

# CHARTERED FINANCIAL CONSULTANT®/SINGAPORE (ChFC®/S)

Eligible to apply for the respective IBF CERTIFICATIONS (viz Level 1 to Level 3) upon passing the required modules and fulfilling the required number of Technical Skills Competencies (TSCs), subject to experience requirement if applicable (refer to Page 27).

# DIPLOMA IN PERSONAL FINANCIAL PLANNING (DPFP) - Self Study

To provide your clients with the best possible service and advance your career in the process, you need a strong, foundational knowledge focused on modern realities and challenges. The Chartered Financial Consultant®/Singapore (ChFC®/S) designation offers just that.

Designed for immediate, real-world application, the financial planning strategies taught in the nine-course ChFC®/S programme equips you with the insight and skills to excel in financial planning.

Stand out in the competitive financial industry by earning the ChFC®/S designation.





# Self-Study Option



We highly encourage candidates to go through the Training & Assessment route. For more information, please refer to the Training & Assessment brochure <a href="here">here</a>

Month	Module	Opening Registration Date
January	ChFC01/DPFP01 - ChFC07	9 December 2024
February	ChFC01/DPFP01 - ChFC07	9 December 2024
March	ChFC01/DPFP01 - ChFC07	2 January 2025
April	ChFC01/DPFP01 - ChFC07	3 February 2025
May	ChFC01/DPFP01 - ChFC07	3 March 2025
June	ChFC01/DPFP01 - ChFC07	1 April 2025
July	ChFC01/DPFP01 - ChFC07	2 May 2025
August	ChFC01/DPFP01 - ChFC07	2 June 2025
September	ChFC01/DPFP01 - ChFC07	1 July 2025
October	ChFC01/DPFP01 - ChFC07	1 August 2025
November	ChFC01/DPFP01 - ChFC07	1 September 2025
December	ChFC01/DPFP01 - ChFC07	1 October 2025

Registrations will close two working days before each examination date.

For ChFC08 Opening and Closing Registration Dates, please see Table 6.

ChFC09 Opening and Closing Registration Dates follow those of ChFC08.



#### CHARTERED FINANCIAL CONSULTANT®/SINGAPORE (CHFC®/S)

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ChFC01/DPFP01 Financial Planning: Process and Environment

ChFC02/DPFP02 Risk Management, Insurance and Retirement Planning

ChFC03/DPFP03 Tax, Estate Planning and Legal Aspects of Financial Planning

ChFC04/DPFP04 Investment Planning

ChFC05/DPFP05 Personal Financial Plan Construction

ChFC06 Planning for Business Owners and Professionals
ChFC07 Wealth Management and Financial Planning

ChFC08 Financial Planning Applications

ChFC09 Ethics for the Financial Services Professional

## DIPLOMA IN PERSONAL FINANCIAL PLANNING (DPFP) - SELF STUDY

This is a 36-month SSG-Registered Programme (part-time).

ChFC01/DPFP01 Financial Planning: Process and Environment

ChFC02/DPFP02 Risk Management, Insurance and Retirement Planning

ChFC03/DPFP03 Tax, Estate Planning and Legal Aspects of Financial Planning

ChFC04/DPFP04 Investment Planning

ChFC05/DPFP05 Personal Financial Plan Construction
DPFP05E Skills and Ethics for Financial Advisers

# Table 1: Module Fees & Retaker Fees (Self Study)

**Note:** A one-time non-refundable registration fee of S\$32.70 (inclusive of GST at prevailing rate) is applicable at the time of first admission into the programme. The registration fee is not funded.

		FC/S Modules (Self-sponsored pa any-sponsored candidates please o		
Module	Fee Per Module (with GST at prevailing rate)	First Attempt Fee Per Module (with GST at prevailing rate)	Clawback Amount Per Module	Retaker Fee Per Module (with GST at prevailing rate)
	Full Fee (Before Funding)	Net Fee payable to SCI (After Funding)		Funding not applicable
ChFC01/ DPFP01 -	S\$392.40	S\$140.40 (For Singapore Citizens aged 40 and above)	\$\$252.00 (70% of module fee)	S\$196.20
ChFC05/ DPFP05	Per Module	S\$212.40 (For Singapore Citizens aged below 40 and Singapore PRs)	S\$180.00 (50% of module fee)	50,130,120
DPFP05E (Online Learning	\$2100.00	S\$39.00 (For Singapore Citizens aged 40 and above)	\$\$70.00 (70% of module fee)	\$\$109.00
& Examination)	35103.00	\$\$59.00 (For Singapore Citizens aged below 40 and Singapore PRs)	\$\$50.00 (50% of module fee)	3\$109.00
ChFC06- ChFC07	S\$392.40 Per Module	S\$140.40 (For Singapore Citizens aged 40 and above)	\$\$252.00 (70% of module fee)	00107.00
		S\$212.40 (For Singapore Citizens aged below 40 and Singapore PRs)	\$\$180.00 (50% of module fee)	\$\$196.20
ChFC08 14-hour Tutorial (Online)		\$\$253.50	S\$455.00	S\$163.50 (Tutorial)
1-hour Practicum Assessment (Online)	S\$708.50	(For Singapore Citizens aged 40 and above)	(70% of module fee)	S\$163.50 (Practicum Assessment)
3-hour Case Study Written Assessment (Onsite)		S\$383.50 (For Singapore Citizens aged below 40 and Singapore PRs)	\$\$325.00 (50% of module fee)	S\$81.75 (Case Study Written Assessment)
ChFC09 (Online Learning & Examination)		S\$39.00 (For Singapore Citizens aged 40 and above)	\$\$70.00 (70% of module fee)	S\$54.50
	\$\$109.00	S\$59.00 (For Singapore Citizens aged below 40 and Singapore PRs)	\$\$50.00 (50% of module fee)	5554.50
Total for	\$\$817.50	S\$292.50 (For Singapore Citizens aged 40 and above)	\$\$525.00 (70% of module fee)	
ChFC08 and ChFC09	39017.30	S\$442.50 (For Singapore Citizens aged below 40 and Singapore PRs)	\$\$375.00 (50% of module fee)	

Payment must be made at the time of registering for the examination(s) at the <u>SCI website</u> via credit card. SkillsFuture Credit is not applicable for all modules under the DPFP/ChFC/S Programmes.



#### Only for first examination attempt

Funded Under IBF Standards Training Scheme (IBF-STS)

Only Singapore Citizens or Singapore Permanent Residents who are physically based in Singapore are eligible for funding.

## For 70% course fee subsidies for Singapore Citizens aged 40 and above:

- Course to commence with effect from 1 January 2023 and candidates to fulfil all the course requirements
  as well as pass all the examinations/assessments no later than 120 calendar days from the respective
  course end date as stipulated by the IBF funding policy.
- Assessment-only course to commence with effect from 1 January 2023 and candidates to pass the
  examination/assessment no later than 120 calendar days from the registered examination date as
  stipulated by the IBF funding policy.

## For 50% course fee subsidies for Singapore Citizens aged below 40 and all Singapore Permanent Residents:

- Course to commence with effect from 1 January 2023 and candidates to fulfil all the course requirements
  as well as pass all the examinations/assessments no later than 120 calendar days from the respective
  course end date as stipulated by the IBF funding policy.
- Assessment-only course to commence with effect from 1 January 2023 and candidates to pass the examination/assessment no later than 120 calendar days from the registered examination date as stipulated by the IBF funding policy.

#### **Important Note:**

- For self-sponsored trainees, GST funding support has been removed with effect from 3 October 2022. In other words, self-sponsored trainees will have to pay the GST component in addition to the course fee for Course/Assessment-only course that commence from 3 October 2022.
- For candidate who opts for net fee funding, SCI reserves the right to claw back the full amount from the candidate if he/she does not successfully complete the programme within the stipulated deadline.

Please refer to the IBF website for more details.

# **Advisory Note, Student Contract & Withdrawal Policy**

# During and After Cooling-off Period

## For ChFC01/DPFP01 - ChFC05/DPFP05 and DPFP05E

All candidates whether self-sponsored or company-sponsored are required to sign an Advisory Note as well as an electronic Student Contract with SCI before registering for the DPFP modules. The SCI offers a Cooling-Off Period of 7 working days from the date of signing the Student Contract. Should a candidate decide to withdraw from the DPFP programme within the Cooling-Off Period, he / she must notify SCI by way of electronic mail (email). A full refund of Net Fee paid including one time registration fee of S\$32.70 (inclusive of GST at prevailing rate) paid by the candidate, if any, will be made by the SCI to the candidate within 14 days from the date of withdrawal in such instance. The date of withdrawal must fall within the 7 working days from the contract signed date by both parties. No withdrawal is allowed after the cooling-off period, for whatsoever reasons. candidates are advised to check the course/examination details, including the exemption policy, before submission.

