, and evaluate what has or has not worked to date;
- assess how and why policies, regulations and supervisory expectations related to sustainable finance are evolving in different jurisdictions, and examine the opportunities this creates; and
- analyse the challenges, risks and opportunities associated with seeking positive environmental and social impacts through finance and evaluate what kinds of impacts are likely or possible.

Upon successful completion, will also receive a certificate of completion that will enhance your resume and help support your career progression.

Course details

Type:
Online programme

Length:
Eight weeks (4 – 5 hours of study per week)

Who for?
Professionals who interact with, or seek to influence, financial practice and investment in their roles

Fees:
£1,500 (inclusive of VAT)*

Entry requirements:
None

For dates of our upcoming intakes, please [visit our website](#).

*Discounts available to alumni and those working in the public sector. Evidence required.

Modules	
Module 0	Getting started
Module 1	Introduction
Module 2	Sustainable investing
Module 3	Green finance (1)
Module 4	Green finance (2)
Module 5	Financing green (1)
Module 6	Financing green (2)
Module 7	Critical assessment of practitioner case studies
Module 8	Final assessment

Learning experience

This 100% online programme will bring theory to life, using practical examples and activities that you can apply to your own day-to-day role. These may include:

- case studies
- knowledge checks
- discussion forums
- practical exercises

You will also benefit from access to a Facilitator. An academic expert in their field, they will:

- be present in discussion forums;
- provide guidance on projects and assessments; and
- provide feedback for assessed activities.

Networking with global professionals committed to sustainability

By connecting with like-minded peers from across the world while studying with us, you can expand your network and cultivate valuable professional relationships long after the programme is finished. These could positively impact your future career prospects and will introduce you to a variety of perspectives in the field.

Entry requirements

We want to ensure that everyone has the chance to upskill in order to create a better future for themselves, their organisation and the planet. For this reason, there are no specific entry requirements for this programme.

However, it will take a certain level of commitment and learners are expected to dedicate four to five hours a week to their studies. All activities and assessments will take place online, so you will need a stable internet connection and suitable equipment to participate.

Oxford Sustainable Finance Group

Established in 2012, the Oxford Sustainable Finance Group is the world's largest multi-disciplinary centre for research and teaching in sustainable finance, and a focal point for the University of Oxford's activities in addressing the transition to global environmental sustainability.

Find out more about the Group and its work and impact on our [website](#).



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