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## □ 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.

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### □ 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

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**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

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**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)

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**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!

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