To sign the Advisory Note and Student Contract, candidates will contact SCI via email at talk2us@scidomain. org.sg or call the SCI officer during office hours at 62212336 to request the Advisory Note and Student Contract to be sent to them via Adobe Sign. They are also required to state the preferred examination dates for these funded modules as deadlines to pass these modules to be eligible for the IBF-STS funding will be counted from the examination dates that candidates have selected.

# Signing of Clawback contract

for ChFC06-ChFC09



Candidates who wish to register for ChFC06 to ChFC09 are required to sign the Clawback Contract electronically pertaining to Clawback Provision, Registration Policy, Rescheduling Policy and Refund Policy before the registration can be confirmed.

To sign the Clawback Contract, candidates will contact SCI via email at talk2us@scidomain.org.sg or call the SCI officer during office hours at 62212336 to request the Clawback Contract to be sent to them via Adobe Sign. They are also required to state the preferred examination dates for these funded modules as deadlines to pass these modules to be eligible for the IBF-STS funding will be counted from the examination dates that candidates have selected.

#### **Clawback Provision**

The Student Contract and Clawback Contract provide for the Clawback Provision whereby in the event that candidates should fail and/or neglect to pass the examinations or for whatever reason(s) within the specified deadline(s) as stated in Deadline to Pass as stipulated by the IBF funding policy, they will not be entitled or eligible to get funding for part of the fees under the IBF-STS funding scheme. Candidates, thereby, undertake to pay the SCI for the indicated clawback amount invoiced, and will have to settle the payment within 7 working days from the invoice date.

**Table 2: Clawback Amount Per Module** 

Module	Funding Support	Clawback Amount per module
ChFC01/DPFP01 ChFC02/DPFP02 ChFC03/DPFP03	70% of module fee	S\$252.00
ChFC04/DPFP04 ChFC05/DPFP05 ChFC06 ChFC07	50% of module fee	S\$180.00
ChFC08	70% of module fee	S\$455.00
CHFC08	50% of module fee	S\$325.00
DPFP05E	70% of module fee	S\$70.00
ChFC09	50% of module fee	\$\$50.00

## For Self-Study Only (SS)

For the candidate on the Self-Study Only (SS) pathway, the SCI will claw back the necessary module fee, depending on the subsidy granted. For details on the amount to be clawed back, please refer to Table 2.

## **Attendance Requirement**

Candidates are also required to scan the QR code(s) presented in the assessment/examination room(s) to meet the funding eligibility requirement for attendance.



# **Examination**Details

Table 3: Examination / Assessment Format & Structure

Module	Examination Duration	Examination Format	Total Marks/ Grade Allocated	Pass Requirement
ChFC01/DPFP01 Financial Planning: Process and Environment	2 Hours	100 Multiple-Choice Questions	100 Marks	70 Marks
ChFC02/DPFP02 Risk Management, Insurance and Retirement Planning	2 Hours	100 Multiple-Choice Questions	100 Marks	70 Marks
ChFC03/DPFP03 Tax, Estate Planning and Legal Aspects of Financial Planning	2 Hours	100 Multiple-Choice Questions	100 Marks	70 Marks
ChFC04/DPFP04 Investment Planning	2 Hours	100 Multiple-Choice Questions	100 Marks	70 Marks
ChFC05/DPFP05 Personal Financial Plan Construction	2 Hours	50 Multiple-Choice Questions (case-based)	50 Marks	35 Marks
DPFP05E Skills and Ethics for Financial Advisers	30 Minutes	30 Multiple-Choice Questions	30 Marks	24 Marks
ChFC06 Planning for Business Owners and Professionals	2 Hours	100 Multiple-Choice Questions	100 Marks	70 Marks
ChFC07 Wealth Management and Financial Planning	2 Hours	100 Multiple-Choice Questions	100 Marks	70 Marks
ChFC08 Financial Planning Applications – Practicum Assessment	1 Hour	One-on-one Presentation of Financial Plan to the Assessor	Only "Competent" or "Not-Yet- Competent"	To be assessed as "Competent"
ChFC08 Financial Planning Applications - Case Study Written Assessment	3 Hours	2 Case Studies (6 Short Essay Questions each)	150 Marks	105 Marks
ChFC09 Ethics for the Financial Services Professional (Online & Onsite)	45 Minutes	30 Multiple-Choice Questions	30 Marks	24 Marks

Table 4A: Examination Schedule and Time - January 2025

Module	Examination Schedule	Examination Time	Deadline To Pass
	6 January 2025		6 May 2025
ChFC01/ DPFP01	13 January 2025		13 May 2025
	20 January 2025		20 May 2025
	7 January 2025		7 May 2025
ChFC02/ DPFP02	14 January 2025		14 May 2025
	21 January 2025		21 May 2025
	8 January 2025		8 May 2025
ChFC03/ DPFP03	15 January 2025	9.00 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.	15 May 2025
	22 January 2025		22 May 2025
	9 January 2025		9 May 2025
ChFC04/ DPFP04	16 January 2025		16 May 2025
	23 January 2025		23 May 2025
	10 January 2025		10 May 2025
ChFC05/ DPFP05	17 January 2025		17 May 2025
	24 January 2025		24 May 2025

Module	Examination Schedule	Examination Time	Deadline To Pass
	8 January 2025		120 calendar
DPFP05E (Retake)	15 January 2025	1.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m.	days from the initial registered examination date
ChFC06	9 January 2025		9 May 2025
	16 January 2025	11.30 a.m. - 1.30 p.m.	16 May 2025
	23 January 2025		23 May 2025
	10 January 2025		10 May 2025
ChFC07	17 January 2025		17 May 2025
	24 January 2025		24 May 2025
ChFC09 (Retake)	8 January 2025		120 calendar
	15 January 2025	11.30 a.m. - 12.15 p.m.	days from the initial registered examination date

Table 4B: Examination Schedule and Time - February 2025

Module	Examination Schedule	Examination Time	Deadline To Pass
	3 February 2025	5	3 June 2025
ChFC01/ DPFP01	10 February 2025		10 June 2025
	17 February 2025		17 June 2025
	4 February 2025		4 June 2025
ChFC02/ DPFP02	11 February 2025		11 June 2025
	18 February 2025		18 June 2025
	5 February 2025		5 June 2025
ChFC03/ DPFP03	12 February 2025	9.00 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.	12 June 2025
	19 February 2025		19 June 2025
	6 February 2025		6 June 2025
ChFC04/ DPFP04	13 February 2025		13 June 2025
	20 February 2025		20 June 2025
ChFC05/ DPFP05	7 February 2025		7 June 2025
	14 February 2025		14 June 2025
	21 February 2025		21 June 2025

Module	Examination Schedule	Examination Time	Deadline To Pass
	12 February 2025		120 calendar
DPFP05E (Retake)	19 February 2025	1.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m.	days from the initial registered examination date
ChFC06	6 February 2025		6 June 2025
	13 February 2025	11.30 a.m. - 1.30 p.m.	13 June 2025
	20 February 2025		20 June 2025
	7 February 2025		7 June 2025
ChFC07	14 February 2025		14 June 2025
	21 February 2025		21 June 2025
ChFC09 (Retake)	12 February 2025		120 calendar
	19 February 2025	11.30 a.m. - 12.15 p.m.	days from the initial registered examination date

**Table 4C: Examination Schedule and Time - March 2025** 

Module	Examination Schedule	Examination Time	Deadline To Pass
	3 March 2025		1 July 2025
ChFC01/ DPFP01	10 March 2025		8 July 2025
	17 March 2025		15 July 2025
	4 March 2025		2 July 2025
ChFC02/ DPFP02	11 March 2025		9 July 2025
	18 March 2025	9.00 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.	16 July 2025
	5 March 2025		3 July 2025
ChFC03/ DPFP03	12 March 2025		10 July 2025
	19 March 2025		17 July 2025
	6 March 2025		4 July 2025
ChFC04/ DPFP04	13 March 2025		11 July 2025
	20 March 2025		18 July 2025
	7 March 2025		5 July 2025
ChFC05/ DPFP05	14 March 2025		12 July 2025
	21 March 2025		19 July 2025

Module	Examination Schedule	Examination Time	Deadline To Pass
	12 March 2025		120 calendar
DPFP05E (Retake)	19 March 2025	1.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m.	days from the initial registered examination date
ChFC06	6 March 2025		4 July 2025
	13 March 2025	11.30 a.m. - 1.30 p.m.	11 July 2025
	20 March 2025		18 July 2025
	7 March 2025		5 July 2025
ChFC07	14 March 2025		12 July 2025
	21 March 2025		19 July 2025
ChFC09 (Retake)	12 March 2025		120 calendar
	19 March 2025	11.30 a.m. - 12.15 p.m.	days from the initial registered examination date

