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# Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA®)

DECEMBER 2007 EXAM

FTC Kaplan and Schweser -  
an unbeatable combination  
in CFA® training

50 years training experience in  
UK and Asia

Longest established  
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## An Unbeatable Combination

FTC Kaplan and Schweser are both part of the Kaplan Group. The core of our offering is a unique combination of exceptional classroom course delivery by our experienced team of lecturers and market-leading Schweser materials.

Candidates can purchase a variety of Schweser study tools from us:

- Schweser's Study Notes
- Practice Exam Book
- SchweserPro™ QBank
- Flashcards
- Video CDs
- Audio CDs
- Secret Sauce™ Book
- CFA Fundamentals Book

## Why FTC Kaplan?

- Longest established CFA training provider
- Over 3,000 CFA students trained by us
- Dedicated and experienced CFA lecturers who are Charterholders
- Offer more classes than any other training providers
- Flexible study options to suit your needs
- Integrated Schweser and classroom materials
- Value for money. FTC Kaplan courses include more face-to-face tuition than those of other providers
- 15% discount on selected Schweser products for FTC Kaplan students

## VALUE-ADDED SERVICES FROM FTC KAPLAN

### Online test

FTC Kaplan is the first and only training provider to offer candidates regular online tests to gauge their level of understanding of the syllabus taught in class. Questions will be set in a multiple choice format and candidates will get the results instantly.

### Tutored course material

Candidates will receive our slide packs for each subject, fully integrated with the Schweser study material. Each slide contains the (LOS) reference and a description. All examples used are unique.

### Mindmaps and revision summaries

The mindmaps have proven to be an invaluable revision aid.

### Revision question banks

Candidates will receive additional questions for each subject in addition to Schweser's Study Notes.

### Invigilated and marked mock exams

Our exam standard mock exams are marked and graded, since it is essential to have a 'dry run' prior to the real exams.

### Online test reviews

An open discussion session with lecturers to review online test questions. FREE for all FTC Kaplan students enrolled on FTC Kaplan Premier Package.

### Library facilities

FTC Kaplan candidates are advised to review the assigned texts. All relevant readings are available for candidates to loan.



## Why choose FTC Kaplan for your CFA® studies?

You have chosen to sit for the CFA® exam as you recognize the value that current and future employers place on the commitment and technical excellence demonstrated by Charterholders.

When you choose your lecturers for CFA® preparation you do so because you value excellence in your lecturers, study materials, and customer service - this makes FTC Kaplan your preferred choice and essential complement to the assigned CFA curriculum.

FTC Kaplan is the longest established training provider for CFA courses in the UK and Asia and is part of Kaplan Group together with Schweser™ - widely recognized as the leading provider of CFA material.

We work together across UK, US, Europe and Asia to ensure all of our students across the globe have access to the best courses and materials.

## Study Options

### FTC KAPLAN PREMIER PACKAGES — Structured Education Course With Full Lecturer Support (Jul to Oct 2007)

For many candidates, the subject material at each level is new, or was studied many years ago. Much of the material requires dedicated study to master the concepts. FTC Kaplan's Premier Packages are designed to take candidates through the topics with clear and thorough explanation, making home study far more productive.

Level I FTC Kaplan Premier Package gives students a choice of weekday evenings or weekend classes. This gives candidates greater choice and flexibility and allows them to fit their studies around work and other commitments.

Our Premier Package includes Education Course and Revision Course. **It also includes a FREE set of Schweser's Study Notes, SchweserPro™ QBank-Online Version, Online Tests, Mock Exams and Mock Reviews**

FREE RE-SIT  
OF REVISION  
COURSE &  
MOCK EXAM

At FTC Kaplan, we are confident that our high level of instruction complemented by Schweser's study tools and the assigned CFA curriculum will provide a complete learning experience to prepare you for the CFA Exam. If you enrolled in our Premier Package and in the event you have to re-sit for the examination, we offer you a FREE re-sit of Revision Course and Mock Exam (terms and conditions apply).

We strongly recommend candidates to take advantage of our Premier Packages offered to provide the best value.

### REVISION COURSE (Oct/Nov 2007)

Our Revision Course allows students to crystallize and refresh their understanding of topics. Another major benefit of our Revision Course is the ability to focus on exam technique. Our lecturers will work with you to ensure that you have a strategy to maximize your potential to pass.

The 8-session Revision Course aims to cover topic areas in overview with additional detailed review for the more difficult concepts. This is backed up with question practice to ensure that candidates feel comfortable in applying their knowledge to exam standard questions.

