

National Institute of Securities Markets
Welcomed into CFA Institute University Affiliation Program

Students of [PGDM-SM] taking steps to career success through preparation for the CFA Program

Tuesday, March 13, 2018 - National Institute of Securities Markets (NISM) has become the latest university to be welcomed into the CFA Institute University Affiliation Program. The AICTE approved 2-years, full-time **Post Graduate Diploma in Management (Securities Markets)** has been acknowledged as incorporating at least 70 percent of the [CFA Program Candidate Body of Knowledge](#) (CBOK) and placing emphasis on the CFA Institute [Code of Ethics](#) and [Standards of Practice](#) within the program. This program(s) position students well to obtain the Chartered Financial Analyst® designation, which has become the most respected and recognized investment credential in the world.

PGDM (SM) programme is an ideal platform for those with a passion for securities markets, aspiring for in-depth knowledge and a long-term career in this domain. The program is suitable for both fresh graduates and experienced candidates.

Entry into the CFA Institute University Affiliation Program signals to potential students, employers, and the marketplace that National Institute of Securities Markets curriculum is closely tied to professional practice and is well-suited to preparing students to sit for the CFA examinations. Through participation in this program is eligible to receive a limited number of student scholarships for the CFA Program each year.

“Students in these programs study the Candidate Body of Knowledge, which includes the core knowledge, skills, and abilities identified by practitioners worldwide as essential for successful practice,” said Neil Govier, CFA, Head of University Relations at CFA Institute. “By mastering the fundamentals of the CFA Program as well as the Code of Ethics and Standards of Professional Conduct, these future investment professionals gain a strong foundation that helps prepare them well to join the growing CFA Institute community dedicated to promoting the highest standards of ethics, education, and professional excellence for the ultimate benefit of society.”

GATEWAY TO CAREERS IN FINANCIAL MARKETS

About NISM

The National Institute of Securities Markets (NISM) is a public trust established by the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) in pursuance of the mandate by the honorable Union Finance Minister in his budget speech of February 2005. The institute is committed to its vision

of **professionalizing the securities markets**. It carries out a wide range of capacity building activities at various levels aimed at enhancing the quality standards of and increase the participation in the securities markets. Since its inception, NISM has churned out more than 250 securities markets professionals from its academic programmes. Approximately more than 3 lakh market professionals have been certified through its Certification examinations and programmes.

About CFA Institute

CFA Institute is the global association of investment professionals that sets the standard for professional excellence and administers the industry gold standard CFA charter. The organization is a champion for ethical behavior in investment markets and a respected source of knowledge in the global financial community. The end goal: to create an environment where investors' interests come first, markets function at their best, and economies grow. CFA Institute has more than 148,000 members in 163 countries and territories, including 142,000 CFA charter holders. For more information, visit www.cfainstitute.org.

About the CFA Program

The CFA Program sets a standard for developing the skills, standards, competence, and integrity of financial analysts, portfolio managers, investment advisers, and other investment professionals worldwide. It is widely considered the investment profession's most rigorous credentialing program. Administered in English, the CFA curriculum and examinations are identical worldwide. Fewer than one in five candidates who begin the program successfully complete it and go on to earn the coveted CFA charter, the "gold standard" for investment professionals.