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MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR



As the COVID crisis continued through the 2020/2021 academic year, the Center continued to teach on a fully remote schedule for both semesters. While we were capable of rethinking and implementing almost every aspect of how we as educators and researchers teach our students, the students themselves missed the informal interaction that often happened before and after classes.

In addition to the challenges of teaching, we also faced some challenges in our numbers in both the Undergraduate Certificate and the Master In Finance program. We owe part of the impact to the UCF program due to undergraduates taking a gap year to avoid the remote learning aspects of attending college; but we also acknowledge that there are increasingly more certificates offered on campus. In our Master's program, there was a request by some students to defer their admission until the 2021/2022 Academic year. Due to the extreme remote aspects of the year, it was more difficult to find jobs and internships, which also added to the stress for the students.

Despite these challenges both of our academic programs continue to be successful. Our MFIN program continues to be one of the top programs in the world. Lindsay Bracken, BCF's new Manager of Career Development, who started at the beginning of the pandemic, was key in placing all our Masters in Finance students in a challenging job market environment. One hundred percent of the 29 MFIN students graduated with a job lined up. This year, even more students obtained the MFIN certificate in Machine Learning that we coordinate with the Center for Statistics and Machine Learning. The UCF Class of 2021 was 48 strong; and, our Class of 2022 has 96 students currently enrolled.

On the Administrative side, the Center was able to handle the crisis well by implementing MS Teams to keep the staff in regular contact and the collaborative spirit we work so well under was able to persist. Because of the ability to stay so collaborative, we successfully revamped our website and updated our logo. Our events and programs did not suffer and we continued to stay productive. We held a virtual conference on "Racial Justice and Finance" coorganized with the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta. Special thanks to Raphael Bostic for standing as our Keynote Speaker. We continued our weekly webinar series, which significantly enhanced the visibility of Princeton's BCF. Federal Reserve Chairman Jay Powell attracted a lot of interest with live-streaming on CSPAN and CNBC. Another highlight was the inflation debate between Paul Krugman and Larry Summers. Overall, we have had about 80 webinars since the start of the pandemic.

Last year, with a generous donation by Ben Bernanke, we established the Ben Bernanke Prize. This prize is intended to encourage job market Ph.D. students to complete a first draft of their papers early. Our first award was given in the Fall of 2021.

The Center also congratulates our faculty. Nobuhiro Kiyotaki, together with Ben Bernanke (chairman of our advisory council), won the prestigious BBVA Frontiers of Knowledge Award. Atif Mian was awarded the 2021 Guggenheim Fellowship and I became vice president of the American Finance Association.

Overall, our programs are thriving. Still, we know that our students will face new challenges, many of which we will only uncover as time goes by. To best support our students, we are committed to remaining agile and adaptive, no matter what course the year takes.

We at BCF continue to emphasize the "Princeton Difference" of using a scientific approach to serve our increasingly global society and are very grateful to your ongoing support.

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



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CAIO ALMEIDA has recently become a lecturer in the Department of Economics at Princeton University where he teaches risk management, fixed income, and applications of machine learning in asset pricing. He also serves as our Director of Graduate Studies. He holds an MS and a Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering from Pontifical Catholic University in Rio de Janeiro and has been an Associate Professor of Finance at Getulio Vargas Foundation during the last 13 years. His research interests lie in the intersection of financial economics, econometrics and machine learning and include proposing and testing pricing models and creating alternative metrics to analyze asset pricing models. He was the president of the Brazilian Society of Finance (2013-2015), an Associate Editor of the Journal of Banking and Finance and is an Associate Editor of the Journal of Financial Econometrics.



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.



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NATALIE COX is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Economics and Bendheim Center for Finance. Her research focuses broadly on household finance, industrial organization and public economics. Her current work includes studying the efficiency and equity implications of changes in the \$1.3 trillion student loan market, repayment of student debt, and the impact of federal loan guarantees and credit subsides. Bachas earned her Ph.D. in Economics from the University of California at Berkeley. She joined Princeton's faculty in 2018.





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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.



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EMERITUS FACULTY



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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. José is currently the Charles and Lynn Zhang Professor of economics at Columbia University.