Table 4D: Examination Schedule and Time - April 2025

Module	Examination Schedule	Examination Time	Deadline To Pass
	7 April 2025		5 August 2025
ChFC01/ DPFP01	14 April 2025		12 August 2025
	21 April 2025		19 August 2025
	8 April 2025		6 August 2025
ChFC02/ DPFP02	15 April 2025		13 August 2025
	22 April 2025	9.00 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.	20 August 2025
	9 April 2025		7 August 2025
ChFC03/ DPFP03	16 April 2025		14 August 2025
	23 April 2025		21 August 2025
	10 April 2025		8 August 2025
ChFC04/ DPFP04	17 April 2025		15 August 2025
511101	24 April 2025		22 August 2025
ChFC05/	11 April 2025		9 August 2025
DPFP05	25 April 2025		23 August 2025

Module	Examination Schedule	Examination Time	Deadline To Pass
	9 April 2025		120 calendar
DPFP05E (Retake)	16 April 2025	1.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m.	days from the initial registered examination date
ChFC06	10 April 2025		8 August 2025
	17 April 2025	11.30 a.m. - 1.30 p.m.	15 August 2025
	24 April 2025		22 August 2025
ChFC07	11 April 2025		9 August 2025
CIIFCO7	25 April 2025		23 August 2025
	9 April 2025		120 calendar
ChFC09 (Retake)	16 April 2025	11.30 a.m. - 12.15 p.m.	days from the initial registered examination date

Table 4E: Examination Schedule and Time - May 2025

Module	Examination Schedule	Examination Time	Deadline To Pass
ChFC01/	5 May 2025		2 September 2025
DPFP01	19 May 2025		16 September 2025
	6 May 2025		3 September 2025
ChFC02/ DPFP02	13 May 2025		10 September 2025
	20 May 2025		17 September 2025
	7 May 2025	9.00 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.	4 September 2025
ChFC03/ DPFP03	14 May 2025		11 September 2025
	21 May 2025		18 September 2025
	8 May 2025		5 September 2025
ChFC04/ DPFP04	15 May 2025		12 September 2025
	22 May 2025		19 September 2025
	9 May 2025		6 September 2025
ChFC05/ DPFP05	16 May 2025		13 September 2025
2.1100	23 May 2025		20 September 2025

Module	Examination Schedule	Examination Time	Deadline To Pass
DDEDOCE	14 May 2025	1 00	120 calendar
DPFP05E (Retake)	21 May 2025	1.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m.	days from the initial registered examination date
	8 May 2025		5 September 2025
ChFC06	15 May 2025	11.30 a.m. - 1.30 p.m.	12 September 2025
	22 May 2025		19 September 2025
	9 May 2025		6 September 2025
ChFC07	16 May 2025		13 September 2025
	23 May 2025		20 September 2025
ChFC09 (Retake)	14 May 2025	11 20 0 #=	120 calendar
	21 May 2025	11.30 a.m. - 12.15 p.m.	days from the initial registered examination date

Table 4F: Examination Schedule and Time - June 2025

Module	Examination Schedule	Examination Time	Deadline To Pass
	2 June 2025		30 September 2025
ChFC01/ DPFP01	9 June 2025		7 October 2025
	16 June 2025		14 October 2025
	3 June 2025		1 October 2025
ChFC02/ DPFP02	10 June 2025		8 October 2025
511102	17 June 2025		15 October 2025
	4 June 2025	9.00 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.	2 October 2025
ChFC03/ DPFP03	11 June 2025		9 October 2025
	18 June 2025		16 October 2025
	5 June 2025		3 October 2025
ChFC04/ DPFP04	12 June 2025		10 October 2025
511104	19 June 2025		17 October 2025
ChFC05/ DPFP05	6 June 2025		4 October 2025
	13 June 2025		11 October 2025
	20 June 2025		18 October 2025

Module	Examination Schedule	Examination Time	Deadline To Pass
DPFP05E	11 June 2025	1 20 n m	120 calendar
(Retake)	18 June 2025	1.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m.	days from the initial registered examination date
	5 June 2025		3 October 2025
ChFC06	12 June 2025	11.30 a.m. - 1.30 p.m.	10 October 2025
	19 June 2025		17 October 2025
	6 June 2025		4 October 2025
ChFC07	13 June 2025		11 October 2025
	20 June 2025		18 October 2025
ChFC09 (Retake)	11 June 2025	11 20 a m	120 calendar
	18 June 2025	11.30 a.m. - 12.15 p.m.	days from the initial registered examination date

Table 4G: Examination Schedule and Time - July 2025

Module	Examination Schedule	Examination Time	Deadline To Pass
	7 July 2025		4 November 2025
ChFC01/ DPFP01	14 July 2025		11 November 2025
	21 July 2025		18 November 2025
	8 July 2025		5 November 2025
ChFC02/ DPFP02	15 July 2025		12 November 2025
5.1102	22 July 2025	9.00 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.	19 November 2025
	9 July 2025		6 November 2025
ChFC03/ DPFP03	16 July 2025		13 November 2025
211100	23 July 2025		20 November 2025
	10 July 2025		7 November 2025
ChFC04/	17 July 2025		14 November 2025
511101	24 July 2025		21 November 2025
ChFC05/ DPFP05	11 July 2025		8 November 2025
	18 July 2025		15 November 2025
	25 July 2025		22 November 2025

Module	Examination Schedule	Examination Time	Deadline To Pass
DPFP05E	16 June 2025	1 20 n m	120 calendar days from the
(Retake)	23 June 2025	1.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m.	initial registered examination date
	10 July 2025		7 November 2025
ChFC06	17 July 2025	11.30 a.m. - 1.30 p.m.	14 November 2025
	24 July 2025		21 November 2025
	11 July 2025		8 November 2025
ChFC07	18 July 2025		15 November 2025
	25 July 2025		22 November 2025
ChFC09 (Retake)	16 June 2025	11 00	120 calendar
	23 June 2025	11.30 a.m. - 12.15 p.m.	days from the initial registered examination date

Table 4H: Examination Schedule and Time - August 2025

Module	Examination Schedule	Examination Time	Deadline To Pass
	4 August 2025		2 December 2025
ChFC01/ DPFP01	11 August 2025		9 December 2025
	18 August 2025		16 December 2025
	5 August 2025		3 December 2025
ChFC02/ DPFP02	12 August 2025		10 December 2025
	19 August 2025	9.00 a.m. -11.00 a.m.	17 December 2025
	6 August 2025		4 December 2025
ChFC03/ DPFP03	13 August 2025		11 December 2025
	20 August 2025		18 December 2025
	7 August 2025		5 December 2025
ChFC04/ DPFP04	14 August 2025		12 December 2025
	21 August 2025		19 December 2025
	8 August 2025		6 December 2025
ChFC05/ DPFP05	15 August 2025		13 December 2025
	22 August 2025		20 December 2025

Module	Examination Schedule	Examination Time	Deadline To Pass
DPFP05E	13 August 2025	1 20	120 calendar
(Retake)	20 August 2025	1.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m.	days from the initial registered examination date
	7 August 2025		5 December 2025
ChFC06	14 August 2025	11.30 a.m. - 1.30 p.m.	12 December 2025
	21 August 2025		19 December 2025
	8 August 2025		6 December 2025
ChFC07	15 August 2025		13 December 2025
	22 August 2025		20 December 2025
ChFC09 (Retake)	13 August 2025	11 20 a m	120 calendar
	20 August 2025	11.30 a.m. - 12.15 p.m.	days from the initial registered examination date

Table 4I: Examination Schedule and Time - September 2025

Module	Examination Schedule	Examination Time	Deadline To Pass
ChFC01/	1 September 2025		30 December 2025
DPFP01	8 September 2025		6 January 2026
	15 September 2025		13 January 2026
ChFC02/	2 September 2025		31 December 2025
DPFP02	9 September 2025		7 January 2026
	16 September 2025		14 January 2026
	3 September 2025	9.00 a.m.	1 January 2026
ChFC03/ DPFP03	10 September 2025	- 11.00 a.m.	8 January 2026
	17 September 2025		15 January 2026
	4 September 2025		2 January 2026
ChFC04/ DPFP04	11 September 2025		9 January 2026
	18 September 2025		16 January 2026
	5 September 2025		3 January 2026
ChFC05/ DPFP05	12 September 2025		10 January 2026
2.1103	19 September 2025		17 January 2026

