

NJIT 2016 Financial Literacy Camp Student Reactions

What I liked about the program is that we had an excellent teacher who made it very enjoyable for me to understand and grasp financial and business concepts. The experience in the program has made me realize the importance of managing money. The experience has definitely given me an introductory and practical edge in the financial field. I enjoyed my time in the program. The lessons were very beneficial and I think I made the right choice enrolling in this program over the summer. I feel that I have an edge over other students. The class work and group exercises were great. I wouldn't change anything in the summer program. I definitely would recommend this to a friend. I think that the skills learned in the program will benefit anyone regardless what their career goals are.

- S.V. (Winner)

What I liked about the program was the social part of the classroom. Everyone seemed to get to know each other which made it a lot easier to speak in class. All the TAs and professor T were very friendly and somewhat social. I really liked the visit to the Leir Foundation and the food was great. Well, in this program I have made a lot of new connections with people that will hopefully last for a lifetime. This program has also opened my mind into the world of business. Before this camp, I was not even thinking of going into any business in the future. This program has opened many doors for me. Yes, I did enjoy my time here. Being there with people I already knew made it a lot easier to interact with others. I would have really liked warm bagels, and I also wanted to roam around the campus on our breaks or go outside cause sometimes students need some fresh air. I already have recommended this camp to others.

- T.V.

I will like to say that I had so much fun. I am so happy that I can here. I got to make new friends and learn new things. This program taught me how to work in a team and how to talk because that is one of my weakness. I was always scared to do a presentation in front of others but this taught me that I just have to slow down, focus, and read the words because it is there to help guide me. I would love to come back next year and I am going to invite my friends. I hope to see you next year!

- K.B.

When first entering the financial literacy camp, I was honestly very intimidated. But working with Professor T was actually great. He did his best to break down these difficult and big terms. It feels great to better understand how to use Excel as well as familiarizing myself with the creation of graphs. This program has helped me to become stronger as a presenter and student. But it has also helped to show me what kind of material I will be learning in college. The field trips were also very fun especially with the team building. The only things that I would change in the experience would be to explore the campus a little bit more. We spent a majority of our time

cooped in the classroom and the only exploring we did was to the bathroom. Other than that, I would gladly send other people to experience this class as I move on to college.

- T.H.

What a great opportunity! For lack of a better word, I would simply say thank you. I have missed it already. I really enjoyed transitioning to new topics everyday within the Financial Field. This experience as a whole has now affected me to be less ignorant of the many skills and work needed to uphold any financial matter. It has also helped to stimulate myself to properly convey messages to an audience through one's elocution. I definitely had a good time there and I would certainly recommend it to a friend. If I could change anything I would have the professor refresh the memories from the previous day by conducting a quick group competition for answering the correct questions. By doing so, students can benefit a lot. I would also like to volunteer in any future program.

- D.A.

It was a great experience, definitely a smart way to start off your path into the world of Financial Business.

- J.L.

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The past four weeks at this program has changed me a little bit. From the first day I had friends and everyone has been nice and chill from the second I met them. I learned about finances and also friendship. The TA's were also great. Whenever I needed help, or even a nice conversation, they were there. The trips we went on were very nice too. I barely get out of my city and when I do it's always nice. Thanks for the knowledge and the experience. Hopefully you'll see me next year.

- L.M.

From the day I walked into the program, I knew that I was going to learn a lot that would further my knowledge of financials. The environment that I was around proved to be a tremendous help to building my character and improving myself. From being in the classroom to being on the fieldtrips furthered my leadership. This was a life changing experience that changed my life for the better. I thank everyone at NJIT for this amazing couple of weeks.

-J.A. (Winner)

Coming to this summer program was an exciting and new experience. I learned a lot of new things. Going to the trip and trying new things made me feel more confident about my leadership skills. This month I had great times with everyone. At the camp, I was scared to try new things, but I had the support of my friends. I think that was the best thing because I had someone to support me at all times. This summer program was really interesting; the first day of school, I really wasn't interested in business but now I changed my mind. I think it's exciting. I'm really looking forward to coming back next year.

