MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

During the academic year 2016-2017, we recruited two new Junior Faculty Members. However, both recruits will hold postdoc positions for one year and will not join Princeton until July 2018. Natalie Cox, who completed her PhD at UC Berkeley will be visiting Stanford University for a year, and Moritz Lenel, who finished his PhD at Stanford, will be visiting the University of Chicago.

A significant highlight for the Center was our first ever FinTech@Princeton Conference in the Spring, which attracted several high profile speakers. Larry Summers (Harvard) and Michael Evans (Alibaba, Princeton alumni) gave our keynote addresses. The conference was an overall success and marked the beginning of Princeton’s effort in this space. BCF strives to be part of the university’s wider effort to create an ecosystem that fosters entrepreneurship and innovation. Fintech has the potential to disrupt the financial industry and we think that Princeton can have the edge in this space. Princeton’s proximity to NYC is one of its advantages. The high concentration of domain expertise in NYC allows Princeton to become the meeting place between technological and financial domain expertise. Therefore, we want to (slightly) tilt our teaching efforts in this direction. The new course on “Venture Capitalism, Innovation and entrepreneurship” is part of this initiative. Moreover, we also started offering a new elective class “Data Science and Finance”, which covers elements of machine learning. In the coming years we will continue to strengthen our leadership in this area. We will also seek more guidance from faculty in other departments such as Computer Science.

The Center has and will continue to engage in several research-related initiatives in an effort to broaden our visibility, as well as to continue to provide our faculty and students with the best possible research opportunities.

As always we are grateful for all your support throughout the academic year.

Markus Brunnermeier
Edwards S. Sanford Professor
Director, Bendheim Center for Finance
BCF MOVES

The Bendheim Center for Finance (BCF) moved its location from the historic Dial Lodge to the newly renovated Julis Romo Rabinowitz Building, also known as 20 Washington (formerly Frick Chemistry) in December of 2016. BCF occupies the North Tower of the new building, which – as Provost Paul LaMarche has stated – “realizes the University’s goal of having all of Princeton’s economists together in one place… consolidating the department into a single location will facilitate collaboration and make it easier to sustain a vibrant and collegial intellectual community.” It also houses the Julis Rabinowitz Center for Public Policy and Finance, the Griswold Center for Economic Policy Studies, Dietrich Theory Center, Simpson Macro Center as well as the Center for Health and Wellbeing and the Center for Behavioral Science and Public Policy and International programs.

While the Dial Lodge at 26 Prospect Avenue will always hold a special place in the Center’s history the move to the new space offers BCF much needed additional faculty and research space as well as a dedicated Master in Finance lounge/learning area and an interview room for job placement opportunities.

The entire building together with the Louis A. Simpson portion of the building features new classrooms, offices and meeting spaces, including an Atrium and a suspended meeting room. The building was designed by renowned architect David Jesson with Kuwabara Payne McKenne Blumberg Architects. The building also showcases the University’s continued commitment to sustainability and to maintaining the historic character of the original stone work, window panels and the many areas of wrought iron and archways.

Acclaimed Pakistani-American artist Shahzia Sikander was commissioned to create site-specific artworks that have been permanently installed in the two buildings. Sikander created a twenty-five-foot luminous multilayered glass painting that overlooks the Economics Forum and a sixty-six-foot mosaic in the International Atrium.
FACULTY

DILIP ABREU is the Edward E. Matthews, Class of 1953, Professor of Finance and Professor of Economics. His research interests include behavioral economics and finance, economic theory, and game theory. In these areas he has made particular contributions to the theory of dynamic games, implementation, reputational bargaining, and bubbles and crashes. He is a fellow of the Econometric Society and a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He received a B.A. from Bombay University, an M.A. from the Delhi School of Economics, an M.Phil. from the University of Oxford, and a Ph.D. in economics from Princeton.

MARK AGUIAR is the Walker Professor of Economics and International Finance at Princeton University. Professor Aguiar’s research addresses issues in open- and closed-economy macroeconomics. He has studied emerging market business cycles, sovereign debt, the political economy of capital taxation, and growth. His recent research on sovereign debt concerns self-fulfilling debt crises and equilibrium maturity choice. He has also investigated life-cycle consumption, time allocation, and trends in labor supply. Professor Aguiar is currently co-editor of the American Economic Review. He received his Ph.D. in economics from MIT in 1999.

YACINE AÏT-SAHALIA is the Otto A. Hack ’03 Professor of Finance and Economics. He served as the founding director of the Bendheim Center for Finance from 1998 until 2014. He was previously a professor at the University of Chicago’s Graduate School of Business. He was named an outstanding faculty member by BusinessWeek’s 1997 Guide to the Best Business Schools and is the recipient of the 1997 Michael Brennan Award, the 2001 FAME Award, and the 2003 Aigner Award. He received fellowships from the Sloan and Guggenheim Foundations. He is a fellow of the Econometric Society, the American Statistical Association, and the Institute of Mathematical Statistics, and a research associate for the National Bureau of Economic Research. He currently serves as a co-editor of the Journal of Econometrics. He edited the Handbook of Financial Econometrics with Lars P. Hansen and recently co-authored High Frequency Financial Econometrics with Jean Jacod. He received his Ph.D. in economics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1993 and his undergraduate degree from École Polytechnique.

ALAN BLINDER is the Gordon S. Rentschler Memorial Professor of Economics. He also founded the Griswold Center for Economic Policy Studies at Princeton in 1990. He is former vice chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (1994–96) and before that was a member of President Clinton’s original Council of Economic Advisers (1993–94). He also served briefly as deputy assistant director of the Congressional Budget Office in 1975. He is the vice chairman of Promontory Interfinancial Network, a director of the Council on Foreign Relations, and a member of the Economic Club of New York. Blinder was elected to the American Philosophical Society and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He is the author or coauthor of 17 books, the latest being “After the Music Stopped”, lauded by the New York Times as one of the five best nonfiction books of 2013. Blinder has also written scores of scholarly articles on topics such as fiscal policy, monetary policy, and the distribution of income. He received his Ph.D. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.
MARKUS K. BRUNNERMEIER is the Edwards S. Sanford Professor of Economics at Princeton University. He is a faculty member of the Department of Economics and director of Princeton's Bendheim Center for Finance. He is the founding and former director of Princeton’s Julis Rabinowitz Center for Public Policy and Finance and affiliated with the International Economics Section. He is a member of several advisory groups for the IMF, the Federal Reserve of New York, the European Systemic Risk Board, the Bundesbank and the U.S. Congressional Budget Office. Brunnermeier was awarded his Ph.D. by the London School of Economics (LSE). His research focuses on international financial markets and the macroeconomy with special emphasis on bubbles, liquidity, financial and monetary price stability. He is a Sloan Research Fellow, Fellow of the Econometric Society, recipient of the Bernácer Prize and Guggenheim Fellowship. He has been awarded several best paper prizes and served on the editorial boards of several leading economics and finance journals. He has tried to establish the concepts liquidity spirals, CoVaR as co-risk measure, the paradox of prudence, and the I Theory of Money.

