

Master Financial Modeler

APPLICATION FORM

RECOGNIZING FINANCIAL MODELERS FROM AROUND THE WORLD WHO EXHIBIT THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF EXPERIENCE, SKILL, LEADERSHIP, AND CONTRIBUTION.





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Introduction

Welcome

The MFM accreditation is unlike anything in the world today. It represents the most prestigious level of recognition globally for financial modelers.

This document will guide you through the process of submitting an application to be considered for the Master Financial Modeler accreditation from Financial Modeling Institute (FMI).

Master Financial Modeler (MFM) Accreditation

FMI's mission is to elevate the profession of financial modeling by establishing the world's leading community of accredited financial modelers.

One way we pursue this is with a growing cohort of MFMs that truly represents excellence through lifetime experience and achievements in the discipline of financial modeling.

Through a rigorous application process, the MFM accreditation will be awarded to those professionals who have achieved the pinnacle of financial modeling experience, skill, leadership, and contributions to the field.

The MFM recognizes the very best modelers in the world and showcases their talents and contributions. In return, those who are granted the MFM accreditation will use this achievement and recognition to give back to the modeling community.

If selected as an MFM, you will become a global ambassador in the community, promoting excellence in financial modeling in the following ways:

- Adjudicating future MFM candidates
- Sharing thought leadership content with the FMI Community
- Speaking at relevant events
- Promoting FMI
- Contributing to the field of financial modeling

Financial Modeling Institute (FMI)

FMI provides independent, rigorous testing of financial modeling proficiency with its various programs and accreditations. The accreditation exams are challenging and require a high degree of effort, skill, and acumen to successfully pass. Attaining an accreditation from FMI distinguishes those who have demonstrated exceptional modeling skills.



Application Process

Financial Modeling Institute invites you to apply for the MFM accreditation to demonstrate your mastery of financial modeling.

Application Details

The application deadline is January 31, 2026.

MFM applications will be reviewed by a peer group from around the world, including MFMs, who will form the Adjudication Committee.

In early 2026, you may be asked to meet with members of the Adjudication Committee to discuss your application. The Committee will then meet to decide which candidates will be granted the MFM accreditation.

Applications should be emailed to **MFM@fminstitute.com** with the subject: **MFM Application**. Attachments can include Word documents, PDF files, videos, and Excel spreadsheets.

Code of Conduct

Applicants must attest that they created any submission materials and that they abide by FMI's Code of Conduct (https://fminstitute.com/code-of-conduct/).

Criteria

Summary

Below are the criteria to become a Master Financial Modeler. As part of your application, you need to demonstrate and/or submit the following:

1. Modeling Experience

MFM accreditation holders have significant experience in the field of financial modeling. As an MFM candidate, you will need to demonstrate at least 10 years of meaningful financial modeling experience. This can be through a combination of professional and volunteer experience.

2. Mastery of Technical Modeling Skills

MFM accreditation holders have demonstrated world-class technical financial modeling skills. As an applicant, it is preferred and highly recommended that you have attained the Advanced Financial Modeler (AFM) accreditation and Chartered Financial Modeler (CFM) accreditation prior to applying for the Master Financial Modeler accreditation. However, FMI will consider your application if you have other ways to demonstrate exceptional modeling proficiency.

If you have not achieved the AFM or CFM accreditation, please indicate how you achieved mastery of technical modeling skills, including explanations or examples of your financial modeling skills or project work.

3. Financial Modeling Leadership

MFM accreditation holders are leaders who elevate the profession of financial modeling. As an MFM candidate, please cite examples of your professional and community leadership. You can also share details on any awards received that support your leadership.

4. Contributions to the Field

Contributing to the field of financial modeling in a meaningful way is what sets MFMs apart. As an MFM candidate, you will need to demonstrate your contributions to the financial modeling profession. Contributions must have had a positive and/or quantifiable impact on the financial modeling community.

FMI will consider MFM candidates who have made *significant* contributions to the field of financial modeling. Examples of significant contributions include authorship of financial modeling books and/ or publications, key roles at financial modeling conferences and events, extensive financial modeling teaching and/ or coaching in a professional environment, content development, meaningful social media presence, and volunteering through board work and mentorship. Some combination of these or other types of contributions is essential to your application.

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1. Modeling Experience

a) Employment History/ Professional Career

Provide details of your career path, starting with your current position first. Describe your roles and achievements, particularly as they relate to financial modeling and the results that were achieved because of these models.

In a separate document, please include a table like the one below that lists your most recent positions (covering at least 10 to 15 years), including descriptions of key accomplishments in each role.

EMPLOYER NAME	POSITION/TITLE	DATES	ACCOMPLISHMENTS	
Employer Name(s)	Position or Title		Descriptions	

b) Volunteer Contributions

Please describe any important modeling-related volunteer activities with civic, community, charitable or professional organizations, starting with the most recent.

ORGANIZATION NAME	CONTRIBUTIONS	DATES
Organization Name(s)	Description	

2. Mastery of Technical Modeling Skills

Applicants with a CFM accreditation do not need to provide anything for this section.

For those applicants who have not attained the AFM or CFM accreditation, please include descriptions of the models or modeling projects you have worked on, and the impact of these models on clients and projects.

3. Financial Modeling Leadership

Please indicate examples of your professional and community leadership. You can also share details on any awards received that support your leadership.

4. Demonstrated Contributions to the Field

In a separate document, please describe your contributions to the field of financial modeling.

Tell us about any experience or involvement with:

- Idea generation
- Content creation
- Authorship of books/ publications
- Speaking engagements
- Work on various projects
- Teaching / coaching
- Other

In essence, the Adjudication Committee is looking to see your body of work and how you have elevated the financial modeling profession.

5. Submission

Please submit a selection of materials to be reviewed by the Adjudication Committee that support your candidacy. This can include models, articles, papers, training materials, videos, etc. Sensitive information should be redacted.

6. References

Please include contact information for at least two references who can attest to your proficiency in financial modeling and suitability for the MFM accreditation.

Submission

Instructions

Your application email, which contains all supporting documents, must be emailed to **MFM@fminstitute.com** no later than **January 31, 2026**.

Upon submission, you will receive a confirmation receipt email.

Thank you for considering the MFM accreditation. We look forward to reviewing your application.

Checklist

Please ensure the following information has been included:

- Signed signature page / attestation (this page)
 - o Full Name, mailing address and email address
- Modeling experience, including:
 - Employment history
 - Volunteer Contributions (if relevant)
 - o Awards received (if relevant)
- For applicants who have not attained the CFM accreditation, an attestation letter from someone who can validate your exceptional financial modeling skills is required
- Description of contributions to the field of financial modeling
- Submission files (Models, articles, papers, training materials, videos, etc.)
- Contact information for at least two references who will be contacted by the Committee

Signature Page/Attestation

I confirm that all information in my application is correct, all work submitted is my own, and I have abided by the FMI Code of Conduct.

Name	Signature
Date:	

