

# Three Academic Positions in Finance (Assistant, Associate and (Full) Professor level)

Company:  
**KU Leuven**

Location:  
**Belgium / Leuven, Antwerp, Brussels**

Discipline:

Employment Type:  
**Permanent Full-time**

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## **Three Academic positions in Finance (1 in Leuven, 1 in Antwerp, 1 in Brussels)**

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The Faculty of Economics and Business (FEB) of the KU Leuven has three vacancies for a full-time academic position in the field of Finance. We look for motivated candidates with an excellent or promising track record in research and demonstrable teaching skills in Finance.

[Unit website](#)

### **Research**

You are an ambitious, internationally oriented researcher in the domain of Finance. You publish in international top journals within the field, attract external research funding, develop international research projects, and advise doctoral students. You strive for excellence in research and as such contribute to the reputation of the Faculty of Economics and Business. You have an outspoken interest in fundamental scientific research and also perceive opportunities for valorization of research findings and applied research. You develop a network of business contacts that provides value to teaching and

research.

## **Teaching**

You will teach courses in the field of Finance at the campus Leuven, Brussels or Antwerp, with the specific courses assigned depending on your expertise and experience. You also contribute to the continuing development of the educational programs of the Finance research group (campus Antwerp, Brussels, Leuven) and you supervise master theses and/or bachelor projects. Tenure track candidates start with limited teaching duties.

You develop teaching methods in line with the KU Leuven approach of research-based education with an emphasis on activating students (for more information, please consult: <https://www.kuleuven.be/english/education/policy/vision-policy/vision> ). You take advantage of the opportunities offered by the faculty and the university to further develop your teaching skills. You contribute to the educational philosophy of the university, and you show commitment to uphold the high standards of its programs.

## **Service**

You show a willingness to integrate in the research group, to actively participate in and contribute to professional group activities, and to take up internal service duties. You put teaching and research activities at the service of society and aim to contribute to the broader social debate. Tenure track candidates start with limited service duties.

## **Profile**

You have a PhD in Economics or Business with an emphasis on Finance or a PhD in a related domain with evidence of expertise in this field of research.

The Finance research at the FEB focusses on three research clusters on the following topics: Banking, Capital Markets, and Empirical Corporate Finance. The candidate's research should have links to one of these research clusters. For one of the positions, there is a strong preference for research in Capital Markets; for a second position, there is a strong preference for research in Empirical Corporate Finance. You have excellent research potential. The quality of your research is demonstrated by the quality of your PhD dissertation, promising research projects and papers, publications in top-tier peer-reviewed journals and/or international research experience. Junior applicants are expected to show research excellence through a pipeline of promising research projects, papers and academic references. Experience in writing grant proposals and a strong international network are recommended.

You can show evidence of strong didactical skills and preferably have teaching experience in the field of Finance.

Your written and spoken English is excellent. The official administrative language used at KU Leuven is Dutch. If you do not speak Dutch (or do not speak it well) at the start of employment, you can follow language training provided by KU Leuven to enable you to take part in administrative meetings. Before teaching courses in Dutch, you will be given

the opportunity to learn Dutch to the required standard.

## **Offer**

The vacancies are open to both junior and senior researchers. PhD students in the final phase of their studies may also apply. The successful candidate will be hired in the rank of Assistant Professor, Associate Professor or (Full) Professor depending on your qualifications and academic experience. Junior researchers will be appointed as assistant professor in tenure track for a period of 5 years, which in case of a positive evaluation is followed by an appointment as a tenured associate professor.

This full-time position initially requires a clear commitment to the study programs offered on the Leuven, Brussels or Antwerp campus of the FEB, but you will join the cross-campus Finance research group, with frequent collaboration with colleagues on the three campuses of the FEB (Leuven, Antwerp and Brussels). You will join a dynamic and internationally oriented research environment. For more information, please consult: <https://feb.kuleuven.be/research/accounting-finance-insurance/accounting-finance-insurance>

The Faculty of Economics and Business has systematically been ranked highly by several independent accreditation committees regarding the quality of its research and teaching programs, please consult: <https://feb.kuleuven.be/research>. The FEB has recently acquired the renowned EQUIS accreditation and benefits from an extensive national and international network, both in academia and in the business world.

KU Leuven is well set to welcome foreign professors and their family and provides practical support with regard to immigration & administration, housing, childcare, learning Dutch, and partner career coaching, among others. To facilitate scientific onboarding and accelerate research in the first phase a starting grant of 110 000 euro is offered to new professors without substantial other funding, appointed for at least 50%.

The KU Leuven pursues a policy of equal opportunity and diversity and explicitly encourages underrepresented groups at the university to apply. For more information, please consult: <https://www.kuleuven.be/english/life-at-ku-leuven> and <http://feb.kuleuven.be/eng/about-feb/jobs>

## **Interested?**

For more information please contact Prof. dr. Florian Hoffmann, Chair of the search committee, Faculty of Economics and Business, mail: [florian.hoffmann@kuleuven.be](mailto:florian.hoffmann@kuleuven.be) or Prof. dr. Frederiek Schoubben, Chair of the Finance Research Group, mail: [frederiek.schoubben@kuleuven.be](mailto:frederiek.schoubben@kuleuven.be)

External Reference letters (required for junior applicants) can be sent directly to [evi.fosse@kuleuven.be](mailto:evi.fosse@kuleuven.be).

More detailed information on the job application procedure and the documents that need to be uploaded, can be found on the following website:

<https://www.kuleuven.be/personeel/jobsite/en/academic-staff/senior-academic-staff-tenure-track-information#job-application>

For problems with online applying, please contact [solliciteren@kuleuven.be](mailto:solliciteren@kuleuven.be)

You can apply for this job no later than November 04, 2024 via the [online application tool](#)

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