

Candidate Profile

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Ashley Frank is Associate Professor of Finance in the Graduate School of Business at the University of KwaZulu-Natal, Westville, where he teaches Financial Accounting, Corporate Finance and Investment Science on the MBA programme. He holds a first class economics degree from the University of Copenhagen as well as a Master's in Public Administration (Foreign Service specialisation) *Cum Laude*, from the College of Public Administration of Southern Africa. After graduate work in International Trade & Finance at the Edinburgh Business School he obtained his MBA, with distinction in Finance at the Buckinghamshire Business School. He has also completed, as a Dow Jones & Co. travelling bursar, the Program in Investment Management at the University of California-Berkeley. He subsequently obtained a MCom, by research and dissertation in Finance *Cum Laude* from the University of South Africa. His doctoral research is in the specialist area of capital markets.

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