About CFA Society Japan

The CFA Society of Japan (CFA Japan) was established in 1999 as one of CFA Institute member societies, and later incorporated in April 2011. In partnership with CFA Institute, CFA Japan conducts educational programs and disseminates information and ideas related to the investment profession. CFA Japan promotes: ethical and professional standards within the investment industry; encourage professional development through the CFA Program and continuing education; facilitate the exchange of information and opinions among people within the local community and beyond; and work to further the public’s understanding of the CFA designation and investment industry.

Mission Statement

To lead the investment profession in Japan by promoting the highest standards of ethics, education and professional excellence to the ultimate benefit of society.

Vision

We aspire to lead the investment profession with respect to:

BOLDER VOICE
Extend our promotion of ethical and trustworthy investment markets and services, and education for investment professionals and other market participants in Japan.

BROADER MISSION
Provide the voice in Japan for an effective investment industry that reflects our values.

BIGGER COMMUNITY
Broaden and re-balance our reach in Japan with those working in or using the financial markets.

Chartered Financial Analyst® Designation

Since it was first introduced in 1963, the Chartered Financial Analyst® designation, or CFA charter, has become the most respected and recognized investment credential in the world. Earning the CFA charter demonstrates mastery of the skills most needed for investment analysis and decision making in today’s fast-evolving global financial industry. To earn the CFA charter you must complete the CFA Program consisted of three levels, have four years of qualifying investment work experience and become a member of CFA Institute, pledging to adhere to the CFA Institute Code of Ethics and Standards of Professional Conduct on an annual basis.
GROWTH
CFA Japan membership has grown to 1067 members (Jan.2019) from 70 in 1999.

Growth of CFA Japan Members

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MEMBER PROFILE
CFA charterholder Information
CFA charterholder 93.4%
Non-charterholder 6.6%

Industry Classifications
Pension Fund 38.8%
Bank/Investment Bank 17.0%
Mutual Fund/Investment Company 13.8%
Insurance Company 13.0%
Private Equity Fund 3.5%
Hedge Fund 3.0%
Government/Municipal Entity 3.0%
Other 7.9%

Titles and Occupations
Portfolio Manager 27.3%
Analyst 20.9%
Relationship Manager 9.2%
Chief Executive (e.g.,CEO, CIO,etc) 6.3%
Risk Manager 6.1%
Consultant 5.5%
Manager of Manager 4.5%
Accountant/Auditor 3.2%
Trader 3.1%
Strategist 1.8%
Financial Advisor 1.8%
Other 10.3%

CFA Program Partners
CFA Program Partners are high profile universities of global stature that embed a significant percentage of the CFA Program Candidate Body of Knowledge (CBOK) into their degree programs. In Japan, the following three graduate schools are program partners.

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