RENÉ CARMONA is the Paul M. Wythes ’55 Professor of Engineering and Finance. He joined Princeton in 1995. He was elected fellow of the Institute of Mathematical Statistics in 1984, and of the Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics in 2009. He is also a member of the Bachelier Finance Society. Among his many editorial responsibilities, he was the co-founder and editor in chief of Electronic Journal in Probability, Communications in Probability and SIAM Journal on Financial Mathematics. He works on mathematical models for the commodity and high frequency markets, and computational methods for quantitative finance.

MARYAM FARBOODI joined the Bendheim Center for Finance as an Assistant Professor in July 2014. Her research interests focus primarily on financial networks. Maryam finished her PhD at the University of Chicago with a joint degree with Booth School of Business and the Department of Economics. Her main research interests are in corporate finance, financial networks, and informational frictions. She was one of the six selected PhD students who toured Europe to present their research as part of the Review of Economic Studies Tour in 2004. She is the recipient of the John Leusner Fellowship, Top Finance Graduate Award and Best Finance Theory paper.

JIANQING FAN is the Frederick L. Moore ’18 Professor of Finance. His research interests include financial econometrics, asset pricing, statistical learning, nonparametric modeling, and computational biology. As a specialist in statistics and financial econometrics, Fan received the 2000 Presidents’ Award from the Committee of Presidents of Statistical Societies, the 2007 Morningside Gold Medal of Applied Mathematics, the Guggenheim Fellowship in 2009, Academician of Academia Sinica in 2012, Guys Medal in Silver of Royal Statistical Society in 2014. He was the president of the Institute of Mathematical Statistics, an elected fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the American Statistical Association, and the Institute of Mathematical Statistics. He has coauthored three highly regarded books. He serves as the co-editor of the Journal of Econometrics and associate editor Journal of the American Statistical Association. He has served as the co-editor (in-chief) of the Annals of Statistics, Probability Theory and Related Fields, and Econometrics Journal, and associate editor of Econometrica, and Journal of Financial Econometrics. He earned his Ph.D. from the University of California–Berkeley.

MIKHAIL GOLOSOV is a professor of economics at Princeton University. Dr. Golosov has also held positions at Yale University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He is the associate editor of Econometrica and Journal of Public Economics. Dr. Golosov was awarded the Sloan Research Fellowship in 2008 as well as the National Science Foundation CAREER Grant. His research covers topics in macroeconomics, public finance and political economy.
HAROLD JAMES holds a joint appointment as a professor of international affairs in the Woodrow Wilson School and a professor in the history department, studies economic and financial history and modern German history. He was educated at the University of Cambridge (Ph.D., 1982) and was a fellow of Peterhouse for eight years before coming to Princeton in 1986. In 2004, he was awarded the Helmut Schmidt Prize for Economic History, and in 2005, the Ludwig Erhard Prize for writing about economics. He is chair of the editorial board of World Politics.

JAKUB KASTL is a Professor of Economics at Princeton University, Research Associate at the National Bureau of Economic Research and Research Fellow at the Center for Economic Policy Research. His research is in the field of industrial organization, finance and microeconomics. He is a recipient of the Sloan Fellowship and a CAREER grant by the National Science Foundation. His main research interests are in empirical and theoretical analysis of auction markets, with particular emphasis on links with financial markets. He has worked with the European Central Bank, the Bank of Canada, and the US Department of Treasury. He was involved in the design and performance evaluation of various auction markets ranging from treasury bill auctions to spectrum auctions. Jakub received his PhD is at Northwestern University.

NOBUHIRO KIYOTAKI is the Harold H. Helm ’20 Professor of Economics and Banking. He received his Ph.D. at Harvard University. He has published widely in macroeconomics and monetary economics, including “Monopolistic Competition and the Effects of Aggregate Demand,” with Olivier Blanchard in 1987, “On Money as a Medium of Exchange,” with Randall Wright in 1989, and “Credit Cycles,” with John Moore in 1997. Kiyotaki also serves as an academic consultant for the Federal Reserve Banks of New York and Richmond. Among professional honors, Kiyotaki received in 2010 the Stephen A. Ross Prize in Financial Economics and 2014 Banque de France – TSE Senior Prize in Monetary Economics and Finance. He is a Fellow of the Econometric Society and a Fellow of the British Academy.

ADRIEN MATRAY is an assistant professor of Economics and Finance and is affiliated with the Julis-Rabinowitz Center for Public Policy and Finance. Part of his research deals with understanding the frictions affecting entrepreneurship, SME growth and technology adoption and how new technologies affect SME productivity, employment and income growth. In addition, he also studies the determinants and consequences of access to banking services for low-income households. In particular he studies how the supply bank branches affect financial inclusion and how health risk and the expansion of publicly-provided health insurance on low-income household debt. His final interest is on behavioral economics and finance where he studies if professional managers of large listed firms display behavioral biases and may have distorted beliefs. He also studies how to use behavioral economics to lever-up public good contributions in the context of internet platforms and to foster adoption of new financial products (e.g. specific debit cards designed to facilitation NGO contributions). He holds a PhD in Finance from HEC-Paris. He received a M.A in Economics from the Paris School of Economics in 2009 and a M.A. in Finance from the Ecole Polytechnique in 2008. He has previously been a Consultant for the French Ministry of Economic and Finance and for the World Bank.

ATIF MIAN holds a bachelors degree in Mathematics and Ph.D. in Economics from MIT. Prior to joining Princeton in 2012 he taught at the University of Chicago Booth School of Business and U.C. Berkeley. His research studies links between financial markets and the macro economy. Professor Mian’s work emphasizes the role played by political, governance, and organizational constraints in shaping the effectiveness and scope of financial markets. His more recent work centers on understanding the origins of the global financial crisis, the political economy of government intervention in financial markets, and the link between asset prices, household borrowing, and consumption. Professor Mian’s highly profiled book “House of Debt” was released in 2014.
STEPHEN MORRIS is the Alexander Stewart 1886 Professor of Economics, and his work ranges from game theory to applied (microeconomic) theory to topics in financial economics. He joined Princeton in 2005. He taught at the University of Pennsylvania from 1991 to 1998, first as an assistant and then as an associate professor. He joined the Yale University faculty as a professor of economics in 1998. Morris received his Ph.D. in economics from Yale in 1991.

