



INVHESTIA FINANCIAL MODELLING COMPETITION 2025

Frequently Asked Questions

1. What is the InVestia Financial Modeling Competition?

The InVestia Financial Modelling Competition bridges the gap between classroom theory and real-world practice by equipping university students with skills that employers value most. As a corporate and project finance advisory firm, we know that graduates who can build clear, standardized financial models stand out in today's job market.

Now in its **10th year**, this inter-university competition trains students in the internationally recognized [FAST Standard](#) for financial modelling helping prepare future financial, investment, and research analysts to thrive in their careers.

2. When is the competition?

The competition begins online at **12:01 a.m. 27th October 2025** and runs up to **11:59 p.m. 2nd November 2025**. This gives you ample time to tackle the case study that we will share and refer to our free introductory course to financial modelling. We promise to go easy on you!

3. What's in it for me?

The top 10 participants will win:

- Internships at top financial institutions
- Full InVestia Corporate Finance and Valuation course
- Free access to F1F9 Excel Proficiency Skills Course
- **Paid FAST Standard Level 1 Certification**

4. Who can participate?

If you are a registered student from any university then you are legible to participate.

5. Is it only for students?

Yes, you must be a registered student of a university or college.

6. Do I need to pay?

No 😊 **Participation is completely free.**

7. What do I need for the competition?

- A laptop or computer with Microsoft Excel installed.
- Completion of our free introductory course **FM100** on learn.investia.com.
- Enthusiasm and a willingness to learn!

8. Can I enter the competition without attending face-to-face training?

Yes. You can complete all the learning online through **FM100** on our platform. However, in-person sessions offer additional networking, Q&A opportunities, and live guidance.

9. How do I enter the competition?

- Sign up or log in at learn.investia.com.
- Enrol in **FM100** and complete the training.
- Access the competition case study once it is released on **27th October 2025**. Download the Case Study and Start File and start working on your financial model.
- Build and submit your model before the deadline. Pay close attention to the instructions on the first sheet of the start file.

10. In case I have made corrections to my already submitted model, can I re-submit?

Yes you can re-submit your model solution. We will mark your final submission as long as it is sent before the deadline.

11. What key things are looked at when marking my model?

- a) **FAST Compliant:** This means that you must use the FAST Standard when carrying out the financial model. A copy of the FAST standard is available for free download at www.fast-standard.org
- b) **Accuracy:** Your solution should be accurate.
- c) **Model Structure and flow:** Your model should have a good structure and flow.

12. Do I get a certificate for participating?

Yes. All participants who submit their model before the deadline will receive a certificate of participation.

For more information or queries, go to learn.investia.com

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