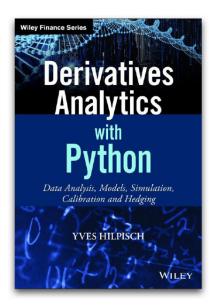


# UNIVERSITY CERTIFICATE IN PYTHON FOR COMPUTATIONAL FINANCE

**COMPUTATION-FIRST FINANCE WITH PYTHON** 



# COMPUTATION-FIRST FINANCE



Recent years have seen tremendous advances in computing, software and data science techniques. Problems in derivatives analytics and computational finance that might have seem to demanding only a few years ago can today be tackled with even open source programming tools and packages running on easily scalable infrastructures in the cloud.

In quantitative finance this has led to a shift to computational techniques from a theory-first approach. However, this also requires new tools and skills for those working in quantitative finance, be it in front office, middle office or back office functions.

As in many other areas, Python has become the programming language and technology platform of choice for computational finance. Some of the biggest financial institutions, such as Bank of America Merrill Lynch or JP Morgan, have implemented core trading and risk management systems in Python. Almost any job offering in the field today mentions Python as a necessary skill.

# **COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM**

We at The Python Quants Group have started using Python more than 10 years ago with the specific purpose of implementing computational finance algorithms. Based on the experience from numerous online and live training classes, we have compiled a unique program that teaches you all the relevant Python elements, approaches and techniques to be able to efficiently implement computational finance algorithms on your own. In this context, the program does not only teach specific Python techniques for computational finance but also general tools and skills helpful to build scalable applications.

The classes and elements of the program include the following:

**Finance with Python (6h):** an introduction to finance from basic principles and a gentle introduction to Python basics based on a documentation with more than 170 pages as PDF

**Python for Financial Data Science (20h):** with the 2nd edition of our **Python for Finance (O'Reilly)** book coming out in late 2018, this central class is based on an updated code base

**Python for Computational Finance (20h):** this online class is at the core of the program and is based mainly on the book **Derivatives Analytics with Python (Wiley)** and the 5,000+ lines of Python code accompanying it

**DX Analytics (10h):** this online class covers the DX Analytics derivatives pricing Python package (<a href="http://dx-analytics.com">http://dx-analytics.com</a>)

**Tools & Skills (20h):** these classes cover important topics in setting up a Python environment, using Python and Linux development tools as well as selected best practices in coding

**Tutorials (15h):** exercises and test projects of different difficulty levels allow you to gain more practice and to test your skills

**Add On Material (30+h):** for example, you get access to our Al in Finance, Python for Excel and Python for Databases classes; on our Quant Platform (<a href="http://pqp.io">http://pqp.io</a>), you find also recordings from talks and workshops given around the world that provide cutting edge insights and additional perspectives

**Practice Modules:** participants of the program take part in practice modules that deepen the understanding of the topics covered

# **UNIVERSITY CERTIFICATE**

The Python Quants Group has designed a unique online training program leading to the first University Certificate in Python for Computational Finance. The Certificate is awarded in cooperation with the htw saar University of Applied Sciences, Germany (http://htwsaar.de).

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Hochschule für Technik und Wirtschaf des Saarlandes University of Applied Sciences



## WHO IS THIS PROGRAM FOR?

**Professionals:** Those working already in the industry and wanting to use Python for computational finance, be it in their current role or to make the next career move. We have had students from leading corporate and investment banks as well as from hedge funds and asset managers.

**Students & Academics:** Those with educational and research interests in the field and looking for a professional online training program. The University Certificate represents 5 ECTS points in Europe which might be used in the context of a Master program in a related field.

# **HOW LONG IS THE PROGRAM?**

The main content of the program can be studied in a self-paced manner over the course of about 12 weeks. In addition, we offer participation practice modules to deepen the understanding of the topics covered. Once the student feels ready, work on the final, graded project, which is required for the Certificate, can be started. The results of the project are to be documented in the form of a Jupyter Notebook. The total duration of the mainly self-paced program is about **16 weeks**. There is **no hard time limit** to finish the program or the final project. In addition, students also have **unlimited access to all the resources**.



# WHAT ARE THE COSTS?

The price for the **University Certificate in Python for Computational Finance** program is **2,495 EUR** (all fees net of VAT if applicable). The program starts in the week from **18. May 2020**. It can be joined at any time and can be done in a completely self-paced manner. Prepare for your next strategic career move in a quantitative finance or financial engineering role and sign up via PayPal under <a href="http://compfinance.tpq.io">http://compfinance.tpq.io</a>. Or book the **Platinum Package** under <a href="http://platinum.tpq.io">http://platinum.tpq.io</a>.

1,999 EUR (until 04. April 2020) 2,245 EUR (until 02. May 2020)

2,495 EUR (from 03. May 2020)

# What others say about our other Python online training classes and programs:

"I find your course extremely informative and certainly one of the best educational programs I ever came across."

#### William Lawson

"I also take the opportunity to say that you guys have the best customer service I have ever experienced in my life. You immediately reply to all emails and inquiries, let alone the world-class quality of the training material. This is the best course I have ever done in my entire life and I am recommending it to anybody."

#### **Vito Turitto**

"Five days into the curriculum, and the value so far is already worth more than the total cost of the program. Good stuff."

#### **Eric Crittenden**

"In combining theoretical rigor and technology insights and expertise, Yves and his team at The Python Quants demonstrate why they are one of the go-to groups in computational finance."

#### **Mads Jensen**

"Thanks again for the course and I must once again congratulate you on a fantastic course and learning environment with the Python Quant Platform."

#### **Martin McGovern**

"I highly recommend this class to anyone who is interested in a career in finance. The class is engaging, interesting and educational while covering advanced topics of algorithmic trading and derivative pricing. Dr. Hilpisch is a masterful instructor who demonstrates a keen interest in imparting his vast knowledge to his students."

#### Donald McLeod

#### **PROGRAM DIRECTOR**

Dr. Yves J. Hilpisch is founder and CEO of The Python Quants (http://tpq.io), a group focusing on the use of open source technologies for financial data science, artificial intelligence, algorithmic trading and computational finance. He is also founder and CEO of The AI Machine (http://aimachine.io), a company focused on AI-powered algorithmic trading.

He is author of the books:

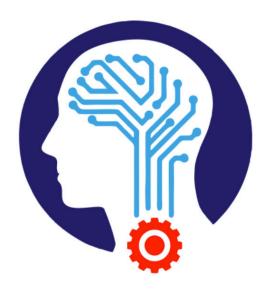
- Artificial Intelligence in Finance (project, O'Reilly)
- Python for Algorithmic Trading (project, O'Reilly)
- Python for Finance, 2nd ed. (O'Reilly)
- Derivatives Analytics with Python (Wiley)
- Listed Volatility and Variance Derivatives (Wiley)

He has written the financial analytics library DX Analytics (http://dx-analytics.com) and organizes conferences, bootcamps and Meetup events about Python for finance and algorithmic trading in Frankfurt, Berlin, Paris, London and New York. He has given keynote speeches at technology conferences in the United States, Europe, India and Asia.

"... training should focus on doing rather than on knowing."

Anders Ericsson, Peak — Secrets from the New Science of Expertise.





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