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VISITING FACULTY

During the academic year the Bendheim Center for Finance welcomed the following visiting faculty:



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BCF IN THE NEWS

- BCF Advisory Council Member, Elizabeth Prus Myers, '91 Elected to Princeton's Board of Trustees
- Jonathan Choi (MFin '16) Discusses Unexpected Opportunities and the Power of the BCF Alumni Network
- Professor Atif Mian awarded the 2021 Guggenheim Fellowship in Economics
- Frontiers of Knowledge Award goes to Nobuhiro Kiyotaki, and Ben Bernanke
- Brunnermeier Paper "Predatory Trading" Featured in The Economist explaining GameStop Meme Investing
- Princeton researchers study the many impacts of COVID-19
- Princeton Professor Markus Brunnermeier elected Vice President of the American Finance Association
- Anne-Victoire Auriault (Master in Finance '12) named partner at Goldman Sachs
- Princeton BCF Alumnus and T. Rowe Price CFO Céline Dufétel named to Fortune's Top 40 Under 40
- Olivier Darmouni (Ph.D. '16) wins 2021 Distinguished Paper Brattle prize
- Bendheim, Blackrock, And Beyond: A Conversation With Princeton BCF Alumnus JC Campero
- BCF Alumnus Leo Niu (Mfin '17) on Financial Career Paths and Finding Your Footing as a Postgrad
- From BCF To NFL and Beyond: Chase Perlen (Mfin '17) Talks Flexibility in Finance



UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN FINANCE

In 1999, the Bendheim Center for Finance began offering an Undergraduate Certificate in Finance (UCF) to Princeton undergraduates. Now in its 21st year, the UCF continues to do extremely well. Currently, we have 101 enrolled from the class of 2022 and will enroll 121 juniors from the class of 2023. This will bring our total number of undergraduate students in the program (juniors and seniors) to 222 for the 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 2021

Total number of certificates awarded to the class of 2021: 48 (including 12 women, or 25 percent)

TRACKS

- Corporate Finance
- Derivatives Pricing and Risk Management
- Investment Management
- Information Technologies for Finance
- 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 48 seniors, 7 received departmental prizes; 11 UCF were elected to Pi Beta Kappa Society; 10 UCF students were elected to membership in Society Sigma XI; 5 UCF students were elected to membership in Tau Beta Pi National Engineering Society; while 3 UCF juniors received the Shapiro Prize for Academic Excellence; and 23 UCF students received academic honors (9 Cum Laude, 8 Magna Cum Laude and 6 Summa Cum Laude).

The Bendheim Center for Finance Birch Family Prizes was awarded to Daniel Yao, ECO Major.

The Kathleen Traynor '83 Prize was awarded to Angela Wang, ORFE Major.



MASTER IN FINANCE

The distinctive feature of our interdisciplinary Master in Finance program is its strong emphasis on financial and monetary economics, relying on analytical and computational methods. Graduates of our program have a solid understanding of the fundamental quantitative tools of economic theory, probability, statistics, optimization, computer science, and machine learning, 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 an 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.

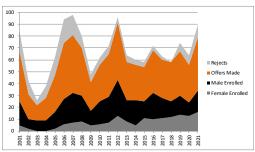
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- Data Science and Financial Technologies
- Valuation and Macroeconomic Analysis

MFIN PLACEMENT

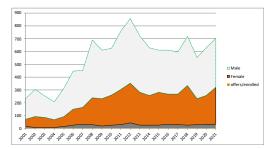
The Bendheim Center for Finance provides extensive career assistance to students, including help with internships and job placement. Our program has continued to enjoy excellent success with 100 percent of our 2021 graduates being placed in finance industry jobs and 100 percent internship placement.

CAREERS UPON GRADUATION

MFIN students who graduated in 2021 started their careers at Akuna Capital LLC, Alger, Astorg Partners, Bank of America Merrill Lynch, BlackRock, BNP Paribas, Capula Investment Management, Citadel Securities, Credit Suisse, Eisler Capital, Ergoteles Capital, Goldman Sachs, MFS Investment Management, MIO Partners, Morgan Stanley, Squarepoint Capital and Volant Trading.



MFin Students: Male, Female



MFin Applicants: Male, Female

SUMMER INTERNSHIPS FOR FIRST YEAR STUDENTS

Class of 2022 students had summer internships at AQR Capital Management, Bank of America Securities, Barclays, Capula Investment Management, Citigroup, Credit Suisse, Fidelity International, IMC Trading, JP Morgan, L.E.K. Consulting, Morgan Stanley, State Street, and Tower Research Capital.



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. Two students with finance interests received their Ph.D. in 2021.



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SEMINARS, CONFERENCES AND CENTER EVENTS

2020-2021 PRINCETON LECTURES IN FINANCE

Each year, the Bendheim Center invites a leading figure in the field of finance to deliver a set of lectures. This year Amit Seru from Stanford University virtually presented on The Rise of Fintech Intermediaries.

