SAIF at a Glance

Shanghai Advanced Institute of Finance (SAIF)

Shanghai Advanced Institute of Finance (SAIF) was established at Shanghai Jiao Tong University in April 2009, with strategic and financial support from the Shanghai Municipal Government. Its mission is to become a world class institute of research and higher learning. SAIF is committed to developing top talents for the financial world and to generating cutting-edge knowledge in the theories of finance and their applications. As a member of Shanghai’s financial community, it strives to contribute to the development of Shanghai as a global financial center.

Shanghai Jiao Tong University (SJTU)

Nestled in downtown Shanghai area, Shanghai Jiao Tong University (SJTU) has always been recognized as one of the most prestigious universities in China for both its academic reputation and its alumni achievements. Founded in 1896, SJTU has evolved from an institute of top engineers into a comprehensive university of over twenty schools, ranging from sciences, engineering, humanities, law, international relations to business.
Finance MBA

SAIF’s Finance MBA program aims to help those who want to pursue a successful career in finance. Whatever your prior profession is, SAIF paves your way towards the financial world with:

- World class scholars and experts in Finance with knowledge in both western and Chinese markets;
- Advanced curriculum in Finance to develop and expand your knowledge;
- Financial trading laboratory with real-time stock market data;
- Visiting Finance luminaries who lead forums that exchange ideas and knowledge;
- Not just finance — also covering other relevant subjects;
- An increasingly valuable degree, given the rapid growth of SAIF and Chinese financial markets;
- Tailor-made career services.

Duration: 2 years
Language of Instruction:
- MBA (Full-time) Program — English
- MBA (Part-time) program — Chinese & English
Finance EMBA

Finance EMBA
Master of Finance
PhD in Finance
Executive Development Program (EDP)

Finance EMBA

The SAIF’s Finance EMBA is an innovative program for executives of Chinese financial institutions, other corporate financial executives and government officials.

SAIF’s EMBA program will broaden participants’ perspective with up-to-date theories and case studies, cutting-edge methodologies and techniques of finance, as well as the state-of-the-art management and leadership essentials. Participants also have the option to choose concentrations in either advanced corporate finance or advanced capital markets, which allows them to significantly enhance the depth of their knowledge in these areas.

Duration: 2 years
Language of Instruction: Chinese
Master in Finance

Inaugurated in autumn 2009, the Masters in Finance program exposes students to modern finance theories, sophisticated quantitative tools and practical industry knowledge over a two-year study period. Students can choose from the following three specializations: investment management, corporate finance, and risk management and financial engineering. Upon completion of the program, students will be equipped with the valuable skill set of a finance expert and will be on the trajectory to a world of opportunities.

- Curriculum comparable to those offered by International top finance masters programs;
- Balanced structure on theories and their applications;
- Teaching faculty composed of world-class scholars and leading financial professionals;
- Innovative teaching methodologies, e.g., lab-based courses and practice-based projects;
- Admission open to all English speakers.

Duration: 2 years
Language of Instruction: English
PhD in Finance

SAIF initiated its doctoral program in Finance in 2010. We currently have 11 doctoral advisers, all of whom are chaired professors or full professors from top business schools around the world. They have extensive experience in teaching and research in leading business schools and can guide the students to do cutting-edge research in the financial field. In addition, SAIF also has five special-term professors who are tenured associate professors at reputable overseas universities. They are also involved in the tutoring and guiding of doctoral students.

Objective
The goal of the program is to produce top researchers for universities and research institutions. Through our strict screening process, training and examinations, and with high quality advising by our faculty, the doctoral students’ dissertations should reach the same quality as those from the top universities around the world. We also encourage our students to work on academic subjects that will make theoretical and policy contributions to the development of the financial services industry in China.

Research Directions

Duration: 4-5 years
Language of instruction: Chinese & English
Finance MBA
Finance EMBA
Master of Finance
PhD in Finance

Executive Development Program (EDP)

SAIF’s EDP provides flexible and intensive short-term training courses to individuals or organizations that seek to enhance their knowledge when new ideas or financial instruments emerge. Course coverage, length and schedule can be tailor made to fit the needs of our clients.