Module	Examination Schedule	Examination Time	Deadline To Pass
	10 September 2025		120 calendar
DPFP05E (Retake)	17 September 2025	1.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m.	days from the initial registered examination date
	4 September 2025		2 January 2026
ChFC06	11 September 2025		9 January 2026
	18 September 2025	11.30 a.m.	16 January 2026
	5 September 2025	- 1.30 p.m.	3 January 2026
ChFC07	12 September 2025		10 January 2026
	19 September 2025		17 January 2026
ChFC09 (Retake)	10 September 2025		120 calendar
	17 September 2025	11.30 a.m. - 12.15 p.m.	days from the initial registered examination date

Table 4J: Examination Schedule and Time - October 2025

Module	Examination Schedule	Examination Time	Deadline To Pass
	6 October 2025		3 February 2026
ChFC01/ DPFP01	13 October 2025		10 February 2026
	20 October 2025		17 February 2026
ChFC02/	7 October 2025		4 February 2026
DPFP02	14 October 2025		11 February 2026
	8 October 2025	9.00 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.	5 February 2026
ChFC03/ DPFP03	15 October 2025		12 February 2026
	22 October 2025		19 February 2026
	9 October 2025		6 February 2025
ChFC04/ DPFP04	16 October 2025		13 February 2025
	23 October 2025		20 February 2025
ChFC05/ DPFP05	10 October 2025		7 February 2026
	17 October 2025		14 February 2026
	24 October 2025		21 February 2026

Module	Examination Schedule	Examination Time	Deadline To Pass
DDEDAGE	15 October 2025	1.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m.	120 calendar
DPFP05E (Retake)	22 October 2025		days from the initial registered examination date
	9 October 2025		6 February 2026
ChFC06	16 October 2025	11.30 a.m.	13 February 2026
	23 October 2025		20 February 2026
	10 October 2025	- 1.30 p.m.	7 February 2025
ChFC07	17 October 2025		14 February 2025
	24 October 2025		21 February 2025
ChFC09 (Retake)	15 October 2025	11.30 a.m. - 12.15 p.m.	120 calendar days from the initial registered examination date

Table 4K: Examination Schedule and Time - November 2025

Module	Examination Schedule	Examination Time	Deadline To Pass
	3 November 2025		3 March 2026
ChFC01/ DPFP01	10 November 2025		10 March 2026
	17 November 2025		17 March 2026
	4 November 2025		4 March 2026
ChFC02/ DPFP02	11 November 2025		11 March 2026
	18 November 2025		18 March 2026
ChFC03/	5 November 2025		5 March 2026
	12 November 2025	9.00 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.	12 March 2026
211100	19 November 2025		19 March 2026
	6 November 2025		6 March 2026
ChFC04/	13 November 2025		13 March 2026
211101	20 November 2025		20 March 2026
	7 November 2025		7 March 2026
ChFC05/ DPFP05	14 November 2025		14 March 2026
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Module	Examination Schedule	Examination Time	Deadline To Pass
DPFP05E	12 November 2025	1 20 n m	120 calendar
(Retake)	19 November 2025	1.30 p.m. - 2.00 p.m.	days from the initial registered examination date
	6 November 2025		6 March 2026
ChFC06	13 November 2025	11.30 a.m. - 1.30 p.m.	13 March 2026
	20 November 2025		20 March 2026
	7 November 2025		7 March 2026
ChFC07	14 November 2025		14 March 2026
	21 November 2025		21 March 2026
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ChFC09 (Retake)	19 November 2025	11.30 a.m. - 12.15 p.m.	days from the initial registered examination date

Table 4L: Examination Schedule and Time - December 2025

Module	Examination Schedule	Examination Time	Deadline To Pass
	1 December 2025		31 March 2026
ChFC01/ DPFP01	8 December 2025		7 April 2026
	15 December 2025		14 April 2026
	2 December 2025		1 April 2026
ChFC02/ DPFP02	9 December 2025		8 April 2026
	16 December 2025		15 April 2026
	3 December 2025		2 April 2026
ChFC03/ DPFP03	10 December 2025	9.00 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.	9 April 2026
	17 December 2025		16 April 2026
	4 December 2025		3 April 2026
ChFC04/ DPFP04	11 December 2025		10 April 2026
	18 December 2025		17 April 2026
	5 December 2025		4 April 2026
ChFC05/ DPFP05	12 December 2025		11 April 2026
2 00	19 December 2025		18 April 2026

Module	Examination Schedule	Examination Time	Deadline To Pass
DPFP05E	10 December 2025	1.30 p.m.	120 calendar days from the initial registered examination date
(Retake)	17 December 2025	- 2.00 p.m.	
	4 December 2025		3 April 2026
ChFC06	11 December 2025		10 April 2026
	18 December 2025	11.30 a.m.	17 April 2026
	5 December 2025	- 1.30 p.m.	4 April 2026
ChFC07	12 December 2025		11 April 2026
	19 December 2025		18 April 2026
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ChFC09 (Retake)	17 December 2025	11.30 a.m. - 12.15 p.m.	days from the initial registered examination date



Table 5: Schedule for DPFP05E - January to December 2025

Intake	Registration Starts	Registration Closes	Commencement of online course	Completion of online course Exam dates	Onsite Exam Date (2:30pm - 3:00pm)	Deadline to Pass
January 2025	30 December 2024	18 January 2025	25 January 2025	14 February 2025	20 February 2025	20 June 2025
March 2025	3 March 2025	22 March 2025	29 March 2025	18 April 2025	24 April 2025	22 August 2025
May 2025	28 April 2025	17 May 2025	24 May 2025	13 June 2025	19 June 2025	17 October 2025
June 2025	19 May 2025	14 June 2025	21 June 2025	11 July 2025	17 July 2025	14 November 2025
July 2025	23 June 2025	12 July 2025	19 July 2025	8 August 2025	14 August 2025	12 December 2025
September 2025	18 August 2025	6 September 2025	13 September 2025	3 October 2025	9 October 2025	6 February 2026
November 2025	13 October 2025	1 November 2025	8 November 2025	28 November 2025	4 December 2025	3 April 2026
December 2025	17 November 2025	13 December 2025	20 December 2025	9 January 2026	15 January 2026	15 May 2026



Table 6: Schedule for ChFC08 & ChFC09

Intake	January 2025	March 2025	May 2025	July 2025	September 2025	November 2025
Registration Starts	9 December 2024	31 January 2025	21 March 2025	30 May 2025	18 July 2025	19 September 2025
Registration Closes	16 January 2025	13 March 2025	15 May 2025	10 July 2025	4 September 2025	30 October 2025
14-hour Tutorial (Online)* 9am to 5pm	23, 24 January 2025	20, 21 March 2025	22, 23 May 2025	17, 18 July 2025	11, 12 September 2025	6, 7 November 2025
Financial Plan Submission Deadline - Submit by 11:59PM	9 February 2025	6 April 2025	8 June 2025	3 August 2025	28 September 2025	23 November 2025
1- hour Practicum Assessment (via Virtual Platform)	17, 18, 19 February 2025	14, 15, 16 April 2025	16, 17, 18 June 2025	11, 12, 13 August 2025	6, 7, 8 October 2025	1, 2, 3 December 2025
ChFC08 3-hour Case Study Written Assessment (2pm - 5pm)	27 February 2025	24 April 2025	26 June 2025	21 August 2025	16 October 2025	11 December 2025
ChFC09 (Online Assessment)	3 March 2025	28 April 2025	30 June 2025	25 August 2025	20 October 2025	15 December 2025
ChFC09 (Onsite Exam: 11:30am - 12:15pm)	5 March 2025	30 April 2025	2 July 2025	27 August 2025	22 October 2025	17 December 2025
Release of SMART Certificate of Completion for ChFC08 (by 5pm)	21 March 2025	16 May 2025	18 July 2025	12 September 2025	7 November 2025	2 January 2026
Release of ChFC®/S SMART Certificate Parchment (by 5pm)	11 April 2025	6 June 2025	8 August 2025	3 October 2025	28 November 2025	23 January 2026
Deadline to Pass (ChFC08 & ChFC09)	27 June 2025	22 August 2025	24 October 2025	19 December 2025	13 February 2026	10 April 2026

<sup>\*</sup>At the end of the 14-hour tutorial, candidates will be provided with instructions on how to book the 1-hour Practicum Assessment.

# Completion Requirements

# for ChFC08



#### Candidates must take note that you will be required to:

- Attend a compulsory 14-hour tutorial for ChFC08 which will be conducted by the SCI according to the course schedule in Table 6.
- · Achieve 100% Class Attendance.
- Submit a Financial Plan for Practicum Assessment online.
- · Pass a 1-hour Practicum Assessment.
- · Pass a 3-hour Case Study Written Assessment.

# Candidates are also required to provide a verbal consent of the following before the Tutorial, Practicum Assessment and Case Study Written Assessment:

- Consent to be photographed, videoed and recorded while attending the Tutorial, Practicum Assessment and Case Study Written Assessment.
- Consent given to SCI officer(s) to sight the NRIC (front & back) for ID verification purpose, to capture and match the last 4 characters of the NRIC with those registered in the SCI system.