2020-2021 MARKUS' ACADEMY

Princeton Bendheim Center for Finance Director Markus Brunnermeier hosts a conversation with an acclaimed academic or thought leader on critical issues facing the global economy. Event may be hosted from Princeton but it is available worldwide to watch live on zoom or via the Center's YouTube channel. The 2020-2021 list of speakers included:

- Michael Spence on tracking the global pandemic recovery
- Robert J. Shiller on narrative economics and COVID-19
- Arminio Fraga on Brazil's perfect storm
- · Richard Zeckhauser on climate policy: moving beyond ostriches and pollyannas
- Raghuram Rajan on emerging markets (especially India) and the coronavirus
- Eric Schmidt: A Q&A on digital innovation, privacy, and cybersecurity
- Jean Tirole: Public and private spheres and the authentic self
- Esteban Rossi-Hansberg: The economic geography of climate change
- Luigi Zingales: Which Capitalism?
- · Christopher Sims: How to worry about government debt
- Bengt Holmstrom: The seasonality of COVID-19
- · Robert Hall: the natural behavior of unemployment
- Emily Oster: COVID-19 school dashboard: reopen evidence
- Stephen Redding: Pandemics and the future of globalization
- Jason Furman: When, if ever, should we worry about the debt?
- Nick Bloom: Working from home: Will it persist?
- Adam Posen: International Economic Challenges for the President-elect: trade, China, the dollar, and pandemic recovery
- Markus Brunnermeier: COVID-19 economic lessons: taking stock of the webinar series in 2020
- Charles Goodhart: Less lower for Longer; more higher and sooner
- A conversation with Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell
- · James Stock: Macroeconomics, carbon pricing and climate pricing
- · William Nordhaus: Climate compacts to combat free riding in international climate agreements
- Andrew Lo: New Funding models for biomedical innovation
- · Esther Duflo: Encouraging Social Distancing: Evidence from Several Randomized Controlled Trials
- Paul Krugman and Larry Summers: Will the Biden Stimulus Lead to Inflation
- Lasse Pedersen: GameStop and Predeatory Trading
- Monica de Bolle: Chronic Pandemic? Vaccine Geopolitics
- · Jean-Pierre Landau: International Currency Competition: The Digital Dimension
- Ivan Werning: Taming a Minsky Cycle
- Alan Auerbach: International Taxation in a Digital World
- Robin Brooks: Emerging Markets: Taper Tantrum Redux?
- Gary Gorton: Recent Changes and the Future of the US Financial System
- Emi Nakamura: Is the Philips Curve Getting Flatter?



- Barry Ritzholtz: Market Values, Cycles and Bubbles
- Agustin Carstens: Central Banks and Inequality
- A Conversation with Paschal Donohoe
- Reunions Lecture with Liz Myers: Finance from the front lines in 2021
- Markus Brunnermeier: Inflation, Safe Assets and Debt Sustainability
- Olivier Blanchard: Rethinking fiscal and monetary policy, post COVID
- · Antoinette Schoar: Bitcoin adoption: what regulators need to consider
- Alberto Cavallo: COVID Inflation: Evidence from Real-Time Data
- Philippe Aghion: the power of creative destruction



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. Our 2020-2021 Speakers included:

Fall 2020

- Sasha Indarte, Assistant Professor of Finance, UPenn: The Wharton School, "Moral Hazard vs. Liquidity in Household Bankruptcy"
- Mindy Xiaolan, Assistant Professor of Economics, University of Texas at Austin, "Human Capitalists"
- Sebastian Merkel, Postdoc Princeton, "The Macro Implications of Narrow Banking: Financial Stability versus Growth"
- Anthony Zhang, Assistant Professor of Finance, UChicago: Booth School of Business, "Competition and Manipulation in Derivative Contract Markets"
- · Joseph Abadi, Ph.D. Princeton, "Opaque Intermediation and Credit Cycles"
- Liliana Varela, Assistant Professor of Finance: London School of Economics, "The Micro and Macro Dynamics of Capital Flows"
- Simon Schmickler, Ph.D. Princeton, "Payout-Induced Demand Pressure: Spillover Effects on Asset Prices and Corporate Investment"
- Pablo Ottonello, Assistant Professor of Economics, University of Michigan Ann Arbor, "The Micro Anatomy of Macro Consuption Adjustments"
- Karsten Mueller, Ph.D. Princeton, "Credit Allocation and Macroeconomic Fluctuations"
- Sean Myers, NBER, "Public Employee Pensions and Municipal Insolvency"

Spring 2021

- Alireza Tahbaz-Salehi, Prof. of Managerial Econ & Decision Sciences, Northwestern: Kellogg, "Model Complexity, Expectations and Asset Prices"
- Kelly Shue, Prof. of Finance, Yale: School of Management, "The Gender Gap in Housing Returns"
- Maarten Meeuwis, Assistant Prof. of Finance, Wash U: Olin Business, "Wealth Fluctuations and Risk Preferences: Evidence from US Investor Portfolios"
- Rebecca DeSimone, Assistant Prof. of Finance, London Business School, "Tax Enforcement and Corporate Governance"
- Olivier Wang, Assistant Prof. of Finance, NYU: Stern Business, "Let the First One Fail: A credible solution to the too-big-to-fail conundrum"
- Mark Egan, Assistant Professor of Finance, Harvard: Business, "Recovering Investor Expectation from Demand for Index Funds"
- Dean Corbae William Sellery Trukenbrod, Chair in Finance, UW-Madison: Business School, "A Quantative Theory of the Credit Score"
- Adrien Verdelhan, Associate Professor, Department of Finance, MIT: Sloan Business, "Foreign Exchange Risk in Public Forms"
- Juliane Begenau, Assistant Professor of Finance, Stanford: GSB, "Stable NIM and Interest Rate Exposure of US Banks"



