The goal of the program is to provide financial institutions with the strategies they need to penetrate the SME market and introduce new management skills and tools to finance SMEs’ growth on a sustainable and profitable basis. The program also aims to give government officials an understanding of the macroeconomic policies needed to promote the financing of SMEs by banks.
Queen's University is offering its cutting-edge program on Financial Institutions for Private Enterprise Growth (FIPEG) for professionals who wish to learn about the latest innovations and strategies in the area of small and medium enterprise (SME) finance. Based on international best practices, this two-week program provides professionals with the new operational techniques, banking business models, and innovations that are required to build and maintain a successful SME banking portfolio.

Furthermore, the program provides participants with the relationship management tools for SME customer satisfaction, and will create awareness of the opportunities and threats arising from fintech companies. The program also gives senior government officials an understanding of the macroeconomic policies needed for sustainable SME finance.
WHO SHOULD PARTICIPATE?

FIPEG has been designed for professionals in financial institutions, government agencies, NGOs, and international organizations that recognize the potential and importance of financing SMEs. These include:

- Commercial, investment and specialized banks
- Financial development corporations
- Central banks
- Government ministries
- Multilateral and bilateral development assistance agencies
- Non-governmental organizations
- Banking sector consultants and trainers
The curriculum covers how to profitably penetrate the SME market, forms of SME finance, risk management, and the policy framework for SME finance.

**PENETRATION OF SME MARKET**
- Digitalization of SME finance
- Market penetration through fintechs
- Digitalization and customer experience management
- Open banking and partnering with fintechs
- Developing customized financial products and services
- Providing non-financial services to SMEs

**FORMS OF SME FINANCE**
- Alternative financing in lending
- Agricultural lending and value chain finance
- Financing women entrepreneurs
- Financing fast-growing innovative SMEs
- Financing digitalization of SMEs
- Financing start-ups: Venture capital for SMEs

**RISK MANAGEMENT**
- New tech for AML/KYC and other compliance
- Platforms for digitalization of banking
- Risk management tools in SME finance
- Managing non-performing SME loans
- Fintech companies: opportunities and threats for banks

**POLICY FRAMEWORK**
- Data access and governance
- Policies for data localization and use of cloud
- Regulation and licensing of alternative financiers
- Government policies and access to finance

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STUDY METHOD

The program consists of core lectures, case studies, group discussions, and presentations of successful country experiences. FIPEG has been designed to immerse participants in an interactive teaching and learning approach in which they learn how to tackle the challenging issues associated with serving SMEs in their work environment.

QUEEN’S UNIVERSITY

The program takes place on the historic campus of Queen’s University in Kingston, Ontario, Canada. Queen’s University was established by a Royal Charter issued by Queen Victoria in 1841. It is one of Canada’s most distinguished and prestigious universities.

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Kingston is located on Lake Ontario, mid-way between Toronto and Montreal, and close to Ottawa, the national capital. Kingston was established in 1669 and was the first capital of Canada. The city has a rich architectural heritage and spectacular waterfront location, making it one of Canada’s premier tourist destinations.
Admissions, Costs, and Funding

Costs and Funding
The program fee is US$8,900 per participant. This fee includes tuition, housing, health insurance, course materials, and social events, but does not include the cost of airfare and meals.

Sponsorship
Sponsorship is normally provided by the participant’s employer or by other funding organizations. Agencies that offer financial assistance for training include: UNDP (United Nations Development Program), UNIDO (United Nations Industrial Development Organization), World Bank, International Finance Corporation (IFC), Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), Asian Development Bank (ADB), and African Development Bank (AfDB).

Admissions Policy
The program is open to persons holding a university degree in economics, finance, management, accounting, banking, or a related discipline. Prior work experience is taken into consideration.

How to Apply
Applications may be submitted electronically via our website: jdintl.econ.queensu.ca/training/online-application

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FACULTY

The faculty are distinguished practitioners and scholars in the field of micro, small and medium enterprise finance from Harvard University, Queen’s University, the World Bank, IFC, and a number of leading commercial and development banks from North America and Europe.

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