-Unknown

I learned how to determine what stocks to invest in. I also learned how to read income statements and to find out which company is profitable. We learned how to work as a team and become leaders. I also made many friends. I really enjoyed this camp.

-Unknown

My favorite part of the program was learning about personal finance from Bernadette Strout. I plan on keeping the packet she gave us with the breakdown of how money should be spent and where. I have a better idea of how I want to spend my money in the future.

-Unknown

My experience during this program was very fun and different. I enjoyed meeting new people and doing new things. There was many cool people here and I learned from them as well. Thank you so much for everything. I'm looking forward to do this again.

-M.B.

The Financial Literacy Program was a great exposure to the world of business. The lessons were well-organized, however more teaching should have taken place. Quizzes should have been given on simple things like the four financial statements and ROA, ROS, ROE, etc. Although I have gained the knowledge of net income and margins, the Excel lessons were unnecessary. Overall, the program was a good experience that could have been even better if it were longer.

- K.W.

At the Financial Literacy Program, I had a mostly positive experience. I learned a lot and further understood some things I had previously learned. It was a great introduction to business and financing and could possibly help me with some practical skills in life. I wish that I had learned more about the business world, instead of reviewing what we had learned constantly. Also the motivational videos were enjoyable and overall, it was an enriching experience.

- AM.A.

The program was fun. I met new people, learned new things, and shared many laughs. I would love to do this camp again. Thanks for the opportunity to experience this camp.

- K.W.

The program was an exciting new experience. I learned many new things about the stock market. Making those trips were actually really helpful to develop my leadership skills. Going to the Leir Foundation helped me learn everyone's name and also to work in a team while competing with others was a nice experience. At the camp on the other hand, I wish you could help us develop our leadership skills and communication skills. We learn that communication is not only about talking, it also involves listening to other people. Also facing our fears, which are only in our head going 20ft up high and walking on that rope; it was great to face my fear. While in class, we learned things on how to view statements and what different statements show to the person. We created our slide shows on our company, also learning how to use excel and creating our own graphs. Those things were very helpful, because now I know a lot about excel. This experience was extremely rewarding and unforgettable.

- E.L.

I had a really good time throughout the whole program. In general I especially enjoyed the two trips, especially the last one because by this point I knew everyone. I also really liked climbing the trees and doing the rope thing. I learned a lot about business, things I didn't even know existed. A lot of stuff happened. I'm pretty sure this is an experience I won't ever forget. I won't forget the people either. Everyone including the TA's made this experience memorable. I really enjoyed everything.

- A.A. (Winner)

The camp was a great experience. I learned how to read a balance sheet. The professor, TA's, and my peers were nice and helpful.

- C.C.

I thought it was fun and enjoyable, especially the field trips. I'm going to miss a lot of the people here. I also learned a lot from this program.

- J.H.

I really enjoyed myself in this camp and I made a lot of friends. I learned a lot about economics and how to run a manageable company. Thank you!

- Unknown

Overall I enjoyed my experience at the Financial Literacy Camp. I learned a lot of new things. I feel that this course will help me in the future. I also was able to come out of my comfort zone at the Princeton Blairstown Camp. I learned about leadership skills and I enjoyed all the activities. The people were also very nice and fun to be around. I will never forget my experience at this camp.

- T.A.

The experience this camp has offered with fun and financial information was great. The camp trips were fun and had a purpose. Though the lunches were repetitive for the first 2 ½ weeks. The project was great to create as a group. The camp let me gain and learn many names and friends.

- M.L.

I liked the program. It was a fun and interesting experience. I met new friends and learned new things in class.

- J.C.

My experience here was good. I learned a lot of new things. I enjoyed the field trip Tuesday and had a lot of fun. I also made new friends. My experience here was amazing. I wish I was here for the first week.

- Unknown

I think the program helped me understand more about finances. It helped me understand how businesses worked well and why others failed. I made new friends and it helped me grow my skills in a team. I thank the program for teaching me news that I never learned before.

- Unknown