

# PhD in Finance

## PROGRAM

[Drexel LeBow's PhD in Finance](#) transforms curious students into inspiring teachers and outstanding scholars. The program, with its rigorous training in quantitative research methods and financial theory, leads to research spanning from corporate finance to behavioral finance, fintech innovation and entrepreneurship. A PhD in Finance leads to career opportunities in:

- Academia
- Policymaking organizations and think tanks
- Asset management, consulting, technology and other industries

As of 2023, the average newly hired assistant professor earned \$183,500 per year.<sup>1</sup>

Admission is competitive, and students from all academic and cultural backgrounds are encouraged to apply.

## HIGHLIGHTS

The program provides students with a supportive, collaborative environment with many benefits:

- **Mentorship from leading scholars** who regularly publish in top-tier finance journals
- **Frequent seminars and conferences** that offer opportunities to learn from and network with peers
- **Access to numerous data sets**, including nonpublic microdata from U.S. statistical agencies, because of the University's designation as a Federal Statistical Research Data Center

**DID YOU KNOW?** *LeBow's Department of Finance consistently lands in the top 50 ranking for finance research output (University of Texas at Dallas).*

<sup>1</sup> AACSB 2023–24 Staff Compensation and Demographics Survey

## FUNDING

- Financial support for five years including tuition and fees, health insurance, and a stipend
- Additional funding to purchase data, participate in conferences and conduct other research activities
- Permanent office space, equipped with a computer, and plenty of free coffee and snacks

## SETTING

Our University City Campus is in Philadelphia, a city known for its diversity, lively business and restaurant scenes, and cultural and sporting attractions. In addition to our own collection of research events, our proximity to other universities, the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia and many financial firms affords many opportunities to interact with leading practitioners and researchers.

## RECENT PLACEMENTS

AUBURN UNIVERSITY  
*Assistant Professor*

INDIANA UNIVERSITY  
*Assistant Professor*

MIAMI UNIVERSITY  
*Assistant Professor*

VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY  
*Assistant Professor*

ACCENTURE  
*Data Scientist*