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. Our 2020-2021 speakers included:

Fall 2020

- Karsten Mueller, "Electoral Cycles in Macroprudential Regulation"
- Don Noh, "Moral Hazard vs. Liquidity in Household Bankruptcy"
- Shushen Hou, "An Information Approach to Credit Cycles"
- Simon Schmickler, "Payout-Induced Trading"
- Shumiao Ouyang, "The Digital Privacy Paradox of Digital Wallet Users"
- Thomas Kroen, "Do Myopic Firm Owners Trade off Payouts for Investment: Evidence from Share Buyback Reform"
- Kecy Wu, "Organizational Capabilities and Firm Dynamics: a Venture Capital Perspective"
- · Anshu Chen, " Studying the Effects of Recessions on Industry Concentration"

Spring 2021

- Daniel Morrison, "Disentangling the Motivations for Campaign Contributions: Corruption or Policy Alignment"
- · Anshu Chen, "Short and Long Run Effects of US Recessions on Industry Concentration"
- Carlos Burga, "Bank Competition and Firm Dynamics: Evidence from Peru"
- Ziang Li, "Flight-to-Safety in a New Keynesian Model"
- Faizaan Kisat, "Algorithms & Credit Outcomes"
- Haiyue Yu, "The Importance of Investor Heterogeneity: An Examination of the Corporate Bond Market"
- · Jihong Song, "Portfolio Dynamics of Institutional Investors in Flight-to-Safety Episodes"
- · Shumiao Ouyang, "Mobile Payment and Consumer Welfare"
- Simon Schmickler, "The Cross-Section of Expected Real Estate Returns"
- Thomas Kroen, "Payout Restrictions and Bank Risk-Shifting"



MFIN CAREER SPEAKER SERIES

A number of guest speakers from a variety of areas of finance visited the Bendheim Center in 2020-2021 to address Master in Finance, undergraduate, and Ph.D. students.

- PwC Insurance Structured Products Group Presentation
- · Capula Investment Virtual Information Session
- Citi Financial Strategy and Solutions Group
- · Career Speaker Series: Centerbridge Ben Langworthy and Adam Balkan
- BNP Paribas Information Session
- Market Risk Management with Credit Suisse w/ Tair Aurmont
- AQR Capital Management Information Session
- JC de Swaan Book Talk: Seeking Virtue in Finance: Contributing to Society in a Conflicted Industry
- Squarepoint Capital Presentation
- Rick Grove: Derivatives Markets: Some History and a Look into the Future, Rick Grove, Rutter Associates
- NFL & Finance: A Discussion on Strategy, Business Models & Careers, Christopher Halpin '98, National Football League, Executive Vice President and Chief Strategy & Growth Officer
- Torsten Stok: Outlook for the US Economy and Financial Markets after the Election
- Getting Started in FinTech Marshall Lux & Gerti Divershi
- Diana Farrell, President and Chief Executive Officer, JPMorgan Chase Institute

SPECIAL LECTURES AND CENTER EVENTS

The Center hosts and sponsors several guest lectures and special events throughout the year

- 11th annual Princeton Fintech and Quant Conference
- 10th annual Princeton Initiative: Macro, Money and Finance



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 for the first four years of our camp.

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 featured high-profile speakers including 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 at 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, the Hugh Leander and Mary Trumbull-Adams Professor in Finance and Professor of Economics, together with the director of BCF.

FINANCIAL INSURANCE WORKSHOP

The purpose of the workshop is to teach Ph.D. students about research at the intersection of insurance and financial economics. Topics include risks in the insurance sector, pricing of insurance liabilities, reinsurance, and asset management. It is taught by BCF faculty Motohiro Yogo and Ralph Koijen of Booth School of Business. The third annual workshop was held June 15-16 virtually due to the pandemic. Over 100 Ph.D. students from around the world participated. The previous two workshops were held on Princeton's campus on June 8-9, 2019 and June 7-8, 2020. The intitial two years were financially supported by an NSF grant and the BCF.



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2020-2021 Affiliates

- Alpine Investors
- AQR Capital Management
- Arrowstreet Capital
- BMW North America
- Capula Investment Management
- Citadel Investment Group
- Cubist Systemic Strategies
- Ergoteles Capital
- Goldman Sachs
- RADAN LLC
- Stevens Capital Management
- Strike Derivatives



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 financerelated 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 \$500,000

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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