ULRICH MÜLLER is a professor in the Department of Economics. He received his Ph.D. in economics from the University of St. Gallen, Switzerland. His research interest is in econometrics. His recent work focuses on Bayesian inference, low frequency variability, and the development of econometric tools that are robust to correlations of largely unknown form. He is the Associate Chair of the Department of Economics and a member of the Association of Econometrics.

JOHN MULVEY is a professor of operations research and financial engineering. His research interests center on designing financial planning systems, primarily for pension plans, hedge funds, and family offices; developing optimal hedge fund strategies; combining financial optimization and stochastic models; stochastic optimization algorithms; and decentralized risk management. He was a finalist for the Edelman Prize for the Towers Perrin-Tillinghast investment system in 1999. He received his Ph.D. in management from the University of California–Los Angeles.

DAVID SCHOENHERR joined the Bendheim Center for Finance as an Assistant Professor in July 2016. David finished his PhD in Finance at London Business School. His main research interests are in corporate finance, financial contracting, and the intersection of finance and labor economics. He was the recipient of Top Finance Graduate Award in 2016.

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RONNIE SIRCAR is a professor of operations research and financial engineering. He received his doctorate from Stanford University, and taught for three years at the University of Michigan in the Department of Mathematics before coming to Princeton. Ronnie also sits as the Director of Graduate Studies for the center’s MFIN program. He has received continuing National Science Foundation research grants since 1998. He was a recipient of the E-Council Excellence in Teaching Award for his teaching in 2002, 2005, and 2006 and the Howard B. Wentz Jr. Junior Faculty Award in 2003. His research interests center on financial mathematics, stochastic volatility models, credit risk, asymptotic and computational methods, portfolio optimization and stochastic control problems, stochastic differential games and energy and commodities markets.
ROBERT VANDERBEI has been a professor in the Department of Operations Research and Financial Engineering since its creation in 1999 and was the chair from 2005-2012. His research interests focus on algorithms for nonlinear optimization and their application to problems arising in engineering and science. Application areas of interest focus mainly on inverse Fourier transform optimization problems and action minimization problems with a special interest in applying these techniques to the design of NASA's terrestrial planet finder space telescope. He is an associate editor for Optimization in Engineering, Optimization Methods and Software and Mathematical Programming. He is a member of numerous professional societies and is a Fellow of three of them: the American Mathematical Society (AMS), the Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM) and the Institute for Operations Research and Management Science (INFORMS). He received his Ph.D. in applied mathematics from Cornell University in 1981.

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WEI XIONG is the Hugh Leander and Mary Trumbull Adams Professor in Finance and professor of economics in the Department of Economics. His research interests center on capital market imperfections. His earlier work covers speculative bubbles induced by heterogeneous beliefs and short-sales constraints, effects of stock price bubbles on managerial incentives and firm investment, asset market contagion, limited investor attention, non-standard investor preferences, asset pricing with heterogeneous beliefs and rollover risk and dynamic coordination problems between creditors. He is currently focusing on financialization of commodities markets, belief distortions in the recent financial crisis, and China’s financial system. He received his Ph.D. from Duke University in 2001. He is a research associate of the National Bureau of Economic Research and had been the finance editor of Management Science in 2009-2011.

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EMERITUS FACULTY

GREGORY CHOW is the Class of 1913 Professor of Political Economy, Emeritus. He received his Ph.D. from the University of Chicago in 1955. He taught at MIT, Cornell, Harvard and Columbia universities and was manager of economic research at the I.B.M. Thomas J. Watson Research Center before joining Princeton as director of the Econometric Research Program, renamed the Gregory C. Chow Econometric Research Program in 2001. He is a Distinguished Fellow of the American Economic Association, a member of the American Philosophical Society and of Academia Sinica and a fellow of the American Statistical Association and of the Econometric Society. His contributions to economics cover three main areas: 1) econometrics, including the often used “Chow test” for parameter stability, the estimation of simultaneous stochastic equations, and criteria for model selection; 2) dynamic economics, including spectral methods and optimal control methods for the analysis of econometric models and dynamic optimization under uncertainty to be solved by the method of Lagrange multipliers (in lieu of dynamic programming); and 3) the Chinese economy. He writes a column in three major newspapers in China, one in Taiwan and one in Hong Kong. He is editor of the Routledge Handbook of the Chinese Economy, 2015.

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DANIEL KAHNEMAN is a senior scholar and professor of psychology and public affairs, emeritus, at the Woodrow Wilson School, the Eugene Higgins Professor of Psychology Emeritus at Princeton, and a fellow of the Center for Rationality at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. Kahneman has held the position of professor of psychology at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem (1970–78), the University of British Columbia (1978–86), and the University of California–Berkeley (1986–94). He is a member of the National Academy of Science, the Philosophical Society, and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and a fellow of the American Psychological Association, the American Psychological Society, the Society of Experimental Psychologists, and the Econometric Society. He has been the recipient of many awards, among them the Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences (2002); the Lifetime Contribution Award of the American Psychological Association (2007) and the Grawemeyer Prize (2002), both jointly with Amos Tversky; the Warren Medal of the Society of Experimental Psychologists (1995); the Distinguished Scientific Contribution Award of the American Psychological Association (1982); and the Hilgard Award for Career Contributions to General Psychology (1995). Kahneman holds honorary degrees from numerous universities.
PAUL KRUGMAN is the author or editor of dozens of books and several hundred articles, primarily about international trade and international finance. He is also internationally known for his twice-weekly columns in The New York Times. He was the Ford International Professor of International Economics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and has served on the staff of the U.S. Council of Economic Advisers. In 2008, Krugman received the Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences. He was the recipient of the 1991 John Bates Clark Medal, an award given every two years by the American Economic Association to an economist under 40. He received his Ph.D. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He holds a joint appointment with the economics department and the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs.

