

PX CONFERENCE REPORT

DETAILS

Date:	July 16-September 2, 2025	Conference:	Managerial Finance Certificate
Time:	asynchronous	Location:	The London School of
PX:	Joel Swaan		Economics & Political Science (virtual)

SUMMARY

This summer, as part of my Governance & Fiduciary Education training, I enrolled in a certificate course on Managerial Finance from The London School of Economics and Political Science. It was a 6-week course, with a one-week orientation, and approximately 10 hours per week of work.

The six weeks were broken down into the following components: Financial Statement Analysis, Financial Forecasting, Discounted Cash Flow Analysis, Optimal Investing, Funding Strategies, and Valuing Entire Companies. Each unit comprised of lots of reading, small group discussion, evaluations and quizzes, and several assignments – mostly requiring a strong use of Microsoft Excel.

Usually in my reports I like to include some key takeaways or thoughts that I think can benefit the organization. In this case, this class was more about formulae and calculations, and using the data calculated to make informed financial decisions.

It was a lot of information, and sometimes I was swimming in the deep end. However, I'm grateful for the learning, and for the opportunity to participate in this program. It has stretched me in new ways that I hope will bring value to my work with the MTS budget and audit processes.

Respectfully submitted,



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