#### Revision Course features:

- Exam techniques
- Revision topic overview slide packs
- Re-visit of difficult topic areas
- Topic overviews
- Question banks
- Question practice



### MOCK EXAMINATIONS/MOCK REVIEWS

FTC Kaplan offers a full six-hour mock exam at each level. Candidates will receive a breakdown of score by topics.

It is very important to practice taking the exam in timed conditions - don't leave it to the day to practice your timings. Treat the mock exams as a dry run for the real CFA® examinations.

#### Features:

- Morning and afternoon papers
- Exam standard papers
- Fully explained answers
- Full simulation of exam conditions
- Marked "on the curve" like the real exam
- Results provided in CFA® Institute format

### HOME STUDY PACKAGE — SchweserOnline™

This option is available to those unable to attend tutorials or who prefer to study independently.

The SchweserOnline™ contains the following:

- Schweser's Study Notes (pdf and physical) includes:
  - Schweser's Quicksheet™
  - Schweser Study Planner™
  - Office Faculty Hours
  - Kick-off Seminar
  - Level-Specific Blog
  - Five streaming videos from the Schweser Library
- SchweserPro™ QBank - Online Version
- 16-Week Online Seminar
- Final Review Pack (Secret Sauce™ eBook, Online Practice Exams and Final Review Workshops)

## Course Fees for December 2007 Exams

### FTC PREMIER PACKAGES

Level I	<b>Package A</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Education Course (20 sessions)</li> <li>• Online Test &amp; Review (4 sessions)</li> <li>• Revision Course (8 sessions)</li> <li>• Mock Exam</li> <li>• Mock Review</li> <li>• Schweser's Study Notes &amp; SchweserPro™ QBank (Online Version)</li> </ul>	\$2,950
	<b>Package B</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Education Course (18 sessions)</li> <li>• Online Test</li> <li>• Revision Course (8 sessions)</li> <li>• Mock Exam</li> <li>• Mock Review</li> <li>• Schweser's Study Notes &amp; SchweserPro™ QBank (Online Version)</li> </ul>	\$2,550

### REVISION COURSES

Level I		8 sessions — 24 hours of instruction	\$800
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### MOCK EXAMS

Level I	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mock Exam</li> <li>• Mock Review</li> </ul>	\$100 discount for FTC students*	\$250
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\* Terms and conditions apply (please contact FTC Kaplan for more details).

### HOME STUDY PACKAGES

SchweserOnline™	Level I		\$1,200
SchweserOnline™ Plus I	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Revision Course (8 sessions)</li> <li>• SchweserOnline™ (Level I)</li> <li>• Free Mock Exam &amp; Review</li> </ul>		\$1,900

Above prices subject to GST and do not include CFA® enrollment and registration fees.

## Privileges and Discounts

**FREE** set of Schweser's Study Notes, SchweserPro™ QBank-Online Version, Online Tests, Mock Exams and Mock Reviews when enrolling in FTC Kaplan Premier Packages.

### Introduce a Friend Reward Scheme

- FTC Kaplan students who recommend their friends (must be new students) to sign up for FTC Kaplan Premier Package will get **\$100 cash voucher**. (Conditions Apply)

**10% Loyalty Discount for FTC Kaplan-CFA and FTC Kaplan-ACCA** Students when enrolling in FTC Kaplan Premier Package. (Conditions Apply)

