



Careers Masterclass

Overview of UK Finance/Economics Job Market

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What we will cover:

- Overview of the UK Finance/Economics Job Market
- The types of Opportunities available

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What industries/sectors can you go into with a Master's from SEF:

Private Sector

- Banking & Investment
- Financial Services
- Consultancy
- Fintech
- Start-ups
- Think Tanks (Research)
- Insurance & Pension
- Data Analysis
- Business Management / HR / Technology / Media....

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What industries/sectors can you go into with a Master's from SEF:

Public Sector

- Civil Service Fast Stream
- Bank of England
- Government Economics Service
- HM Treasury
- HMRC
- Local Authorities
- Other Government Departments

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What industries/sectors can you go into with a Master's from SEF:

Non-finance firms with finance graduate schemes

- Sky
- Boots
- Tesco
- Virgin Media
- Nestle
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Types of Opportunities

- Graduate Schemes (2 -3 year paid training programmes – often rotational)
- Internships (4 weeks to 1 year paid work experience)
- Other Graduate Jobs (general entry level jobs)

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Graduate Schemes

- Offered by most large organisations
- Rotational training programmes (1-3 years)
- Usually start around September
- Applications open around September the previous year (Investment Banks even earlier – the sooner you apply the higher your chances!)

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Internships

- Most large organisations have Internships
- Usually over the summer
- Often just **for penultimate year** students but some accept Master students (read carefully before applying)
- Employers also offer off-cycle Internships
- Smaller employers call any work experience internships, which is usually open to all applicants

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Graduate Jobs

- If you do not get on to a Graduate Scheme, there are many other graduate roles available.
- It is important to stay flexible and open-minded

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Most graduate jobs are not graduate training schemes!



- *Graduate Scheme*
- *Graduate jobs/direct entry*



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