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JOSÉ A. SCHEINKMAN joined emeritus status in 2013 and joined Princeton as the Theodore Wells ’29 Professor of Economics in 1999. He received an M.S. in mathematics from the Instituto de Matemática Pura e Aplicada, Brazil, and an M.A. and a Ph.D. in economics from the University of Rochester. Scheinkman is a research associate of the National Bureau of Economic Research, a member of the National Academy of Sciences, a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and of the Econometric Society, a corresponding member of the Brazilian Academy of Sciences, and a “docteur honoris causa” of the University of Paris-Dauphine. He was named a fellow of the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation in 2007. From 1973 to 1998, Scheinkman taught at the University of Chicago, where he was from 1995 to 1998 the chair of the economics department, and beginning in 1997 the Alvin H. Baum Distinguished Service Professor of Economics. From 1987–88, he was vice president of the Financial Strategies Group at Goldman, Sachs & Co. During 2002, he held a Blaise Pascal Research Chair (France). His current research interests are the determinants of the size of the financial industry, asset-price bubbles, and developing tools for empirical studies of asset markets.

KENNETH STEIGLITZ is the Eugene Higgins Professor of Computer Science, received his doctorate in 1963 from New York University and has been at Princeton ever since. He is a fellow of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (1981), a fellow of the Association for Computing Machinery (1997), and a recipient of the Technical Achievement Award of the Signal Processing Society (1981), the Signal Processing Society Award (1986), the IEEE Centennial Medal (1984), the School of Engineering Distinguished Teacher Award (1997), and the IEEE Third Millennium Medal (2000). His current research interests are in agent-based modeling of markets, auctions, and computing using soliton collisions. Kenneth Steiglitz has transferred to emeritus status and continues to work on emergent behavior in agent-based macroeconomic models.
ERIK VANMARCKE is a professor of civil and environmental engineering. He received his doctorate from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1970 and joined the faculty, remaining there until 1985. At MIT, he was the Gilbert W. Winslow Career Development Professor and served as director of the Civil Engineering Systems Methodology Group. He has held visiting appointments at Harvard University, Technical University of Delft (the Netherlands), and University of Leuven (Belgium), his undergraduate alma mater, and was the Shimizu Corporation Visiting Professor at Stanford University. He presently holds the Kwang-Hua Chair Visiting Professorship at Tongji University in Shanghai, China. His principal expertise is in risk assessment and applied systems science. He authored Random Fields: Analysis and Synthesis, originally published by MIT Press; the second (revised and expanded) was published in 2010 by World Scientific Company. He won several research prizes of the American Society of Civil Engineers and chaired its Council on Disaster Risk Management. He was awarded a Senior Scientist Fellowship from the Japanese Society for the Promotion of Science and is a foreign member of the Royal Academy of Arts and Sciences of Belgium.
VISITING FACULTY

During the academic year 2016-2017, the Bendheim Center for Finance welcomed the following visiting faculty:

MARTIN CHERKES has been teaching at Princeton (on and off) since 1997. In Fall of academic 2017-18 he teaches a course in “Investment management”, a course that serves as a “gatekeeping class” for UFC. The course is open to graduate as well as undergraduate students and provides a broad introduction to Finance and Financial Markets. In Spring of academic 2017-18 he will teach a course in Venture Capital to introduce students to financing and valuation techniques as they are employed by a venture capitalist. Martin’s research interest is in the area of financial theory (IPOs, Mutual Funds etc.). He holds a PhD in economics from UPenn and an MSc in mathematics from Novosibirsk State. In 1986-1994 he worked in research and management roles on Wall Street.

DONG BOEM CHOI is an Economist in the Financial Intermediation Function at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. His research interests are in financial intermediation and macroeconomics, topics including liquidity, financial stability, financial intermediary and monetary policy transmission. He received his Ph.D. in Economics from Princeton University in 2012, and B.A in Economics from Seoul National University in 2005.

JEAN-CHRISTOPHE DE SWAAN has been teaching at Princeton since the Spring of 2009 as a Lecturer. He teaches a joint undergraduate and graduate course, The Rise of Asian Capital Markets, and a Freshman seminar, Ethics in Financial Markets. He also teaches at the University of Cambridge and has taught at Yale University, Cheung Kong Business School and Renmin University in Beijing. He is also a Principal at Cornwall Capital, a multi-strategy hedge fund based in New York. Prior to that, he was a special adviser on China at a global macro hedge fund, a Principal at an Asia-dedicated hedge fund, and a consultant at McKinsey & Company. He received his B.A. from Yale University, an MPhil in International Relations from the University of Cambridge, and a Masters in Public Policy from Harvard University’s Kennedy School of Government. He is a Member of the Council on Foreign Relations. He is a faculty advisor in Rockefeller College (Princeton University) and an Associate Fellow of Ezra Stiles College (Yale University).

YAXIN DUN is an Economist at the Federal Reserve Board in Washington, DC. Her research areas include Empirical Asset Pricing, Behavioral Finance, and Financial Institutions. Yaxin received her Ph.D. from Yale University for a Ph.D. in 2011.

GREG DUFFEE is an Economist at Johns Hopkins whose research focuses primarily on building and testing mathematical models of interest rate behavior. His professional career started as a staff economist at the Federal Reserve Board. Prior to joining Johns Hopkins he was a professor at the University of California at Berkeley and has taught at the University of Pennsylvania’s Wharton School of Business. He received his Ph.D. from Harvard University in 1989.
AMIN JAFARIAN is currently at Cubist Systematic Strategies LLC. Amin graduated from the Master in Finance program at Princeton University. Prior to that he receive his PhD at University of Texas at Austin, on Lattice Coding and Structure Codes (in dept use of Additive Combinatorics and optimizations with “Gaussian” like constraints). During his PhD he worked on areas like distributed resource allocation, Entropy region characterization (in depth use of Matroids and Convex optimization), and the capacity region of Broadcast channel (in dept use of Optimization, information theoretical inequalities).

RICARDO LAGOS is Professor of Economics at New York University. His research interests are in macroeconomics, with emphasis on monetary and financial economics. Ricardo received his Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Pennsylvania in 1997. He has worked as a Lecturer (UK equivalent of Assistant Professor) in the Department of Economics at the London School of Economics, and as a Senior Economist at the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis. Ricardo has been a Visiting Scholar at the Bank of Canada and the Federal Reserve Banks of Cleveland, Minneapolis, New York, Philadelphia, and St. Louis. Ricardo’s visit at Princeton was supported by the Janeway Initiative Funds, used to bridge the gap between Economics and the Center.

STEPHAN LUCK works as an economist in the Division of Financial Stability at the Federal Reserve Board of Governors in Washington D.C.. He holds a diploma and PhD in economics from University of Bonn and a research fellow of the Max Planck Institute for Research on Collective Goods. He is an economist at the Federal Reserve Board. He has been teaching the course “Institutional Finance, Trading, and Markets” at Princeton since Fall of 2014. The course is open to graduate as well as undergraduate students and covers a wide range of topics such as Market Microstructure, Behavioral Finance, and Banking. In his course, Stephan uses an interactive trading software that allows to simulate market outcomes in real-time during class. Stephan’s research interest are in the area of financial stability.