#### **Submission of Financial Plan**

SCI Portal > Dashboard > upload ChFC08 Financial Plan > Select File > (upload your zipped file, not exceeding 25 MB) > Submit > Confirmation Page

## **Booking Procedure for Practicum Assessment**

SCI Portal > Dashboard > Register for ChFC08 Practicum Assessment > (Select your timeslot) > Submit > Confirmation Email

- Each candidate is given 2 weeks to complete the financial plan after the tutorial.
- If the submission deadline is missed, the candidate is deemed to have failed the ChFC08 module and he / she is required to retake the Practicum Assessment with a retake fee of S\$163.50 (inclusive of GST at prevailing rate) within the same intake and fulfil completion requirement of ChFC08 by the stipulated deadline. If not, the clawback provision kicks in.
- As certain tablets, including the iPad, do not permit the usage of the camera function and screen-sharing function simultaneously, tablets are discouraged during the Practicum Assessment.
- The system allows submission of only 1 file, which can be a zipped one containing multiple files.
- · Submission can only be done ONCE.
- · Files should not contain any password.
- · File size cannot exceed 25 MB.

## Items to prepare

For the Tutorial, please prepare your Identification Document (NRIC/Passport), pen, paper, and a non-programmable financial calculator. For the Practicum Assessment, please prepare your Identification Document (NRIC/Passport) and a digital copy of your financial plan. For the Case Study Written Assessment, please bring your Identification Document (NRIC/Passport), non-programmable financial calculator. You may also bring your financial plan, one piece of double-sided A4-sized crib sheet and a pen when you sit for the Case Study Written Assessment.

# **Completion Requirements** for ChFC09



Candidates must complete and pass the online course before taking the on-site examination as stipulated in Table 6. If a candidate fails the on-site examination or fails to fulfil the course requirements for ChFC09, the candidate will be required to re-register for ChFC09 at the retaker fee of S\$54.50 (inclusive of GST at prevailing rate). Retaker fee is not eligible for funding.

# Release of Result Slips, Smart Certificate of Completion



for ChEC08 & ChEC09

For ChFC01/DPFP01 - ChFC05/DPFP05 and ChFC06 - ChFC07, a Certificate of Attendance will be issued upon fulfilling the attendance requirement for the tutorials five working days after the last tutorial.

For ChFC01/DPFP01 - ChFC05/DPFP05, ChFC06 - ChFC07, DPFP05E & ChFC09 examinations, candidates will receive their examination results immediately upon completion of the computer mode examinations.

Candidates will receive a SMART Certificate Parchment for the Diploma in Personal Financial Planning (DPFP) within a month after all the required modules, ChFC01/DPFP01 - ChFC05/DPFP05 and DPFP05E have been completed and passed. (Note: ChFC01/DPFP01 is exempted for Cert FPC holders).

For ChFC08, upon fulfilling all completion requirements for ChFC08 on Page 15, a SMART Certificate of Completion will be issued to candidates on the "Release of SMART Certificate of Completion for ChFC08 Dates" as shown on Page 14.

For ChFC09, a SMART Certificate of Completion will be issued within 5 working days once all the online course requirements are fulfilled. A Result Slip will be issued immediately upon completion of the on-site examination.

All SMART Certificates will be sent to the email address of the candidate in the SCI system.

#### **Use of DPFP Designation**

Candidates need not apply for the DPFP Designation. Upon successful completion of the examination modules from ChFC01/DPFP01 to DPFP05E within the specified time frame, you will be eligible to use the certification designation: Dip SCI (DPFP).

#### Use of ChFC®/S Designation

There is no need to apply for the ChFC<sup>®</sup>/S designation. You may start to use your ChFC<sup>®</sup>/S designation on the day when you have received the overall SMART Certificate Parchment and Code of Ethics Certificate.

## Overall Certificate Parchment for ChFC®/S

With effect from ChFC08 March 2021 intake, for those who have successfully attained their ChFC®/S, we will no longer issue hard copy of the Overall Certificate Parchment for ChFC®/S. Instead, the ChFC®/S holder will receive an overall SMART Certificate Parchment together with the Code of Ethics Certificate on the "Release of ChFC®/S SMART Certificate Parchment Dates" as shown on Page 14. An email will be sent to the ChFC®/S holder from our third-party vendor CV Trust (support@cvtrust.com) on the date as shown in Table 6.

The Code of Ethics Certificate is issued to the ChFC®/S holder who is deemed to agree to abide by the Code of Ethics for as long as he / she is a holder of the designation. If the ChFC®/S holder fails to abide by the Code of Ethics, the SCI has the right to deny the award of the designation and/or suspend the use of the designation in the event that the SCI determines that the ChFC®/S holder has violated the Code of Ethics.

If the ChFC®/S holder wishes to practise in the US, he will need to take the US equivalent papers for the ChFC®/US title. The ChFC®/S title is not transferable in this case.

For details on the "Guidelines For Designation Trademark Use", please refer to here.

# **Target**Audience



- · Financial Planners / Life Insurance Advisers;
- · Relationship Managers;
- · Bancassurance Staff: and
- Other insurance professionals whose job responsibilities require in-depth knowledge of financial planning principles, practices and products, and those wishing to obtain a professional financial planning qualification for their career advancement.

# **Entry** Requirements



- · At least 18 years of age;
- · A minimum of 10 years of formal education; and
- Preferably be in financial services activities.

# **Registration**Policies



#### The order by which modules must be passed

- ChFC01/DPFP01-ChFC04/DPFP04 can be taken in any order. However, ChFC05/DPFP05 can only be taken upon passing ChFC01/DPFP01-ChFC04/DPFP04.
- If candidates want to pursue the DPFP qualification, then they are required to take and pass DPFP05E which can only be taken after passing DPFP01-DPFP05 and they must pass by the clawback deadline.
- 3. Candidates can register for ChFC06 and/or ChFC07 only upon passing ChFC01/DPFP01-ChFC05/DPFP05 or having been exempted from ChFC01/DPFP01-ChFC05/DPFP05 (see Exemption section).
- 4. Candidates can register for ChFC08 only upon passing ChFC01/DPFP01-ChFC07.
- 5. ChFC09 must be registered for together with ChFC08.
- 6. Maximum number of modules allowed to register for is **TWO**.

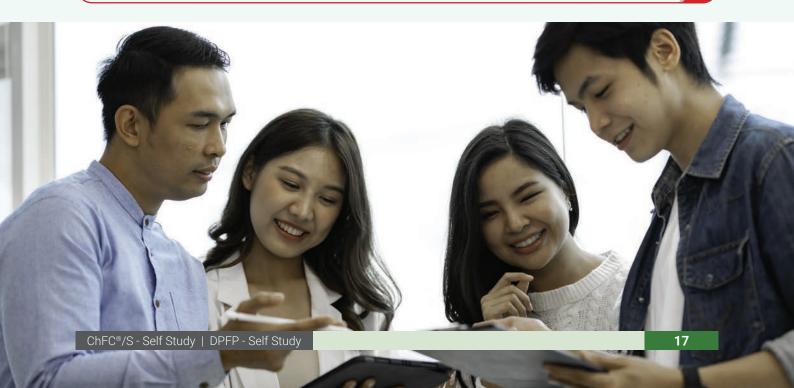
Candidates will encounter registration issues if the above order is not followed.

## **Important Note:**

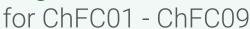
Registrations for ChFC/DPFP examinations from ChFC01/DPFP01 to ChFC07 open two months ahead of the examination date and close two working days before the examination date. As for ChFC08 and ChFC09, please refer to Table 6.

You will need to provide your full name (as shown in your NRIC/passport), personal mobile number and RNF number at the time of registration. No cancellation or withdrawal of registration is allowed once registration is submitted.

All registrations are subject to review and SCI reserves the right to reject any applications.



# Registration



## For ChFC01/DPFP01 - ChFC07 (Self-Study)

To register for ChFC01/DPFP01-ChFC07 (Self-Study), please click <a href="https://example.com/herco1/DPFP01-chFC05/DPFP01-chFC05/DPFP01-chFC05/DPFP01-chFC05/DPFP05">https://example.com/herco1/DPFP01-chFC05/DPFP01-chFC05/DPFP01-chFC05/DPFP01-chFC05/DPFP05</a> and the Clawback Contract for ChFC06 & ChFC07 (refer to Page 5).