SAIF offers professional open programs, such as PE Security/Estates investment of CEO program, advanced management of finance investments program. We also have company specific programs, which have successfully assisted the development and growth of finance enterprises. SAIF’s EDP holds Investment Summit forums annually, focusing on the review and outlook of world finance.
Focus on finance
World-class faculty
Strong support from Shanghai municipal government
The fast growth of the finance industry
Strategic location

Focus on finance
SAIF is unique among other traditional MBA programs in China with its strong emphasis on finance. In face of the shortage of finance experts in China, we put extra emphasis on quantitative and analytical courses in our programs' curricula. While laying a solid foundation of theory, we value the importance of application. The state-of-the-art financial trading lab with real-time data is designed to provide hands-on experience which paves your way towards a promising career in finance industry.

World-class faculty
SAIF boasts an internationally renowned faculty, with impressive teaching and research experience from leading universities and research institutions around the world, including MIT, Columbia, Princeton, UC-Berkeley, Michigan, etc. Our dedicated faculty members bring the most advanced and cutting-edge financial knowledge to SAIF, and put the students on the same page with their peers in other leading business schools around the world.
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The grant from Shanghai municipal government to SAIF is by far the largest it has ever made to fund a business school, which demonstrates its high expectation and strong faith in SAIF’s future. In addition to the monetary investment, the municipal government also pledges to help SAIF forge a close tie with Shanghai’s finance industry, including many large public owned institutions.

The fast growth of the finance industry
Shanghai’s finance industry has experienced fast growth in recent years and the trend will continue well into the future as the Chinese government has decreed that Shanghai must become an international financial center by 2020. Shanghai has a well developed system of financial institutions including commercial banks, investment banks, security firms, insurance firms, fund management firms, as well as national exchanges for stocks, bonds, futures, commodities, foreign exchanges, etc. In 2010, the total value of financial products traded in Shanghai was RMB 416 trillion, and the figure is expected to reach around RMB 1000 trillion in 2015. It is estimated that the city’s financial sector urgently needs at least one million experienced personnel with managerial or professional skills. SAIF has only recently launched its programs while many firms have already expressed strong interest in working with SAIF and our students.
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China has become the 2nd largest economy in the world in 2011. Shanghai, leading Chinese cities economically with a GDP per capita of US$10,537 (2009), will continue to be the engine of the fast economic growth in China. The city has become an exciting modern metropolis with an abundance of art museums, theatres, bars, restaurants, parks and sports facilities. SAIF is located in Xujiahui area, a vibrant hotspot of downtown Shanghai.
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Career Development Center (CDC)

The Career Development Center (CDC) at SAIF is dedicated to providing students with effective career development advice and coaching. CDC not only serves to exchange information between the students and recruiters when students are near graduation, but it also offers career counselling and training opportunities to students at SAIF. By interacting with students closely on an individual basis, the staff members will help the students develop their professional goals and find the best career paths to achieve them. CDC’s current services include:

- Professional skills training
- Career assessment
- Career development lecturers and seminars
- Company information sessions
- Internship service
- Job vacancy posting
- Campus recruiting
Diversity and Globalization at SAIF

SAIF boasts a diversified student body and has actively engaged in the promotion of globalization since its inception. With a vision to become the world’s leading business school, SAIF has set up the International Affairs Office (IAO) to work on global initiatives and provide services to international students and scholars.

IAO designs various programs to maximize the students’ international exposure, including student exchange programs, lectures by foreign industry speakers, networking opportunities, overseas study tours, and international event organization/facilitation.

IAO answers inquiries from prospective overseas students (including students from Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan) in the form of emails, phone calls or on-site visits. We process their applications, including material reviewing, interview scheduling, and outcome notification. For admitted/current overseas students, we provide visa facilitation, an orientation course, free Chinese language and cultural instructions, academic counseling, and in-depth information on living, studying and working in China. Our friendly multi-lingual (English, Japanese, German, and French) staff is always here to assist you in achieving the best outcomes from your experience at SAIF.
Diversity and Globalization at SAIF

We maintain cooperative relationships with other universities/schools around the world through a number of partnership development projects, such as:

- Joint academic research
- International module in the program
- Joint non-degree program development
- Student internship exchange
- Hosting overseas student groups and faculty visits

Constant and effective communications with our partner schools allow us to keep abreast with the latest trends in international business and financial education, and to understand the needs of an increasingly diverse student body. An integral part in building SAIF’s core competency, the Office of International Affairs at SAIF is where you will experience the strong momentum of a fast developing Institute. Call today and find out about the exciting opportunities available in this dynamic emerging market.

