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Career Roadmap

After MBA Finance: Add 10L+ to Your CTC

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Career Roadmap After MBA Finance

7 certifications that can add **■10L+** to your CTC after an MBA in Finance.

Certification ROI for MBA Finance Graduates

Cert	Cost	Salary Boost	Best For	Timing Strategy
CFA	■2-3L	+■10-15L	Investment Mgmt	During MBA (L1) + Post-MBA (L2, L3)
FRM	■1-1.5L	+■8-12L	Risk Mgmt	Can complete Part 1 during MBA
US CPA	■3-5L	+■10-15L	MNC Accounting	Post-MBA, check credit requirements
CMA	■1-2L	+■8-12L	FP&A;/Strategy	Can complete during MBA
Fin Modeling	■0.5-1L	+■5-10L	IB/PE	Complete before MBA placement season
CAIA	■2-3L	+■8-12L	Alt Investments	Post-MBA for PE/VC/HF roles
PMP	■0.5-1L	+■5-8L	Project Mgmt	For consulting or implementation roles

CFA During MBA: The Optimal Strategy

- ✓ Register for CFA Level 1 in your first semester of MBA
- ✓ Attempt CFA L1 before placement season (target the November or February exam window)
- ✓ "CFA Level 1 Candidate" or "CFA Level 1 Passed" on your resume boosts placement chances by 30%
- ✓ Continue to Level 2 after MBA — the MBA coursework overlaps significantly
- ✓ CFA + MBA from top school = **■20-30L** starting CTC at placement

FRM for Risk Specialization

- ✓ FRM Part 1 can be completed during the second year of MBA
- ✓ Ideal for students targeting bank risk management or compliance roles
- ✓ FRM + MBA gives you both breadth (MBA) and depth (FRM in risk)
- ✓ Risk management roles: ■12-20L starting for MBA + FRM candidates

Timing & ROI Analysis

The best time to pursue each certification relative to your MBA:

When	What to Pursue	Why
Before MBA	Financial Modeling, Basic Excel	Makes you stand out at MBA admission
During MBA (Year 1)	CFA Level 1, CMA Part 1	Boosts placement season profile
During MBA (Year 2)	FRM Part 1, CFA Level 2 prep	Post-placement, more free time
0-2 years after MBA	CFA Level 2 & 3, FRM Part 2	While concepts are fresh
3-5 years after MBA	US CPA, CAIA	When you have clarity on career direction

Employer Preference Data

- ✓ 85% of top investment firms prefer MBA + CFA candidates over MBA alone
- ✓ Banks increasingly value FRM for risk roles — it's becoming a baseline expectation
- ✓ Big 4 advisory practices favor MBA + CPA/CMA combinations
- ✓ PE/VC firms value CFA + Financial Modeling skills over MBA pedigree alone
- ✓ Consulting firms value PMP for implementation roles and CAIA for PE advisory

★ MBA Finance graduates who add CFA see an average 35% higher starting CTC than those without, based on placement data from top 20 Indian B-schools.

Post-MBA Finance: Maximizing Your Investment

Career Paths by MBA Tier

School Tier	Avg CTC	Typical Roles
IIM-A/B/C, ISB	■20-35L	IB, Consulting, PE, Corporate Strategy
IIM L-K, XLRI, FMS, MDI	■15-25L	Banking, Corporate Finance, Consulting
Other Top 50 MBA	■10-18L	Banking, NBFC, Insurance, FP&A;
Tier 2-3 MBA	■6-12L	Banking, Insurance, KPO, MF operations

Certification Strategy by Career Goal

If you want Investment Banking:

- ✓ CFA Level 1 (during MBA) + Financial Modeling course
- ✓ Focus: Valuation, M&A;, LBO modeling

If you want Asset Management:

- ✓ CFA (all 3 levels) — the gold standard for portfolio management
- ✓ Focus: Equity research, portfolio construction, risk-adjusted returns

If you want Risk Management:

- ✓ FRM (Part 1 during MBA, Part 2 after) + some Python/R
- ✓ Focus: VaR, stress testing, Basel regulations