O. GRIFFITH SIXTON was, until 1995, a managing director of Morgan Stanley and director of the corporate restructuring group within the firm’s financing and advisory services department. Sexton graduated from Princeton in 1965. Following six years of service as an aviator in the U.S. Navy, he attended the Stanford Graduate School of Business, where he received his MBA. He joined Morgan Stanley in 1973 and spent his career there involved in a broad range of the firm’s financing and advisory activities. In 1995, he became an active advisory director of Morgan Stanley. Also in 1995, he became an adjunct professor at Columbia University’s Graduate School of Business, teaching two courses in the subject of corporate finance. In 2000, he became a visiting lecturer at Princeton. Sexton is a member of the board of directors of Morgan Stanley, and he is a director of Investor AB, a publicly traded company based in Stockholm, Sweden, and of one other privately held company.

DEJANIR SILVA is an Economist from MIT. His primary fields of interest are macroeconomics and finance. My research focus on unconventional monetary policy, financial stability, and financial development. He received his Ph.D. in Economics from Massachusetts Institute of Technology.
STAFF

WENDELL COLLINS is the director of corporate relations for the Bendheim Center for Finance. Her responsibilities include managing the Corporate Affiliates Program, which seeks support for the center from firms interested in finance and which works with corporations to build partnerships investigating financial topics of mutual interest, advising undergraduates and Master in Finance candidates on career issues, facilitating the recruiting activities of corporate affiliates, and promoting and organizing special events involving alumni and advisory council members.

KAREN NEUKIRCHEN is the Center Administrator for the Bendheim Center for Finance. In her role as Center Administrator, Karen oversees and supports the events and people of the Center.

JESSICA H. B. O’LEARY is the Center Manager for the Bendheim Center for Finance. In that role she oversees the day to day functions of the Bendheim Center for Finance including its facility in the Old Dial Lodge.

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BCF IN THE NEWS

Raising the visibility of the research and teaching of the Bendheim Center for Finance is a new initiative for director Markus Brunnermeier. In addition, the @PrincetonBCF twitter feed publishes news of the center and promotes center events on a daily basis.

• Princeton Master in Finance program featured in Risk.net Quantitative Finance Guide.

• The Center recognized three Master in Finance students for Academic Excellence at the Graduation celebration. The prizes were awarded to Steven Burnett, Clement Lee and Joyce Li. This is the inaugural year for the Award in Academic Excellence prize.

• Two Undergraduate Certificate in Finance students were also awarded on Class Day. Brendan Hung, an ORF major, was awarded the Birch Family Prize. This award is given to a graduating senior(s) with the highest grade point average in coursework related to the Undergraduate Certificate in Finance. Lu Wei, an ECO major, was awarded the Kathleen Traynor ’83 Prize. This award is given to the graduating female senior with the highest GPA in coursework related to the Undergraduate Certificate in Finance.

• Markus Brunnermeier interviewed in Is the World Overdoing Low Interest Rates?

• ESBies: Safety in the Tranches co-authored by Markus Brunnermeier.

• Two Princeton University economists, Markus Brunnermeier and Yann Koby, have coined the term the “reversal rate” for the rate at which easy-monetary policy switches from stimulative to contractionary. Featured in Wall Street Journal.

• Director Markus Brunnermeier interviewed on Europe’s future.

• MFIN Alumn Guillaume Rabate was named in the Forbes Top 30 under 30 for his leadership at Morgan Stanley in interest rates swaps.

• “The Euro and the Battle of Ideas”, co-authored by Director Markus Brunnermeier, Faculty Member Harold James and Jean-Pierre Landau from SciencesPo has been named to the Financial Times’ Best Books of 2016: Economics List.

• Director Markus Brunnermeier and Faculty member Harold James featured in many news outlets for “The Euro and the Battle of Ideas”.

• UCF Students Wyatt Navarro and Sara Diressova and their team wins District College Fed Challenge.

• Director Markus Brunnermeier and Ph.D Student Yann Koby featured in Newsmax, about the Reversal Interest Rate.

• BCF MFIN wins top ranking by Quantnet for Employment Outcomes.
UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN FINANCE

In 1999, the Bendheim Center for Finance started offering an Undergraduate Certificate in Finance (UCF) to Princeton undergraduates. Now in its 18th year, the Undergraduate Certificate in Finance (UCF) continues to do extremely well. We currently have 105 enrolled students in the Class of 2018 and will enroll 100 juniors from the Class of 2019. This will bring our total number of undergraduate students in the program (juniors and seniors) to 205 for the coming academic year, despite our grade-based admission cap in place. UCF students are drawn to the program from a wide variety of departments.

CLASS OF 2017
Total number of certificates awarded to the class of 2017: 73 (to 31 women, or 42 percent)

TRACKS
• Corporate Finance Track
• Derivatives Pricing and Risk Management Track
• Investment Management Track
• Information Technologies for Finance Track
• Behavioral Finance
• Finance and Public Policy
• Mathematical Finance

DEPARTMENTAL PRIZES
UCF students continue to be high achievers among the Princeton population and receive a high proportion of the prizes awarded by their respective departments. This year, of the 73 UCF seniors, 13 received departmental prizes (two receiving two prizes); 11 UCF students were elected to Phi Beta Kappa Society; 23 UCF students were elected to membership in Society of Sigma Xi; 2 UCF students were elected to membership in Tau Beta Pi National Engineering Society; while 7 UCF juniors received the Shapiro Prize for Academic Excellence; and 39 UCF students received academic honors (16 cum laude, 9 magna cum laude, and 14 summa cum laude).

The Bendheim Center for Finance Birch Prize was awarded to Brendan Hung, ORF Major.

The Kathleen Traynor Prize was awarded to Lu Wei, ECO Major.
MASTER IN FINANCE

The distinctive feature of our Master in Finance program is its strong emphasis on financial economics next to financial engineering and computational methods. Graduates of our program have a solid understanding of the fundamental quantitative tools from economic theory, probability, statistics, optimization, and computer science, all of which are becoming increasingly vital in the financial industry. There now exists a body of knowledge that is widely agreed to be essential for the proper analysis and management of financial securities, portfolios, and the financial decisions of firms. A driving force behind these developments is a lively exchange of ideas between academia and the financial industry, a collaboration that is the closest parallel in the social sciences to the academic-private sector interactions routinely seen in engineering and the applied sciences. The Master in Finance program prepares students for a wide spectrum of careers in the financial industry, ranging from quantitative trading strategies, risk management, and financial engineering, to quantitative asset management and macroeconomic and financial forecasting.