Students Exchange Partners:
(As of Feb 2012)

- National University of Singapore Business School, Singapore
- University of California, Davis, Graduate School of Management, USA
- University of Washington, Foster School of Business, USA
- Paris Dauphine University, France
- Warwick Business School, UK
- Manchester Business School, UK
- Aalto University, Finland
- University of New South Wales, Australia School of Business, Australia
- Copenhagen Business School, Denmark
- University of Notre Dame Du Lac, USA
- IE Business School, Spain
- Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST), North Korea
- The University of Konstanz, Germany
China Academy of Financial Research (CAFR)

The China Academy of Financial Research (CAFR) is a subsidiary research organization of Shanghai Jiao Tong University. Drawing on Shanghai Advance Institute of Finance’s advantages in talents, academic research and connection with domestic and international community, CAFR is building a world class open research platform with researchers in finance and economics all over the world. The mission of CAFR is to promote the economic and social development of China by fostering the reform, development and globalization of China’s financial system.

As a top-notch “think-tank” to Chinese government and related organizations, CAFR provides forward-looking and insightful analysis and advice for major financial policies. CAFR also releases working papers, reports and publications to share research results with collaborators and the public.

In addition, CAFR hosts a variety of high-end forums, seminars and lectures centered on academic, practice and policy study to promote communications among different professions from different organizations across countries. Major events already successfully hosted include the Shanghai Finance Forum and the CAFR/SIF Summer Finance Institute.

CAFR seeks to establish long-term collaborations with various institutions or organizations in order to maximize the synergies and promote the prosperity of financial research. CAFR also welcomes donations from individuals or organizations to support the research activities.
SAIF has state-of-the-art campus facilities that rival those at other leading business schools around the world, including classrooms with multi-media equipment, a modern trading lab, a large auditorium, complete wireless internet coverage, and spacious hallways for people to congregate.
Milestones

September 1, 2008  ▶  First pilot Finance MBA class of SAIF started.
February 19, 2009  ▶  SAIF successfully hosted the second Shanghai Finance Forum.
February 20, 2009  ▶  The Board approved the Charter of SAIF during the first Board meeting.
April 19, 2009  ▶  SAIF was officially inaugurated with the official approval of the Mayor of Shanghai.
July 2, 2009  ▶  2009 CAFR/SAIF Summer Finance Institute was held.
July 9-13, 2009  ▶  First SAIF Summer Camp attracted 70 top junior college students around the country.
August 12, 2009  ▶  CAFR was officially approved by the Shanghai Jiao Tong University.
September 19, 2009  ▶  The first MBA and MF programs launched.
October 5-7, 2009  ▶  The first Autumn Camp for full-time MBA students kicked off.
February 1, 2010  ▶  National University of Singapore signed agreement of cooperation as the first partner school with SAIF.
March 15, 2010  ▶  Shanghai Financial Association signed strategic agreement with SAIF to promote cooperation on teaching and research by resources sharing.
March 18, 2010  ▶  The government of Shanghai Xuhui District signed agreement with SAIF on collaborative efforts in the development of financial talents.
April 6, 2010  ▶  Taiwan Academy of Banking and Finance signed Letter of Intent with SAIF to promote communication between financial talents from mainland China and Taiwan.
June 27, 2010  ▶  The first EMBA program launched.
July 11, 2010  ▶  Financial Gurus Lecture Series jointly hosted by SAIF and CAFR kicked off.
September 19, 2010  ▶  SAIF was awarded the title Shanghai Financial Talents Education Base by the Shanghai government.
March 17, 2011  ▶  EUREX donated market data to SAIF.
April 19, 2011  ▶  China Business News started the first SAIF Faculty media column.
May 20, 2011  ▶  SAIF and W.P. Carey School of Business of Arizona State University co-developed DBA program.
May 27, 2011  ▶  SAIF signed a Memorandum of Understanding on cooperation with Deutsche Börse and EUREX.
July 9, 2011  ▶  The First SAIF commencement witnessed a promising future of SAIF MF and MBA graduates.
December 3, 2011  ▶  SAIF Students Association (SSA) Established.
February 18, 2012  ▶  The 3rd Shanghai Finance Forum hosted by SAIF and CAFR.
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