**15% Discount** for FTC Kaplan-CFA current students on selected Schweser Individual Products. (Conditions Apply)

## Class Schedule for December 2007 Exams

LEVEL I		EDUCATION COURSE LECTURER	CLASS 1A 24 SESSIONS Esther Thng			CLASS 1B 24 SESSIONS Esther Thng		
SESSION	TOPIC		DATE	DAY	TIME	DATE	DAY	TIME
1	Portfolio Management and Quantitative Methods		02 Jul	Mon	7pm-10pm	26 Jul	Thu	7pm-10pm
2	Quantitative Methods		09 Jul	Mon	7pm-10pm	02 Aug	Thu	7pm-10pm
3	Quantitative Methods		13 Jul	Fri	7pm-10pm	05 Aug	Sun	10am-1pm
4	Quantitative Methods and Corporate Finance		16 Jul	Mon	7pm-10pm	05 Aug	Sun	2pm-5pm
5	Corporate Finance	ONLINE TEST 1	20 Jul	Fri	7pm-10pm	16 Aug	Thu	7pm-10pm
6	Financial Statement Analysis		23 Jul	Mon	7pm-10pm	19 Aug	Sun	10am-1pm
	<b>Review of Test 1</b>		<b>27 Jul</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>7pm-9pm</b>	<b>19 Aug</b>	<b>Sun</b>	<b>2pm-4pm</b>
7	Financial Statement Analysis		30 Jul	Mon	7pm-10pm	23 Aug	Thu	7pm-10pm
8	Financial Statement Analysis		03 Aug	Fri	7pm-10pm	26 Aug	Sun	10am-1pm
9	Financial Statement Analysis		06 Aug	Mon	7pm-10pm	26 Aug	Sun	2pm-5pm
10	Financial Statement Analysis	ONLINE TEST 2	13 Aug	Mon	7pm-10pm	30 Aug	Thu	7pm-10pm
11	Securities Market and Alternative Investments		17 Aug	Fri	7pm-10pm	06 Sep	Thu	7pm-10pm
	<b>Review of Test 2</b>		<b>20 Aug</b>	<b>Mon</b>	<b>7pm-9pm</b>	<b>09 Sep</b>	<b>Sun</b>	<b>10am-12pm</b>
12	Equities		24 Aug	Fri	7pm-10pm	09 Sep	Sun	1pm-4pm
13	Debt Investments		27 Aug	Mon	7pm-10pm	13 Sep	Thu	7pm-10pm
14	Debt Investments		31 Aug	Fri	7pm-10pm	16 Sep	Sun	10am-1pm
15	Debt and Derivative Investments		03 Sep	Mon	7pm-10pm	16 Sep	Sun	2pm-5pm
16	Derivative Investments		07 Sep	Fri	7pm-10pm	20 Sep	Thu	7pm-10pm
17	Derivative Investments	ONLINE TEST 3	10 Sep	Mon	7pm-10pm	27 Sep	Thu	7pm-10pm
18	Economics		14 Sep	Fri	7pm-10pm	30 Sep	Sun	10am-1pm
	<b>Review of Test 3</b>		<b>17 Sep</b>	<b>Mon</b>	<b>7pm-9pm</b>	<b>30 Sep</b>	<b>Sun</b>	<b>2pm-4pm</b>
19	Economics		21 Sep	Fri	7pm-10pm	04 Oct	Thu	7pm-10pm
20	Ethics	ONLINE TEST 4	24 Sep	Mon	7pm-10pm	07 Oct	Sun	10am-1pm
	<b>Review of Test 4</b>		<b>28 Sep</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>7pm-9pm</b>	<b>11 Oct</b>	<b>Thu</b>	<b>7pm-9pm</b>

## Class Schedule for December 2007 Exams

LEVEL I		EDUCATION COURSE LECTURER	CLASS 1C 18 SESSIONS Ng Lye Heng		
SESSION	TOPIC		DATE	DAY	TIME
1	Portfolio Management, Equities and Securities Market		12 Aug	Sun	10am-1pm
2	Portfolio Management, Equities and Securities Market		12 Aug	Sun	2pm-5pm
3	Corporate Finance and Alternative Investments		19 Aug	Sun	10am-1pm
4	Corporate Finance and Alternative Investments	ONLINE TEST 1	19 Aug	Sun	2pm-5pm
5	Quantitative Methods		26 Aug	Sun	10am-1pm
6	Quantitative Methods		26 Aug	Sun	2pm-5pm
7	Quantitative Methods and Ethics		02 Sep	Sun	10am-1pm
8	Quantitative Methods and Ethics	ONLINE TEST 2	02 Sep	Sun	2pm-5pm
9	Financial Statement Analysis		09 Sep	Sun	10am-1pm
10	Financial Statement Analysis		09 Sep	Sun	2pm-5pm
11	Financial Statement Analysis		16 Sep	Sun	10am-1pm
12	Financial Statement Analysis	ONLINE TEST 3	16 Sep	Sun	2pm-5pm
13	Economics		23 Sep	Sun	10am-1pm
14	Economics		23 Sep	Sun	2pm-5pm
15	Debt Investments		30 Sep	Sun	10am-1pm
16	Debt Investments		30 Sep	Sun	2pm-5pm
17	Derivative Investments		07 Oct	Sun	10am-1pm
18	Derivative Investments	ONLINE TEST 4	07 Oct	Sun	2pm-5pm