MFIN COURSE TRACKS

Elective courses can be chosen according to either individual needs and preferences, or to conform to one of the suggested tracks, listed below.

- Financial Engineering and Risk Management
- Quantitative Asset Management and Macroeconomic Forecasting
- Data Science and Financial Technologies

MFIN PLACEMENT

The Bendheim Center for Finance provides extensive career assistance to students, including help with internships and job placement. Our program has continued to enjoy excellent success with 100 percent of our 2016 graduates being placed in finance industry jobs and 100 percent internship placement.

CAREERS UPON GRADUATION:


SUMMER INTERNSHIPS FOR FIRST YEAR STUDENTS:

Class of 2018 students will conduct their summer interns at AQR, Bank of America Merrill Lynch, Barclays, BlackRock, BNP Paribas, Canada Pension Plan Investment Board HK, Citadel, Citigroup, Glenmede, JP Morgan Asset Management, JP Morgan Quantitative Research, Nomura Research, Nomura Sales & Trading, PIMCO, Squarepoint, Volant, Russian International Affairs.
PH.D STUDENTS

Ph.D. students in the Bendheim Center for Finance are admitted through the Department of Economics, the Department of Operations Research and Financial Engineering, or the Program in Applied and Computational Mathematics. Five students with finance interests received their Ph.D. in 2017 and accepted a mixture of academic and industry positions (the institution is in parenthesis):

**XIAOYANG SEAN DONG**
(D.E. Shaw, Macro Strategist)

**MATTHIEU GOMEZ**
(Columbia University, Department of Economics, Assistant Prof. of Economics)

**ZONGBO HUANG**
(Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shenzhen, Assistant Professor of Finance)

**ALEXANDER RODNYANSKY**
(Cambridge University, Assistant Professor of Finance)

**YU ZHANG**
(Peking University, Guanghua School of Management, Assistant Professor Finance)
SEMINARS, CONFERENCES AND CENTER EVENTS

2016 PRINCETON LECTURES IN FINANCE

Each year, the Bendheim Center invites a leading figure in the field of finance to deliver a set of lectures at Princeton on a topic of major significance to researchers and professionals.

The 2016 Princeton Lectures in Finance were given by Jeremy Stein. The topic of the series was “Financial Market Challenges for Central Banks”.

CIVITAS FOUNDATION FINANCE SEMINAR

Each week, Bendheim Center for Finance organizes a seminar in which academic experts are invited to present their latest research to the faculty and graduate students of the center. 2015-2016 Speakers included:

- Philipp Schnabl, NYU, “Banking on Deposits: Maturity Transformation without Interest Rate Risk”
- Andrea Buffa, Boston University, “Institutional Investors, Heterogeneous Benchmarks and the Comovement of Asset Prices”
- Taylor Begley, Washington University, “Color and Credit: Race Competition and the Quality of Financial Services”
- Kenneth Singleton, Stanford University, “Learning and Risk Premiums in an Arbitrage-free Term Structure Model”
- Elizabeth Kempf, University of Chicago, “The Job Rating Game: The Effects of Revolving Doors on Analyst Incentives”
- Luigi Guiso, Einaudi Institute, “Portfolio Choices, Firm Shocks and Uninsurable Wage Risk”
- Cecilia Parlatore, NYU Stern School of Business, “Trading Costs and Informational Efficiency”
- Ben Iverson, Northwestern University, “Bankruptcy Spillovers”
- Erik Loualiche, MIT, “Import Competition and Household Debt”
- Kelly Shue, University of Chicago, “Consistent Good News and Inconsistent Bad News”
- Arvind Krishnamurthy, Stanford Graduate School, “A Model of Safe Asset Determination”
- Basil Williams, NYU, “Search, Liquidity, and Retention: Signaling Multidimensional Private Information”
• Paul Goldsmith-Pinkham, NY Federal Reserve, “Bad Credit, No Problem? Credit and Labor Market Consequences of Bad Credit Reports”
• Xavier Vives, IESE Business School, “Market Power and Welfare in Asymmetric Divisible Good Auctions”

FINANCE PH.D. STUDENT WORKSHOPS
Each week, the Bendheim Center for Finance organizes a seminar for its Ph.D. students and faculty in which preliminary research ideas are presented internally. 2016-2017 speakers included:

• Panagiotis Anagnostidis and Patrice Fontaine, “Liquidity Provision, Commonality and High-Frequency Trading”
• Matthieu Gomez, “What Drives the Recent Rise in Top Wealth Shares?”
• Julia Fonseca, “The Impact of Corporate Credit on Labor Markets and Household Balance Sheets: Evidence from Brazil”
• Terry Moon, “Capital Tax, Investment, and CEO’s Incentive”
• Fernando Mendo Lopez, “Inside Money and Debt Settlements”
• Yann Koby, “The Reversal Interest Rate: An Effective Lower Bound on Monetary Policy”
• Christian Wolf, “Puzzles in Monetary Policy Identification: A Model-Based Perspective”
• Martina Jasova, “Non-Standard Monetary Policy and Bank Lending Channel”
• Giorgia Barboni, “Foreign Banks as Shock Absorbers in the Financial Crisis”
• Johan Hombert, “Incentive Constrained Risk Sharing, Segmentation, and Asset Pricing” (with Bruno Biais and Pierre-Oliver Weill)
• Yannick Timmer, “Cyclical Investment Behavior across Financial Institutions”
• Ioannis Branikas, “Product Market Advertising and Investor Portfolios”
• Liyu Dou, “Generalized Local-to-Unity Models”
• Paul Ho, “Competing with Competing Options”
• Pierre Bachas, “Banking on Trust: How Debit Cards Enable the Poor to Save More”
• Sohnke Bartam, “Agnostic Fundamental Analysis Works”
• Ioannis Branikas, “Location Choice, Portfolio Choice” (With Harrison Hong and Jiangmin Xu)
• Jeroen Dalderop, “Nonparametric Conditional State-Price Densities: Estimation and a Decomposition”
• Zongbo Huang, “Managing Bank Run Risk: The Perils of Discretion”
• Alejandro N. Van der Ghote, “Coordinating Monetary and Financial Regulatory Policies”
• Ioannis Branikas, “Buy Side, Sell Side” (with Harrison Hong and Jiangmin Xu)
• Terry Moon, “Tax Capitalization by Ownership Structures and CEO’s Incentives: Evidence from South Korea.”
• Yann Koby, “Reversal Interest Rate: An Effective Lower Bound on Monetary Policy”
• Julia Fonseca, “Access to Credit and Financial Health: Evaluating the Impact of Debt Collection”
• Yannick Timmer, “Discriminatory Pricing of FX Derivatives in OTC Markets”

MFIN WEEKLY LUNCH AND LEARN SPEAKER SERIES
A number of guest speakers from a variety of areas of finance visited the Bendheim Center in 2016-2017 to address Master in Finance, undergraduate, and PhD students.