#### For ChFC08 & ChFC09

To register for ChFC08, please go to the <u>SCI website</u> and click on "Professional Education" navigation link on the homepage. You will see the Screenshot 1.0, go to "Series" filter, select "Professional Designations" in the dropdown list and click on the "Search Course" button on your right. A list of ChFC/DPFP registration links will appear. Please click on the ChFC08 module link to register. When you register for ChFC08, ChFC09 will also be registered together. Before you register and pay for ChFC08 and ChFC09, you are required to sign the Clawback Contract (refer to Page 5).

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# Switching of Routes

- Q: If I am registered for a DPFP or ChFC/S module on the Self-Study mode but I failed, can I switch to T&A track for my retake & to pay net fee for T&A pathway?
- A: Yes. If you have registered for any DPFP or ChFC/S module under the net fee and applied for funded amount of the module fee depending on the funding quantum applicable to you at the point of registration, you must make payment for the funded amount within 7 working days from the date of the clawback invoice issued to you before you are allowed to switch to the T&A route.
  - You will also have to sign a new Student/Clawback Contract (whichever is applicable) for your first-time registration of the module under the T&A pathway. You will also be required to pay an administrative fee of \$\$54.50 (inclusive of GST at prevailing rate) and you will be treated as a first-timer for the registered T&A module.
- Q: I am registered for the ChFC01/DPFP01 on the T&A pathway, but I failed. Can I switch to Self-Study as a first-timer and pay the prevailing net fee for the module, instead of the retaker fee under the T&A pathway?
- A: Candidates are not allowed to switch from T&A pathway to Self-Study mode regardless of modules.

# Rescheduling Policy O→C

#### FOR ChFC01/DPFP01 - ChFC07 & ChFC09 Examinations

If Candidates Submit Their Request*:	Administrative Fee Payable
7 or more working days (excluding weekends and public holidays) before examination date	<ul> <li>No fee is payable for the first time request to reschedule to a date within 45 calendar days from the initial examination date.</li> <li>An administrative fee of \$\$32.70 (inclusive of GST at prevailing rate) per request is payable for request(s) to reschedule to date(s) more than 45 calendar days from the initial examination date.</li> <li>An administrative fee of \$\$32.70 (inclusive of GST at prevailing rate) per request is payable for subsequent request to change the examination date/time for that particular examination.</li> </ul>
Less than 7 working days but more than 2 working days (excluding weekends and public holidays) before examination date	An administrative fee of S\$32.70 (inclusive of GST at prevailing rate) per request is payable.
2 working days or less (excluding weekends and public holidays) before examination date	No re-scheduling is allowed

<sup>\*</sup> Rescheduling applications must be submitted online with payment via the SCI website. Should the candidate decide to reschedule to a later examination date, please note that the time bar will remain as of the first registered examination date.

Note: Counting of the days does not include the actual examination date itself.

If a candidate fails the examination, he / she will have to retake it with the retaker fee payment of S\$196.20 (inclusive of GST at prevailing rate). In rescheduling, candidates are to take note of the deadlines to take and pass the examinations with IBF-STS funding as there is a Clawback Provision involved for those modules.

## ChFC08

#### For 14-hour tutorial

Candidates will be allowed to reschedule their 14-hour Tutorial with the rescheduling payment of S\$163.50 (inclusive of GST at prevailing rate) to the next Tutorial dates of the upcoming intake. Rescheduling can be done by the candidates on their own on the SCI website. Candidates are required to observe the deadline to fulfil the qualifying requirements for ChFC08 as there is a Clawback Provision involved.

#### For Practicum Assessment

Candidates will be allowed to reschedule their Practicum Assessment with the rescheduling payment of S\$163.50 (inclusive of GST at prevailing rate) to the next available date (within the same intake) set by the SCI. Candidates must be assessed "Competent" before they are allowed to take the Case Study Written Assessment. Candidates are required to observe the deadline to fulfil the qualifying requirements for ChFC08 as there is a Clawback Provision involved.

## For Case Study Written Assessment

Candidates will be allowed to reschedule their Case Study Written Assessment date with the rescheduling payment of S\$81.75 (inclusive of GST at prevailing rate) to the next Case Study Written Assessment date of the upcoming intake. Rescheduling can be done by the candidates on their own on the SCI website. Candidates are required to observe the deadline to fulfil the qualifying requirements for ChFC08 as there is a Clawback Provision involved.

# **Absence**

# on day of tutorial



#### For ChFC08 tutorial

If a candidate is absent from tutorial day(s) without any of the valid reasons listed in the section on "Absence on Day of Examination/Assessment" and do not fulfil the 100% class attendance, he will be required to reschedule the 14-hour Tutorial with the rescheduling payment of S\$163.50 (inclusive of GST at prevailing rate) to the next Tutorial dates of the upcoming intake. Rescheduling and payment can be done by the candidates on their own on the SCI website. Candidates are required to observe the deadline to fulfil the qualifying requirements for ChFC08 and ChFC09 as there is a Clawback Provision involved for each module.

# **Absence**

# on day of examination/assessment



For ChFC01/DPFP01 - ChFC07 & ChFC09 Examinations and ChFC08 Practicum Assessment/Case Study Written Assessment

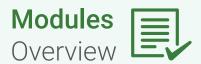
The SCI will grant a complimentary reschedule for the examination session if the candidate is absent from the examination owing to one of the following reasons:

- Medical grounds (self);
- · Bereavement (immediate family member);
- · Disabling accident or injury (self);
- · Court appearance (self); or
- National Service (Self, as per the Enlistment Act 1970).

This complimentary reschedule will be considered as the candidate's first reschedule. Any reschedule after, even if they fall into the above categories, will be considered as "Subsequent Rescheduling".

Please email the relevant documentary evidence to the SCI within **three working days** from the date of the examination. You will be rescheduled to the next available examination date or within two weeks from the date of the examination you were absent from. SCI accepts only valid medical certificates issued by registered medical practitioners or hospitals in Singapore.

SCI will process the rescheduling application within **four working days** from the date of receipt of the application and complete supporting documentary evidence. If the documentation is in order, an email will be sent to you by the next working day informing that rescheduling of your examination is completed. However, note that there is a Clawback Provision involved for each module.



# ChFC01/DFFP01 - Financial Planning: Process and Environment

Provides an overview of the financial planning process, including communication techniques, ethics, risk tolerance, time-value-of-money concepts and financial planning applications. It also offers an understanding of the role and responsibilities of a financial planner, along with some analytical skills to aid in financial decision making.

# ChFC02/DPFP02 - Risk Management, Insurance and Retirement Planning

Focuses on the use of risk management techniques in treating the risks faced by individuals. It also provides an outline of the basic insurance principles, as well as the various classes of insurance, given the importance of insurance in the risk management process. In addition, it presents the steps in insurance planning to equip the candidates with the knowledge on how to perform insurance planning services.

# ChFC03/DPFP03 - Tax, Estate Planning and Legal Aspects of Financial Planning

This module highlights the application of income tax laws relating to the transactions of individuals, as well as planning for minimisation and deferral of taxation for the clients.

This module also provides an overview of the legal aspects of financial planning, including common law relating to financial planning, as well as the laws governing successful estate planning. Cases representative of estate planning, including a study of the techniques of estate planning will be presented and discussed.

#### ChFC04/DPFP04 - Investment Planning

This module covers the different risks and returns from the various forms of investments, as well as the types of investment strategies that can be taken, given the increasingly challenging investment environment. It also provides a systematic approach to investment planning and how to deal optimally in a volatile market.

# ChFC05/DPFP05 - Personal Financial Plan Construction

This module complements the theoretical aspects of financial planning by addressing key practice and plan construction issues. It outlines the essential skills needed to formulate a sound financial plan and how it can be effectively presented. Case studies, with practice questions and answers are also provided to allow for better application of learning.

#### **DPFP05E - Skills And Ethics For Financial Advisers**

Ethics and professionalism are two important pillars of the financial industry. The first includes providing professional services and taking into consideration client's best interest. Next is legal compliance. It is important for the financial consultant to be able to see the relationship between ethics and law and how to apply them seamlessly.

# ChFC06 - Planning for Business Owners and Professionals

This module focuses on the various forms of business structures and highlights the risks and returns involved in a business investment. It also provides insights on buy-sell agreements and the importance of planning for business succession.

# ChFC07 - Wealth Management and Financial Planning

This module examines the importance of creating and protecting wealth as it has a great impact on clients' current and future lifestyles. It also outlines the proper wealth management techniques and strategies that will help clients to better manage their risks, transfer wealth, and maximise their financial quality of life.

## **ChFC08 - Financial Planning Applications**

This module presents a capstone to the ChFC®/S programme by encompassing and encapsulating holistic knowledge that the student has gained from ChFC01 to ChFC07 studies. Case studies and analyses are used to integrate the various planning techniques, tools and products covered in these courses. It also provides practical experience in analysing and solving realistic financial problems of individuals and families, high net-worth individuals and business owners, ranging from simple fact patterns and basic documents to complex situations. Students will gain practical experience in formulating and presenting a holistic Financial Plan covering the 6 steps of financial planning.

