

BLOCKCHAIN SECONDARY CONCENTRATION

Blockchain. In short, it's a technology that allows people who don't know each other to trust a shared record of events. It's also a fast-growing technology that has the potential to affect business sectors as diverse as banking, energy, music, and nonprofit, and is connected to headline grabbing cryptocurrencies and NFTs. With thousands of blockchain-related jobs available in New York City alone, candidates who can use the technology to improve a company's performance are in high demand.

Fordham's leadership in blockchain education has been highlighted in *Fortune* magazine twice (here and here) and its faculty includes an inducted fellow of the British Blockchain Association. The secondary concentration in blockchain gives Gabelli School graduate students the opportunity to master the skills needed to stand out in this space. Students will learn the fundamentals of blockchain, examine the role of cryptocurrencies as a medium of exchange and as a store of value, explore the legal and regulatory issues surrounding the field, and how to build their own decentralized application (DApp).

Graduate students who pursue the secondary concentration in blockchain are encouraged to join the Fordham Fintech Network, attend a meeting of the Enterprise Ethereum Alliance, or participate in one of the numerous meetups on blockchain and cryptocurrencies taking place around New York City.

In addition, students have the chance to attend conferences with industry leaders without leaving campus. The Gabelli School has been host to the Blockchain Disruptor Conference and Fordham's Institute of International Humanitarian Affairs Humanitarian Blockchain Summit. Recent events include the NFTs: Welcome to the Metaverse panel co-sponsored with the Museum of American Finance, a Gabelli+ educational event with alumnus Joshua Q. Israel Satten (who built out the first middleware blockchain solution for the U.S. government), and the Fordham Finance Society's 7th Annual Trending in Finance Conference on Financial Technologies and Transactions in a Post-COVID World.

Requirements

To earn this secondary concentration, students must earn 9 credits of courses from the list below.

Courses in this group have the ABBC attribute.

Course	Title	Credits
FNGB 74BK	Fintech -An Introduction	3
FNGB 849I	Blockchain	1.5
FNGB 849J	Digital Currencies	1.5
ISGB 799Y	Blockchain Tech & App Dev	3
SAGB 76BS	Blockchain: Industry Disruptor and Creator	3

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