## Class Schedule for December 2007 Exams

### REVISION COURSE

LEVEL I LECTURER	L1Ra Esther Thng	L1Rb Esther Thng	L1Rc Ng Lye Heng
S* TOPIC	DATE DAY TIME	DATE DAY TIME	DATE DAY TIME
1 Quantitative Methods	08 Oct Mon 7pm-10pm	16 Oct Tue 7pm-10pm	14 Oct Sun 10am-1pm
2 Financial Statement Analysis	12 Oct Fri 7pm-10pm	18 Oct Thu 7pm-10pm	14 Oct Sun 2pm-5pm
3 Financial Statement Analysis	15 Oct Mon 7pm-10pm	23 Oct Tue 7pm-10pm	21 Oct Sun 10am-1pm
4 Portfolio Management and Corporate Finance	19 Oct Fri 7pm-10pm	25 Oct Thu 7pm-10pm	21 Oct Sun 2pm-5pm
5 Debt Investments	22 Oct Mon 7pm-10pm	30 Oct Tue 7pm-10pm	28 Oct Sun 10am-1pm
6 Securities Markets, Equity and Alternatives Investments	26 Oct Fri 7pm-10pm	01 Nov Thu 7pm-10pm	28 Oct Sun 2pm-5pm
7 Derivative Investments and Ethics	29 Oct Mon 7pm-10pm	08 Nov Thu 10am-1pm	04 Nov Sun 10am-1pm
8 Ethics and Economics	02 Nov Fri 7pm-10pm	08 Nov Thu 2pm-5pm	04 Nov Sun 2pm-5pm

\* S – Session Number

### MOCK EXAM

Level	Date	Day	Time
I	17 Nov	Sat	10am-1pm
I	17 Nov	Sat	2pm-5pm

### MOCK REVIEW

Level	Date	Day	Time
I	21 Nov	Wed	7pm-10pm



## CFA® PROGRAM INFORMATION

### WHY BECOME A CFA® CHARTERHOLDER?

The worldwide recognition of the qualification will give your employers an instant appreciation of the level and depth of your knowledge of financial markets. You will learn how to analyze equities, bonds, derivatives and financial statements effectively, thus enhancing your business ability in these areas. It is acknowledged that the added value that you will bring to your employer by gaining this qualification is often reflected in your remuneration. The CFA® qualification has long been recognized as an equivalent to an MBA but the latest CFA Institute survey supports the fact that CFA Charterholders earn more than those who only hold an MBA.

### WHAT IS THE CFA® PROGRAM?

The Chartered Financial Analyst® (CFA®) program is the professional qualification administered and awarded by the CFA Institute, based in the United States.

The program enjoying dramatic growth worldwide, which the CFA Institute attributes to the relevance of the syllabus, the rigour of the examination and the high standards of professionalism that it demands. In short, it is becoming the accepted benchmark for technical excellence in the financial markets.

Candidates must pass three levels of examinations sequentially. Each level is based on the same 'body of knowledge' and candidates face six hours of examination, a three-hour morning session and a three-hour afternoon session.

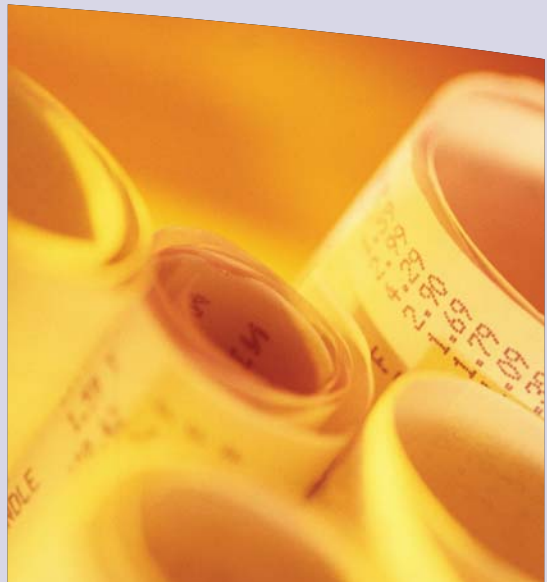
Sittings for CFA Level 1 take place twice a year (3 June and 2 December 2007).

The CFA Institute has written "...successful CFA candidates spend, on average more than 250 hours per level preparing for the examination."

While taking a CFA course with FTC Kaplan will enhance your understanding of the material, it is important not to underestimate your commitment to self study when preparing for the CFA exam.

### WHAT IS THE ENTRANCE REQUIREMENT?

To register for the CFA® program, you must have either a bachelor's degree or four years of professional work experience. As both the course and exam are highly technical, your numeric ability should be above average.



## CFA® PROGRAM INFORMATION

### CFA INSTITUTE REGISTRATION & ENROLLMENT FEES

Applicants pay an initial registration fee upon entering the CFA® program.

In addition to the initial registration fee, applicants are required to pay an enrollment fee for each examination.

New registrants pay both the registration and enrollment fees. Returning candidates pay only the enrollment fee.

