



How to Get Started

Dear Mauricio,

Your father has created this complete financial modeling course as a gift for you. Here's how to set it up on your computer in Brussels.



Step 1: Sync This Folder to Your Computer

Since this is already in Google Drive, you have two options:

Option A: Google Drive Desktop (Recommended)

1. **Install Google Drive Desktop** on your Windows PC
 - Download: <https://www.google.com/drive/download/>
2. **Sign in** with your Google account
3. **Right-click this folder** ("2025. CURSO FINANCIAL MODELING MAU")
4. Select "**Available offline**"
5. The folder will sync to: **G:\My Drive\2025. CURSO FINANCIAL MODELING MAU**

Option B: Download as ZIP

1. **Right-click this folder** in Google Drive web
 2. Select "**Download**"
 3. **Extract** to your PC (e.g., **C:\Users\YourName\Documents\FinancialModeling**)
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Step 2: Start Learning!

Once the folder is on your computer:

1. **Open the folder** in File Explorer
 2. **Double-click:** **START_HERE.md**
 - This opens in a text editor
 - Read your father's personal message ❤️
 - Follow the complete learning path
 3. **Next, read:** **QUICK_START_GUIDE.md**
 - 30-minute setup for VS Code, Python, Git
 - Everything you need to begin
 4. **Then follow the modules** as outlined in START_HERE.md
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Important: GitHub Copilot Subscription

Your father **strongly recommends** subscribing to GitHub Copilot (\$10/month):

- Essential for this course (70% of the value)
- 30-day free trial to start
- Saves hours of work
- Worth every cent for your PE career

Setup during Module 1 - instructions included in QUICK_START_GUIDE.md

📁 What's in This Folder

Your Course/	
└── START_HERE.md	👉 Begin here! Personal letter from your father
└── QUICK_START_GUIDE.md	👉 Then this – 30-min setup
└── README.md	Course overview
└── Tutorials/	5 hands-on VS Code tutorials
└── 01_VS_Code_Basics.md	
└── 02_GitHub_Copilot_Hands_On.md	
└── 03_VS_Code_Data_Analysis.md	
└── 04_Building_DCF_with_VS_Code.md	
└── 05_VS_Code_Power_User.md	
└── Module_01_Setup/	Environment setup
└── Module_02_Python_Fundamentals/	
└── Module_03_Data_Analysis/	
└── Module_04_DCF_Modeling/	
└── Module_05_LBO_Modeling/	
└── Module_06_MA_Analysis/	
└── Module_07_PE_Modeling/	
└── Module_08_Advanced_Topics/	
└── Module_09_Projects/	Real-world case studies

🎯 Your Learning Journey

Week 1-2: VS Code basics + Python fundamentals

Week 3-4: DCF modeling

Week 5-6: LBO modeling (perfect for PE Club!)

Week 7-8: Advanced topics & real projects

Total time: 40-50 hours (your pace, your schedule)

✨ Special Notes

1. **Keep files in sync:**

- If using Google Drive Desktop, changes auto-sync
- Your progress is always backed up
- Can access from anywhere

2. Watch for surprises:

- Your father hid special messages throughout
- Run the Python files when instructed
- You'll love them! 🎁

3. Stay organized:

- Complete modules in order
 - Run exercises as you learn
 - Commit to GitHub (you'll learn how)
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Need Help?

1. **Read the module files** - Very detailed explanations
 2. **Use GitHub Copilot** - AI assistant (subscribe!)
 3. **Check solutions** - Every module has example code
 4. **Ask your father** - He built this and knows it inside-out!
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Ready to Begin?

Next step: Open [START_HERE.md](#) and read your father's message.

This course will transform your PE career at PE Club.

From México to Brussels with love!  

¡Vamos Mauricio! 

Course: Advanced Financial Modeling with VS Code

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