#### ChFC09 - Ethics for the Financial Services Professional

This module provides a practical framework for making ethical business decisions in the financial services industry. It covers the importance of ethics as a subject, the eight-step model of ethical decision-making framework and the three obstacles to ethical decision-making. It describes the elements of an ethical organisation and the characteristics of a financial service professional. The module also investigates ethical approaches to placing financial products, determining suitability, and assessing risk. The three issues of replacement, rebating and compensation are also discussed.



## By the end of the 9 modules, candidates will be able to:

- Develop knowledge in the process, tools and concepts of financial planning and investments.
- Use a systematic approach to risk management, insurance and retirement planning.
- Apply the basic tax concepts and skills to deal with individual income, expenses and allowances.
- Learn the various types of estate planning tools, such as wills, trusts, powers of attorney and life insurance.
- Understand the major types of investments and risk profiles.
- · Learn the essential skills to formulate a sound financial plan to meet clients' objectives and conform to ethical standards and practices.
- Gain insights on the importance of business succession planning and buy-sell agreements.
- Learn wealth management strategies to better manage clients' risks and assets.
- Develop the ability to design, construct and present a financial plan, and make recommendations to clients,
- function as an ethical and competent practitioner in the field of financial planning.
- · Discuss about ethics in the financial services industry.

# **Examination**



For each module (ChFC01/DPFP01-ChFC07), candidates are required to take a 2-hour examination (CSE On-

For DPFP05E, candidates are required to take a 30-minute examination (CSE On-site).

For ChFC08, candidates will take a 1-hour Practicum Assessment, as well as a 3-hour Case Study Written Assessment.

The 3-hour Case Study Written Assessment will be held on-site at SCI's premises (CSE On-site), unless otherwise advised. Candidates are to take note that in the event the examination is to be remotely proctored, they must take the examination in an enclosed room and must have access to a laptop with inbuilt microphone, speaker and webcam installed as well as a strong and stable Wi-Fi connection.

For ChFC09, candidates are required to take a 45-minute examination (CSE On-site).

#### **CPD** hours awarded

- ChFC01/DPFP01 to ChFC05/DPFP05: 2 CPD hours per module for the relevant examination passed
- DPFP05E: 3 CPD hours for online course and 0.5 CPD hours for examination passed
- · ChFC06 to ChFC07: 2 CPD hours per module for the relevant examination passed
- ChFC08: 14 CPD hours and an additional 4 CPD hours for the relevant assessment passed (inclusive of 1 General Insurance CPD hour)
- ChFC09 (online): 6 CPD hours

# Start and end date of qualification For Diploma in Personal Financial Planning (DPFP) - Self Study

Qualification start date shall be the date of the first registered examination date and the end date shall be the date that the candidate passes his last module, which may be 36 months or earlier.



**Table 7: Study Texts** 

Examination Code	Examination Title	Current Edition
ChFC01/DPFP01	Financial Planning: Process and Environment	2nd Edition
ChFC02/DPFP02	Risk Management, Insurance and Retirement Planning	3rd Edition
ChFC03/DPFP03	Tax, Estate Planning and Legal Aspects of Financial Planning	6th Edition
ChFC04/DPFP04	Investment Planning	1st Edition
ChFC05/DPFP05	Personal Financial Plan Construction 1st Edition	
ChFC06	Planning for Business Owners and Professionals	5th Edition
ChFC07	Wealth Management and Financial Planning 3rd Edition	
ChFC08	Financial Planning Applications	3rd Edition

# Access to eBooks and eMock Papers/Formula Sheets

Hardcopies will not be issued.

- 1. Candidates may access here.
- 2. Use the same credentials to login as your profile created at SCI website.
- 3. The examination module(s) which you had registered for would be displayed on your user dashboard.
- 4. Access to online study materials will be closed 6 months after the course start date.



# **Exemption Policies** and Requirements

Please read the Exemption Policies and Requirements thoroughly before completing the Application Form for Exemption Review for ChFC<sup>®</sup>/S.

## I - Exemption Policies

- 1. The maximum number of exemptions to be granted to any one candidate is 5 modules, regardless of the number of qualifications held by the candidate.
- 2. Once an exemption has been granted, the candidate must register for the ChFC®/S Programme within 30 days from the date of the exemption letter. If there is no registration of the ChFC®/S Programme within the 30 days' period, the candidate will need to re-apply for exemption as a fresh application.
- 3. A candidate can apply for exemption at any stage during his/her study. However, there will not be any fee refund for any module already registered for.
- 4. Should the candidate decide to apply for exemption after the first registered examination date, the time bar for completion of the ChFC®/S Programme will still start from the examination date which the candidate first registered to sit for.

## II - Requirements to Qualify for Exemption

To qualify for any relevant exemption, the applicant's qualification in consideration must meet all of the following requirements:

- 1. The qualification / subject(s) in consideration must match at least 80% of the syllabus of SCI ChFC®/S module to be exempted, and their assessment / examination must be of comparable standard to SCI assessments / examinations with a minimum of 70% match to SCI assessment / examination process.
- 2. The applicant must have obtained the qualification for not more than 10 years from the date of application.
- 3. The qualification is awarded by an institution or professional body recognised by SCI.
- 4. The qualification is of an equivalent or of a higher academic standard than that of SCI qualification. The subject in the applicant's qualification must have been obtained by the applicant by taking the examination and not by exemption or transfer of credit from a course or programme previously taken.
- 5. Partial qualification obtained from any other institution or professional body will not be considered for exemption. SCI will not entertain any enquiry or appeal in this respect.

**Table 8: Exemption** 

Exemptions are granted for the following:

Types of Designation Holders	Exempted Modules	Fee Payable (inclusive of GST at prevailing rate)
CFP Holder (FPAS)	ChFC01 to ChFC05	S\$272.50
CFP Holder (FPAS)#	DPFP01 to DPFP04	S\$218.00
CLU/S Holder (SCI)	ChFC01, ChFC02, ChFC04 and ChFC06	No exemption payment is required.
Cert FPC Holder (SCI)	ChFC01/ DPFP01	No exemption payment is required.
DPFP Holder (SCI)	ChFC01 to ChFC05	No exemption payment is required.
SUSS BSc (Finance) Holder*	ChFC01, ChFC02, ChFC03	S\$163.50

# For CFP Holder (FPAS) pursuing the DPFP, you are required to complete DPFP05 and DPFP05E.

\* Subject to completion of five designated modules (Retirement Planning, Tax & Estate Planning, Risk Management & Insurance Planning, Financial Plan Construction, Managing Your Personal Finances) under the Finance Electives and University Core Courses.

To apply for exemption, please login to your <u>SCI user Account</u>. After you login, at the Dashboard please select "Apply for Exemption" and complete the application. In your submission, you are required to upload your VALID e-certificate which is subject to our verification for authenticity before we approve your application.

Besides the above exemptions, no other exemption requests will be entertained.

# **Qualifying**Requirements



#### **Education Requirement**

A candidate must pass all examinations/assessments and meet all other course requirements for all 9 modules within the 5-year time bar. A candidate must pass all examinations for all 6 (six) modules within the 3-year time bar from the date of first DPFP examination registered for. It is the candidate's responsibility to monitor his own time bar for the examination completion of the DPFP programme. The SCI will not send any notification to remind the candidate in this respect. The 3-year time bar is applicable for those who do not opt in for the IBF-STS funding. Those who seek the IBF-STS funding are subject to the deadline to pass the examinations for each module as per the Clawback provision.

## **Experience Requirement**

3 years of full-time business experience is required for the award of the ChFC®/S designation. The 3-year period must be within the 5 years immediately preceding the date of the award. An undergraduate or graduate degree from an accredited educational institution qualifies as one year of business experience.

## **Ethics Requirement**

The Code of Ethics Certificate is issued to the ChFC®/S holder who is deemed to agree to abide by the Code of Ethics for as long as he is a holder of the designation. If the ChFC®/S holder fails to abide by the Code of Ethics, the SCI has the right to deny the award of the designation and/or suspend the use of the designation in the event that the SCI determines that the ChFC®/S holder has violated the Code of Ethics.

Note: It is the candidate's responsibility to monitor his own time bar for the examination completion of the ChFC®/S programme. SCI will not send any notification to remind the candidate in this respect.