These costs are separate from FTC Kaplan course fees described in the brochure.

#### 2007 Fee schedule

Fees For New Candidates	Payment Deadlines		
	15 Mar 07	15 Aug 07	17 Sep 07
Registration Fee (one-time)	US\$390	US\$390	US\$465
Exam Fee: Level I Enrollment	US\$370	US\$455	US\$690
<b>Total cost to enter the CFA program</b>	<b>US\$760</b>	<b>US\$845</b>	<b>US\$1,155</b>

- Application and payment must be received by CFA Institute midnight EST on the dates indicated.  
Registration and enrollment fees are non-transferable and non-refundable.

### CFA® EXAMINATION TOPIC

#### Topic Area Weights for the CFA Exam

Topic Area	Level I
Ethical and Professional Standards <small>TOTAL</small>	10 - 20
Quantitative Methods	7 - 17
Economics	5 - 15
Financial Statement Analysis	15 - 25
Corporate Finance	3 - 13
Investment Tools <small>TOTAL</small>	45 - 55
Analysis of Equity Investments	5 - 15
Analysis of Fixed Income Investments	5 - 15
Analysis of Derivatives	0 - 10
Analysis of Alternative Investments	0 - 10
Asset Valuation <small>TOTAL</small>	25 - 35
Portfolio Management <small>TOTAL</small>	0 - 10
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Note** These weights are intended to guide the curriculum and examination developments processes.  
Actual exam weights may vary slightly from year to year. Please note that some topics are combined for testing purposes.



## STUDENT'S INSIGHTS

"I greatly enjoyed Esther's lectures. I've learned the finance material some 15 years ago but I understand it so much better this time round. Esther is much clearer than the professors I've had."

— **S I Chang (Level I)**

"FTC Kaplan's course notes are comprehensive and most of all they have succeeded in making complex topics easy to digest. I found FTC Kaplan's course lecturers and revision instructors approachable and eager to help their students succeed. The lectures were full of useful exam-taking hints, which helped take the stress out of the whole CFA® exam-taking experience."

— **Elan Cohen (Level III)**

"I have no financial background and FTC Kaplan has greatly enhanced my chances of passing Level I. FTC Kaplan lecturers are professional, knowledgeable and willing to help students beyond class hours. The course focuses on essential exam areas and the notes are well-written."

— **Dallas Chee (Level I)**

"Getting the best lecturer is one of the most important criteria to look for when signing up for a course. Esther is definitely one of them. Her greatest strength lies in her method of teaching which is extremely exam-focused. She explains clearly and makes difficult concepts easy to grasp. I would like to thank her for replying to all my questions which I had sent her through countless emails."

— **Juay Hung Chiu (Level II)**

"I did all my three levels of CFA courses with FTC Kaplan. The reason for completing the CFA courses with FTC Kaplan was that the lecturers focused on areas that were more important for the exam and were able to simplify difficult topics. They were also willing to teach beyond class hours."

— **Lim Wei Siong (Level III)**

## FTC KAPLAN CFA® LECTURERS

**Esther Thng****CFA, BA, FRM, M.SOC.SCI (Applied Economics)**

Esther is a CFA® Charterholder and a member of Singapore Society of Financial Analysts. She graduated with honours and holds a Bachelor of Accountancy from the National University of Singapore. She also holds a Masters of Social Sciences (Applied Economics) from the National University of Singapore and was awarded the Lim Chong Yah gold medal for her excellent academic performance by the same university. She has extensive experience working in the financial sector in the areas of research, investment valuation, financial analysis and forecasting. Esther has been a full-time lecturer with FTC Kaplan since 2000. Esther is well liked by her students and is known for her ability to translate difficult and complex concepts into easy to understand terms. She also lectures on FTC Kaplan's corporate finance courses to both local and overseas clients. Her corporate clients include statutory bodies and well-known financial institutions.

**Ng Lye Heng****CFA, FRM, B.BUS (Financial Analysis),  
M.SOC.SCI (Applied Economics)**

Lye Heng is a CFA® Charterholder and a member of Singapore Society of Financial Analysts. He holds a Bachelor of Business Degree from Nanyang Technological University and a Masters of Social Sciences (Applied Economics) from the National University of Singapore. Lye Heng is an authority in the areas of Financial Derivatives Trading, Risk Managing and Product Structuring. He has served as Principal Derivative Trader and Risk Manager for various international banks. Over the years, Lye Heng has also trained extensively in Singapore and overseas. He has trained CFA® and Certified Financial Planners<sup>CM</sup> (CFP)<sup>CM</sup> candidates for the past 8 years.



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