



About the FDP Institute

The World of Finance is rapidly changing. As finance institutions continue to implement quant strategies, the need for data science and machine learning skills continue to grow. The Financial Data Professional Institute (FDPI) was established by [CAIA Association](#) to address the growing need in finance for a workforce that has the skills to perform in a digitized world where an increasing number of decisions will be data and analytics driven.

The FDP Credential is the first designation of its kind in the industry in data science for finance professionals to boost and integrate quant knowledge into analysts' skills.

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