

Newcomers: Fast Track Your Financial Career In Canada

# Meet The Presenters



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# What advice would you give to newcomers to help them overcome hurdles and successfully land a job in the Canadian Banking sector?

- Obtain Foreign credentials equivalency assessment
- Upgrade industry-required skills to respond to local market
- Learn job search strategies
- Understand hiring practices in Canada

- Overcome bias in the job market and bias for "Canadian Experience"
- Understand work culture
- Communicate effectively
- Practice speaking in English/French

# Familiarize yourself with all available resources and programs

**Newcomer Services:** Organisations to refer you to supports and services, such as newcomers' settlement tips, language training, assessment of language skills and qualifications, information on local childcare, etc.

Enhanced Language Training: Job specific language training with a focus in the financial field.

Free Employment Services: Provides all job seekers with support developing resumes, creating a personal brand and pitch, improving LinkedIn profiles, tips on job search strategies, and knowledge on recruitment events.

Mentoring Programs: Connect with professionals in your field, gain insights on how to pitch your skills, how to network, learn common hiring processes and get feedback on your personal pitch, resume and job search strategies.

Internships and Volunteering: Get local experience, references, etc.

Bridge Training Programs: Assess newcomers' skills, provide targeted training and help join the financial services industry quickly. Improve on workplace communication, business culture knowledge and job specific upskilling.

# Upgrade your skills to align with job requirements



Communication and Soft Skills
Vital to succeed in hiring
processes and in the workplace.



Local Professional Knowledge and Skills Local law, regulations, credentials, business culture, etc.



IT Skills
Trends in softwares used in financial industry and ability to work in remote and virtual environments.

# Build your professional network by attending industry events and online interactions



# **Networking Events**

Find out about the financial sector, banks/firms, hiring practices and trends, etc.



# **Intentional Networking**

Coffee chats and informal interviews



# Online Networking

Posting content and joining groups on LinkedIn and other social media platforms

# Success Stories – Tarun Dhingra

### 2011

Completed MBA in India and Hired as a Relationship Manager at HDFC Bank

## 2014

Promoted to Manager of Sales at MS
Consultants

### 2017

Completed Investment Funds in Canada (IFC) Course and Hired as a Financial Services Rep at CIBC

### 2021

Promoted to Assistant Branch Manager at RBC

# 2013

Promoted to Manager of Sales at Mahindra Bank

# 2017

Moved to Canada

### 2018

Promoted to Senior Financial Services Rep at CIBC



# Success Stories – Deepinder Kohli

2010

Joined TD bank as a Life Insurance Advisor after completing the LLQP Insurance Course

### 2014

Promoted to Financial
Planning Associate with
TD Wealth after
completing the Chartered
Life Underwriter (CLU®)
and the Canadian
Securities Course (CSC®)

### 2016

Completed the Wealth
Management
Essentials (WME®)
course and was
promoted to Financial
Planner at TD Wealth

### 2021

Obtained the Certified Financial Planner (CFP®) designation and is on track to complete the Chartered Investment Manager (CIM®) designation

### 2009

Completed Investment Funds in Canada (IFC) Course

### 2011

Obtained the Registered Health Underwriter (RHU) designation

# 2015

Completed the Conduct and Practices Handbook (CPH®) course

### 2017

Completed Capstone course from CSI to pursue the Certified Financial Planner (CFP®) designation



2007

Moved to Canada

# How can newcomers get started?

To kick-start a promising career in Canada's financial market, CSI offers two foundational licensing courses:

- The Canadian Securities Course
- The Investment Funds in Canada Course

CSI's courses and certifications provide you with a seal of approval that will earn you recognition from top-tier financial institutions.







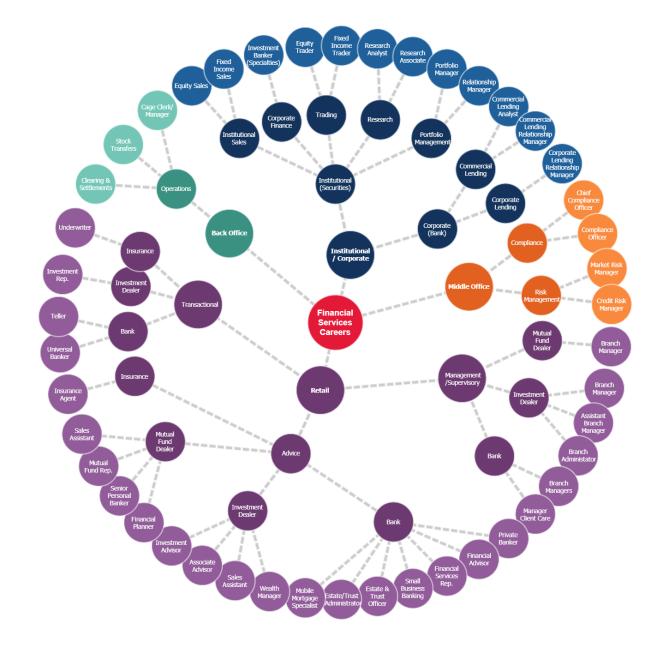
# Career Map

# csi.ca/careermap

How to use the Financial Services Career Map and Job Finder Tool

**STEP 1**: Search and explore multiple career options and learn about the different roles and opportunities available in the financial services industry.

STEP 2: View the recommended courses and credentials to make those goals a reality. You can also see the active job listings in the market for each role to better understand the requirements.



# Q&A and Contact Details

# To begin learning, visit <u>csi.ca/newcomers</u>











Questions? Email designations@csi.ca

# Thankyou