• Bob Litterman, Kepos Capital Founder, “Pragmatic Approach to Climate Change”
• MFIn alumni Boot Camp Panelists: JC Alvarez, Ben Beugnies, Cedric Lommaert, Nestor Macias, Chad Shampine, Lilian Schulz, Dennis Walsh, & Livia Wu, “Best Practices for your Career Development”
• Norm Champ ’85, Peter Lighte *81, Anna Raytcheva ’94; Kathleen DeRose ’83, “Careers in Govt, Trading, Fintech & Beyond”
• Prof. Frank Fabozzi, “Opportunities and Trends in Quant Finance”
• Sarah Jiang, AQR, “What is Quant Finance?”
• Igor Axenov, Barclays, “Market Risk Overview”
• Arthur Rodier & Sue Evans, “Case Studies with BNP Paribas Sales & Trading”
• Bouchra Ezzahraoui, Goldman Sachs, “Careers in Trading”
• Theo Kim, PRINCO, “What, why, who, where, how & how well?”
• David Sullivan ’01, Bank of America Merrill Lynch, “Investment Banking 101”
• Steve Brownlie ’97 & Cait Bartlett ’14, Altamont Capital Partners, “Private Equity 101”
• Ken Shidler, Citi, “Global Markets Overview”
• Morgan Vasquez, BNY Mellon, “Personal Branding”
• Wendell Collins, “Career Development Best Practices”
• Antoine Chiche *06, “Introduction to Valuation”
• Mary Anne Citrino ’81, Blackstone Senior Advisor, & Wake Smith, New State Capital Partners, “Private Equity Workshop & Case Studies”
• Bianca Vaghji, Pat Chiacchiari, Livia Wu and Kevin Zigadlo, “Careers at JP Morgan Asset Management”
• Sarah Nagy, ITG, “Careers in FinTech”
• Jerrod Ankenman, SIG, “Elections & Trading”
• John Cunniff *86, TIAA-CREF, “Resume and Career Best Practices”
• JC de Swaan, Princeton University, “Ethics & Finance”
• Xavier R. Polet, CEO, London Stock Exchange Group, “LSE & Technology Trends”
• Montano Nissotti, Capula Investments, “Careers at Capula”
• John Scully ’66, SPO Advisory, “A Career Conversation”
• Bob Litterman, Kepos Capital Founder, “Pragmatic Approach to Climate Change”
• Alumni Panel, “Day in the Life at Citadel Investments”
• Wyc Grousbeck ’83, CEO, Boston Celtics, and Kevin Callaghan ’83, MD, Berkshire Partners, “Shooting for Success”
• Mitch Julis ’77 Co-CEO and Co-Founder, Canyon Partners, LLC, “From the Bronx to Beverly Hills: A Serendipitous Journey through Finance”
• Lori Dickerson Fouche ’91, Prudential Group CEO, “Trends & Careers in Insurance”
• Caroline Dorsa, ex PSEG CFO and Merck Treasurer, “Corporate Finance & Governance”
• Doug Elliot, Jai Sooklal, & Ugur Koyluoglu, Oliver Wyman, “Too Big to Manage: The Past, Present, and Anticipated Future of Large Bank Risk Management”
• Andrew Arnold, Cubist Systemic Strategies, “Machine Learning & Trading”
• Brian Trelstad, “Impact Investing”
• Bill & Karen Sonneborn, ’95, EIG Global Energy Partners, “Making A Difference”
• Pierre duPont ’82, “Hedge Fund Startups”
SPECIAL LECTURES AND CENTER EVENTS
The Center hosts and sponsors several guest lectures and special events throughout the year

- Oxford/Princeton Workshop 2017
- BCF-QUT-SJTU-SMU Conference
- FinTech @ Princeton Connecting tech and domain expertise
- Escalating Risks: China’s Economy, Society and Financial System
- “The Euro Crisis and the IMF” with Paul Blustein, Washington Post
- Princeton Lectures in Finance, Jeremy Stein, Harvard
- 2016 Finance Theory Meeting, open to Finance Faculty and Graduate Students ONLY
- “The Euro and the Battle of Ideas”, Markus Brunnermeier and Harold James
- 2016 Princeton Initiative

RESEARCH INITIATIVES
The Center engages in several research related initiatives.

PRINCETON INITIATIVE: MACRO, MONEY AND FINANCE
Following the Princeton tradition of incorporating financial frictions in macroeconomic models the Princeton Initiative Camp brings together top 2nd year Ph.D. students from various Universities, who wish to write a Ph.D. thesis at the intersection between macroeconomics, monetary economics, and finance. The recent experience starting with the run-up of imbalances and bubbles in the first decade of the 21st century, followed by a severe financial crisis that ultimately led to the Great Recession, calls for new frameworks to study macro-prudential policy tools and to design a new international financial architecture. The aim of this meeting is to bridge the gap between modern finance, monetary and macroeconomics and expose the best students from across the country to macroeconomic models with financial frictions and/or non-standard expectations. Yuliy Sannikov and Markus Brunnermeier lead this effort. BCF is grateful for the generous support of the SLOAN Foundation.

FINTECH@PRINCETON
Bridging domain and technology expertise in finance together on campus. Topics included Blockchains, Roboadvising, Payments, Insurance, and VC funding. Invited speakers spanned alumni and leaders in industry and academia from such firms as Wealthfront, Sultant, Alipay, MasterCard, Clearmatics, Fluent, Washington Square Tech, Predata, Ayasdi, Bain Capital, Tudor and featuring high-profile speakers Larry Summers, former U.S. treasury secretary, and Michael Evans, president of Alibaba.