# **Time Bar** Requirement



DPFP Self-study candidates are given 3 consecutive years (or 36 months) from the date of first registered examination date to pass all the 6 DPFP modules. Should they wish to proceed with the ChFC®/S programme, they are given another 2 consecutive years (or 24 months) in addition to 3 consecutive years from the date of first DPFP registered examination date to pass the additional 4 ChFC®/S modules for the award of the ChFC®/S designation. It is the candidate's responsibility to monitor his own time bar for the examination completion of the DPFP or ChFC®/S programme. DPFP modules passed or exempted exceeding 3 years (or 36 months) from the date of first registered examination date are considered outdated passes and will not count towards meeting the DPFP qualifying requirements. Similarly, ChFC®/S modules passed or exempted exceeding 5 years (or 60 months) from the date of first registered examination date are considered outdated passes and will not count towards meeting the ChFC®/S qualifying requirements.

If the candidate does not complete all the modules within the time limit, the modules previously passed or exempted will no longer be valid and the candidate will be required to restart the DPFP or ChFC®/S programmes (whichever is applicable) and sit for all the modules. If there are any changes to the modules, SCI will make every effort to ensure that the candidate is not disadvantaged by such changes. There will be a proper transitional arrangement for the candidate. This time bar requirement is applicable to those who are not seeking IBF-STS funding. For those who are seeking the funding, Clawback Provision deadlines are applicable.

As a rule, no extension to the time bar will be considered and no related appeal will also be entertained. However, only on a case-by-case basis, approvals are granted for candidates who wish to appeal against the time bar rule. The candidates are required to write in to the SCI at <a href="mailto:talk2us@scidomain.org.sg">talk2us@scidomain.org.sg</a> with supporting reasons and documentary evidence. The SCI will only consider any appeal applications for extension by candidates whose time bar has expired. The candidates may write in to the SCI within 30 days from the time bar's expiry date to seek for an extension of the time bar. In the event the candidate writes in earlier than 30 days before the lapse of the time bar, The SCI will advise him to write in to the SCI again after his time bar has expired. The SCI will also not consider any appeals that are written in 30 days after the time bar's expiry date.

# **Continuing Professional Development (CPD)**

# Requirement

The holder of ChFC®/S designation must fulfil a Continuing Professional Development (CPD) requirement of 30 hours every two (2) years. If the holder attains the designation in year 2025, the accumulating period will be from year 2026 to year 2027. The CPD hours earned per accumulating period must be from educational activities in acceptable subject matter areas. The holder needs to maintain accurate records of all CPD activities he undertakes, along with a corresponding CPD hours tally, to verify that he complies with the CPD requirements. These records should be kept for at least 12 months after the accumulating period in which the activities occurred. The SCI may request the holder to submit the records for checks if necessary. Should there be a finding that the ChFC®/S holder does not comply with the Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Requirements, he will not be allowed to use the designation till the required CPD hours have been fulfilled accordingly.

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# Eligible to apply for the following

# IBF CERTIFICATION

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- Complete ChFC01/DPFP01 - ChFC09 + DPFP05E
- At least 8 years of relevant
- experience
- Required number of TSCs

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- Complete ChFC01/DPFP01 ChFC05/DPFP05 + DPFP05E
- At least 3 years of relevant experience
- Required number of TSCs

# IBF QUALIFIED (LEVEL 1)

- Complete ChFC01/DPFP01 or Cert FPC
- Required number of Technical Skills Competencies (TSCs)

# PROGRESSION PATHWAY



#### CHARTERED LIFE UNDERWRITER®/ SINGAPORE

- Awarded by SCI, under licence from The American College of Financial Services

ChFC\*/S holders who wish to also obtain CLU\*/S are only required to complete 4 modules:

- CLUS01 Individual Life Insurance
- CLUS03 Life Insurance Law
- CLUS04 Life Insurance Company Operations
- CLUS08 Group Benefits and Health Insurance





#### CHARTERED FINANCIAL CONSULTANT® /SINGAPORE

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5-module exemptions granted to DPFP holders, and they are only required to complete 4 modules:

- ChFC06 Planning for Business Owners and Professionals
- ChFC07 Wealth Management and Financial Planning
- ChFC08 Financial Planning Applications
- ChEC09 Ethics for the Financial Services Professional



# DIPLOMA IN PERSONAL FINANCIAL PLANNING (DPFP)

- Awarded by SCI

Cert FPC holders are only required to complete 5 modules:

- DPFP02 Risk Management, Insurance and Retirement Planning
- DPFP03 Tax, Estate Planning and Legal Aspects of Financial Planning
- DPFP04 Investment Planning
- DPFP05 Personal Financial Plan Construction
- DPFP05E Skills and Ethics for Financial Advisers

1 module exemption granted to Cert FPC holders for:

- DPFP01 Financial Planning: Process and Environment



# CERTIFICATE IN FINANCIAL NEEDS ANALYSIS AND PLAN CONSTRUCTION (CERT FPC)

Awarded by SCI

# IBF Certification

ChFC01 / DPFP01 - Financial Planning: Process and Environment addresses the following Technical Skills and Competencies (TSCs) and proficiency level:

Technical Skills and Competencies (TSCs)	Proficiency Level
A13. Ethical Culture	Level 3
B1. Account Management	Level 4
B3. Customer Acquisition Management	Level 4
B5. Customer Experience Management	Level 3
B10. Personal Finance Advisory	Level 4
E10. Client Investment Suitability	Level 3
G15. Product Advisory	Level 3
H8. Customer Acceptance Checking and Onboarding	Level 3

ChFC02 / DPFP02 - Risk Management, Insurance And Retirement Planning addresses the following Technical Skills and Competencies (TSCs) and proficiency level:

Technical Skills and Competencies (TSCs)	Proficiency Level
G15. Product Advisory	Level 4

ChFC03 / DPFP03 - Tax, Estate Planning and Legal Aspects of Financial Planning addresses the following Technical Skills and Competencies (TSCs) and proficiency level:

Technical Skills and Competencies (TSCs)	Proficiency Level
B10. Personal Finance Advisory	Level 4
G15. Product Advisory	Level 4

ChFC04/ DPFP04 - Investment Planning addresses the following Technical Skills and Competencies (TSCs) and proficiency level:

Technical Skills and Competencies (TSCs)	Proficiency Level
E10. Client Investment Suitability	Level 5
E16. Financial Analysis	Level 4

ChFC05 / DPFP05 - Personal Financial Plan Construction addresses the following Technical Skills and Competencies (TSCs) and proficiency level:

Technical Skills and Competencies (TSCs)	Proficiency Level
B1. Account Management	Level 5
B3. Customer Acquisition Management	Level 4
B10. Personal Finance Advisory	Level 4
G15. Product Advisory	Level 4
H8. Customer Acceptance Checking and Onboarding	Level 4

# **IBF**Certification



The 3 modules listed below address the following Technical Skills and Competencies (TSCs) and proficiency level:

ChFC06 - Planning for Business Owners and Professionals

ChFC07 - Wealth Management and Financial Planning

ChFC08 - Financial Planning Applications

Technical Skills and Competencies (TSCs)	Proficiency Level
B10. Personal Finance Advisory	Level 4

ChFC09 - Ethics for the Financial Services Professional and DPFP05E - Skills and Ethics for Financial Advisers addresses the following Technical Skills and Competencies (TSCs) and proficiency level:

Technical Skills and Competencies (TSCs)	Proficiency Level
A13. Ethical Culture	Level 4

IBF Certification is an industry endorsed mark of quality for finance professionals in Singapore. Individuals who successfully complete an eligible IBF-Standards Training Scheme ("IBF-STS") accredited assessment programme and meet the relevant criteria may apply for IBF Certification.

The IBF Certification is awarded to practitioners who have attained the required skills for the selected industry segment and function, and are expected to uphold values of professional excellence, integrity and commitment to the industry.

#### **Important Note:**

Holders of ChFC<sup>®</sup>/S will need to apply for IBF Certification on their own.

#### How to apply for the IBF Certification (Levels 1-3)

- 1. Log into your IBF account in the IBF Portal and click on apply for certification under 'My Certification'. You will need to create your IBF account if you don't already have one.
- 2. Fill in all the necessary particulars
  - √ Select 'Singapore College of Insurance' as your training provider and select the ChFC®/S programme.
- 3. Upload supporting documents
  - NOTE: You will be required to upload a copy of:
  - a. ChFC®/S Certificate of Completion
  - b. Your CV/Resume (RNF number to be indicated)
- \*For Applicants applying for IBF Advanced Level 2 & 3 only\*
   Download the Experience Requirement Form for your HR/Supervisor's endorsement
- 5. Confirm your application and head to the payment page to complete your application.

  Note that certification fees are currently waived, and fee reflected will be indicated as \$0.00 in the invoice.
- 6. You will be notified via email once IBF approves the application. Should IBF require further clarifications on the Certification Application, an email will be sent to you.

To find out more about IBF certification and the application process, please refer to the <u>IBF's website</u>.



## Please click here.

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