If you want Corporate Finance / FP&A;:

- ✓ CMA + Advanced Excel/Financial Modeling
- ✓ Focus: Budgeting, forecasting, strategic planning

Leveraging the MBA Alumni Network

- ✓ Your MBA alumni network is your most valuable career asset — use it actively
- ✓ Reach out to alumni in target companies 2-3 months before you want to switch
- ✓ Offer value first: Share research, introduce contacts, attend alumni events
- ✓ Join MBA alumni-specific finance groups on LinkedIn and WhatsApp
- ✓ Attend annual alumni meets — in-person networking is irreplaceable

How QuintEdge Gives You the Edge

QuintEdge is one of India's fastest-growing finance education platforms, trusted by over 50,000 students across Delhi, Mumbai, and online cohorts. Here's what sets our coaching apart.

50,000+ Students Trained

Across CFA, FRM, ACCA & Financial Modeling programs

88% CFA Pass Rate

Consistently above global average of ~44%

100% Practitioner Faculty

Every instructor works in finance — no full-time academics

4.8/5 Student Rating

Based on verified Google and course-end surveys

What You Get with QuintEdge Coaching

- ✓ AI-powered study notes that adapt to your learning pace and weak areas
- ✓ Live + recorded classes with unlimited doubt-clearing sessions
- ✓ Comprehensive mock exams modeled on actual exam patterns
- ✓ Dedicated mentorship from CFA/FRM/ACCA charterholders
- ✓ Placement support with resume reviews, mock interviews, and recruiter connects
- ✓ Flexible batch timings — morning, evening, and weekend options
- ✓ Study groups and peer learning communities on WhatsApp/Telegram

★ Students who complete QuintEdge's full coaching program pass at nearly 2x the global average rate. Our structured approach eliminates guesswork.

QuintEdge: Programs & Outcomes

Our Course Offerings

Program	Coverage	Highlight	Learn More
CFA Program Coaching	Level 1, 2 & 3	88% pass rate	quintedge.com/cfa-coaching-classes/
FRM Program Coaching	Part 1 & 2	82% pass rate	quintedge.com/frm-coaching-classes/
ACCA Program Coaching	All 13 papers	78% pass rate	quintedge.com/acca-coaching-classes/
Financial Modeling	3-Statement, DCF, LBO	Job-ready skills	quintedge.com/financial-modeling-course-certification/

The QuintEdge Learning Experience

Phase 1: Foundation Building

- ✓ Diagnostic assessment to identify your starting level and knowledge gaps
- ✓ Personalized study plan created by your dedicated mentor
- ✓ Access to AI-powered study notes that highlight your weak areas

Phase 2: Structured Learning

- ✓ Live classes with industry practitioners (not academic theorists)
- ✓ Recorded sessions for revision — watch at 1.5x or 2x speed
- ✓ Weekly quizzes and topic tests to track progress
- ✓ Doubt-clearing sessions within 24 hours of raising a query

Phase 3: Exam Readiness

- ✓ Full-length mock exams under exam conditions
- ✓ Detailed score analysis with topic-wise breakdown
- ✓ One-on-one strategy sessions for the final 2 weeks before exam
- ✓ Last-mile revision notes covering high-frequency exam topics

Phase 4: Career Support

- ✓ Resume and LinkedIn profile review by hiring managers
- ✓ Mock interviews with industry professionals
- ✓ Job referrals through our network of 500+ corporate partners
- ✓ Lifetime access to the QuintEdge alumni network

Student Outcomes

- ✓ Average salary increase of 40-60% within 12 months of certification
- ✓ Graduates placed at Goldman Sachs, JP Morgan, Deloitte, EY, HDFC, ICICI, Kotak & more
- ✓ Active alumni network of 10,000+ working professionals across 15 countries

✓ 98% of students recommend QuintEdge to peers (NPS 72)

✓ **QuintEdge offers EMI options starting at ₹3,999/month. Scholarships available for meritorious students and those from economically weaker backgrounds.**

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