

Spring 2017 SIPA Capstone Student Application

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Graduation Date	May 2017 (Spring 2017)
Select your Degree Program:	MIA/MPA
Concentration (if applicable)	Finance & Economic Policy (IFEP)
Specialization (if applicable)	Advanced Policy & Economic Analysis (APEA)
Regional Specialization (if applicable)	United States
Are you currently enrolled in OR have you already completed a SIPA MIA/MPA Capstone or EPD Workshop OR any other course that satisfies the workshop requirement in an earlier semester?	No
Are you required to take a Capstone workshop this spring semester in order to graduate in May 2017?	Yes
If you are not graduating this spring, is there any special reason why you need to take a Capstone workshop in the spring semester? (i.e. you are in a Columbia dual degree program and will be off campus for all of next year)?	No
Please describe your special circumstances. Please note: only MIA/MPA students who will graduate at the end of the spring semester are guaranteed a space on a workshop. All other students are placed only if space permits.	
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Please select your 5th choice Capstone workshop:	Quaternion Risk Management

<p>List all relevant coursework (You may include relevant previous coursework outside of SIPA. If taken in undergrad, please indicate. Please write the course title rather than the course number) and relevant language skills (indicating proficiency).</p>	<p>I have Master Degree in Banking at Marmara University, Turkey. I took investment analysis and portfolio management, fund management, derivatives market and futures, finance theory and corporate finance, financial mathematics, financial institutions law, treasury and debt management, banking law during my graduate study in 2005. Also in banking development program of Ziraat Banking School, I attended many finance and banking courses.</p> <p>I started to work at the Undersecretariat of Treasury of Turkey in 2008 and until 2015, I attended many courses related to sustainable development, accounting, finance and economics.</p> <p>At SIPA, in my first year, I attended economics of finance, international capital markets, strategies in investing in developing countries, microeconomics, macroeconomics, quantitative analysis I and accounting. Currently, I have enrolled in quantitative analysis II, international banking, cost and benefit analysis, reigning in the big banks, international finance and monetary theory.</p> <p>My native language is Turkish. My second language is English. Also in my first semester, I took an English Writing course at SIPA.</p>
<p>Statement of Interest</p>	<p>After graduating business administration, I started to work at Ziraat Bank which is the largest bank of Turkey. Having one-year long banking development program, I appointed to work at the Fund Management of Ziraat Bank as a banking specialist responsible for the foreign transactions and swap operations. I also worked at different branches of the bank for about 2 years as responsible for the stock-exchange activities and got my master degree at Banking. In 2008, I started to work at the Undersecretariat of Treasury. My department, National Fund, is a treasury body in IPA system (Instrument for Pre-Accession) channelling the funds from the EU to Turkey in the purpose of sustainable development. I was responsible for the financial management, accounting and reporting of these funds as a treasury expert besides defining the risks related to my department.</p> <p>Having strong quantitative skills, as a student at SIPA concentrating in international finance and specializing in advanced policy and economic analysis, I am strongly interested in this project. Last week, I completed an assignment regarding the importance of stress testing related to my course “Reigning in the Big Banks” and I analyzed the political, economical and financial risks in Turkey and the impact of these risks on Turkish Banking Sector through a stress testing under baseline, adverse and severely adverse scenarios. This assignment has increased my desire to learn deeply about risk management of banks and I strongly believe that I will contribute to this project with my background and my current endeavors.</p>
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