BCF CHINA INITIATIVE
The Princeton-BCF China initiative aims to develop an interface for facilitating collaborative research and academic exchanges between faculty and students in Princeton and China. This initiative serves the quickly growing demands from academic and policy communities across the world to systematically study the Chinese economy and its financial system and the risks and opportunities it presents to the global economy. Despite having the 2nd largest economy in the world, China has a very different institutional structure.
from most western countries. Princeton economists can substantially benefit from interacting with local scholars and researchers in China, who tend to have better institutional knowledge about the Chinese economy and better access to Chinese economic data. At the same time, local academics can also learn from Princeton economists, who tend to have a better understanding of fundamental economic concepts and a more rigorous training in the methods of modern western economic analysis. The initiative tries to bridge these gaps and provide an intellectual interface between researchers in China and top academics at Princeton. It also aims to provide a platform for both graduate and undergraduate students in Princeton to visit and study China. BCF is also supporting the new webpage www.VoxChina.org. The Princeton-BCF China initiative will be coordinated by Wei Xiong, Hugh Leander and Mary Trumbull Adams Professor in Finance and Professor of Economics, together with the director of BCF.

NEW MONEY & BANKING VIDEO SERIES ON YOUTUBE
Markus Brunnermeier and Yuliy Sannikov have launched an educational video series on YouTube called “Money and Banking” based on their research papers “The I Theory of Money” and “Redistributive Monetary Policy.” The series, created in partnership with Princeton’s McGraw Learning Center and the Julis Rabinowitz Center for Public Policy & Finance, is both a teaching tool for a reversed class room experience and designed to allow interested alumni to keep up with new developments in research.

JANEWAY FUND FOR BRIDGING FINANCE, MONETARY ECONOMICS AND THE REAL ECONOMY
This initiative supports the interaction between the Bendheim Center for Finance and the economics department in order to nurture a closer collaboration in research, the PhD program and teaching. The initiative focuses on research of faculty and students whose work is on the boundaries of economics and finance, in particular related to finance but beyond the core mission of the Bendheim Center.

A core purpose of the initiative is to facilitate teaching at the PhD level that does not fall within narrow definitions of existing “field” categories, such as “finance,” “macroeconomics” and “economic theory.” Funds could be used to hire visiting faculty or postdoctoral fellows to teach such courses or (more likely) to teach other courses in order to free up time for permanent faculty to teach in the graduate program. Postdoctoral positions also help recruit young faculty by delaying the start of the tenure clock and providing time to publish.

Funds can support general research expenses, summer salaries and could also be used in support of short and long term visitors, who can help with research by participating in discussion and interaction, participate in collaborative research, and act as co-authors. In addition the Bill Janeway Initiative provides additional resources for graduate students, especially for those whose research is interdisciplinary and at the intersection of finance and economics. BCF is grateful for the generous donation given by William H. Janeway in 2015. In 2016-17 Ricardo Lagos, Professor at NYU, visited and taught a Ph.D. class on Financial and Monetary Economics.
TRINITY OF STABILITY INITIATIVE

The network “Macroeconomic Policy Trinity” studies interactions among monetary, financial, and fiscal stabilization policies. The overarching objective of the network is to bring together a diverse set of researchers from finance, banking and macroeconomics—who approach issues with different methodologies, different questions and different data—with the aim to learn from each other and to focus on a common set of questions. The “trinity network” is run jointly by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, the Swedish Riksbank, the Bank of Canada and the Bundesbank. The network will also draw on researchers from other central banks and from a variety of academic institutions. Its main coordinators are Eric Leeper and Markus Brunnermeier.

More specifically, the aim is to develop a suite of theoretical models that shed light on how the trinity of aggregate policies jointly determine macroeconomic outcomes, and then to use time series data to estimate or calibrate the models to deliver quantitative predictions. Only by studying the trio jointly can we understand their interactions, accurately interpret data, and ultimately arrive at policy conclusions. The network shall pursue the two prongs of teaching and research to achieve this objective. The teaching prong exposes a wide range of established and developing researchers to the variety of tools, analytical approaches and empirical techniques being used to study the trinity of policies. A research prong encourages and nurtures frontier research that focuses on a common set of questions with the goals of publishing the output in professional outlets and bringing fresh research insights to policy makers. The Trinity Network started recently to have regular seminar presentations via video conferences.
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CORPORATE AFFILIATES PROGRAM

The Corporate Affiliates Program offers companies an opportunity to build a significant relationship with the Center. Corporate affiliates gain a strong presence and visibility, interact with faculty and students, learn about important faculty research, and secure a competitive recruiting advantage.

2016-2017 Affiliates

- Altamont Capital Partners
- AQR
- Bank of America Merrill Lynch
- Barclays
- BMW North America
- Citadel
- Cubist Systematic Strategies
- Deutsche Bank
- Sandpointe LLC
- Goldman Sachs
- Stevens Capital Management LP

Benefits of Corporate Affiliation

- Annual Report of the Bendheim Center for Finance
- Opportunity to advertise internships and employment opportunities to both Undergraduate Certificate in Finance and Master in Finance students
- Opportunity to use the Bendheim Center for Finance facilities to host recruiting events
- Access to the Bendheim Center for Finance director of corporate relations as a resource for recruiting
- Recognition in the publicly disseminated materials of the Bendheim Center for Finance, including the center’s reports and website, which both list corporate affiliates, as well as a hyperlink to each member’s website
- Access to research authored by the center’s affiliated faculty within the academic year
- Access to Bendheim Center for Finance faculty for internal or client presentations or for sponsored research
- Opportunity to work with the center’s faculty and staff to create customized training programs and to design and access distance-learning courses and events such as special lectures and conferences
- Invitation to deliver a guest lecture on campus or to participate as a presenter at Bendheim Center for Finance-sponsored conferences
- Invitation and two reserved seats for all public events hosted by the center
GIFT OPPORTUNITIES

Early in 1998, a $10 million gift from the Leon Lowenstein Foundation enabled Princeton to launch the Bendheim Center for Finance. To establish the University as a national resource for innovative thinking on finance and finance-related topics, the Center brings together leading experts in teaching and scholarship. Significant support beyond the generous Bendheim gift is needed for faculty, visitors, and curriculum development, in order to realize this vision, therefore in 2015 the University initiated a $6 million campaign in an effort to support true excellence in financial economics which requires a critical mass of finance researchers, approaching the size of a finance department in a leading business school, as well as important educational initiatives in a state-of-the-art setting. The campaign seeks support in the following areas:

ACADEMIC PERSONNEL
Endowed Visiting Professorship
To support a distinguished senior visitor who provides expertise in a particular area of study
$2,000,000

FELLOWSHIPS
Graduate Fellowships
To support a new generation of scholars concentrating in finance
$250,000

FINANCIAL RESEARCH AND TEACHING
Research and Course Development Funds
Endowed funds to support research and course development
$100,000 minimum

China Initiative
Term support to foster better links between Asia and Princeton in finance research
$250,000 annually
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