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2017-2018
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Economics

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MICHAEL PRICE, Professor
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Education:
Ph.D., University of Pittsburgh, 1986, Finance

Specialty Fields:
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Selected Publications:


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Doctorate in Mathematics, Ulm University (Germany), 2007

Specialty Fields:

Actuarial Science, Quantitative Finance, Insurance Economics, Applied Statistics

Selected Publications:


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Wallace D. Malone, Jr. Endowed Chair of Financial Management
Professor of Finance

Education:

Ph.D. University of Florida, 1986, Finance

Specialty Field:

Investments, Financial Derivatives, Enterprise Risk Management

Selected Publications:


Education:

Ph.D. Cornell University, 2012, Economics

Specialty Fields:

Labor Economics, Development Economics

Selected Publications:


SHERWOOD CLEMENTS
William Cary Hulsey Faculty Fellow
Instructor of Real Estate

Education:

Ph.D. Georgia State University, 2010, Real Estate
M.B.A. Augusta State University, 2005, Management
B.S. University of Georgia, 1993, Real Estate

Specialty Fields:

Real Estate Valuation, Investments and Development

Selected Publications:


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Ehney A. Camp, Jr. Endowed Chair of Finance and Investments
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Specialty Field:

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Selected Publications:


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Education:

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M.A. University of Alabama, 2002, Finance
M.Acc. Auburn University, 1996
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Specialty Fields:

Mergers and Acquisitions, Investment Banking, Venture Capital, Accounting Scandals, Insider Trading, Corporate Governance

Selected Publications:


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Ph.D. University of Virginia, 1982, Economics

Specialty Fields:
Monetary Theory and Policy, Macroeconomics and Economic Development

Selected Publications:

“Do Market Prices Aggregate Information about Macroeconomic Uncertainty (or Risk)?” (With Hyejin Lee.) Applied Economics. 2015.


“Using the Aggregate Demand-Aggregate Supply Model to Identify Demand-Side and Supply-Side Shocks: Results from a Bivariate VAR.” (With C. James Hueng and Walter Enders.) Journal of Money, Credit and Banking. April 2006.


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Specialty Fields:

Experimental Economics, Behavioral Economics

Selected Publications:


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Specialty Fields:

Corporate Finance, Corporate Governance, Mergers and Acquisitions, Executive Compensation, Insider Trading.

Selected Publications:


“Overconfident CEOs as Outside Directors: Are They Facilitators for Innovation.” (With P. Huang and Y. Lu.) Working Paper.


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Professor of Economics
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Education:
Ph.D. University of California, Riverside, 2003, Economics

Specialty Fields:
Nonparametric Econometrics, Economic Growth and Development, Economics of Education

Selected Publications:

Applied Nonparametric Econometrics. (With Christopher Parmeter.) Cambridge University Press. 2015.

“Gradient Based Smoothing Parameter Selection for Nonparametric Regression Estimation.” (With Qi Li, Christopher Parmeter and Shuang Yao.) Journal of Econometrics. 2015.


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Instructor of Finance

Education:

Ph.D. University of Tennessee, 2009, Finance
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Specialty Fields:

Executive Compensation, Investments, Socially Responsible Investing, Financial Knowledge

Selected Publications:


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Education:

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Specialty Fields:

Behavioral Decision Theory, Industrial Organization

Selected Publications:


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Education:
Ph.D., University of Colorado, 2008, Economics

Specialty Fields:
Urban Economics, Public Finance

Selected Publications:


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Associate Professor of Economics

Education:
Ph.D., Michigan State University, 2007, Economics.

Specialty Fields:
Industrial Organization, Applied Microeconomics

Selected Publications:


"Project Selection in NIH: A Natural Experiment from ARRA.” (With Hyunwoo Park and Jeongsik Lee.) Research Policy 2015.


"Export Growth and Credit Constraints.” (With Tibor Besedes and Volodymyr Lugovskyy.) European Economic Review. 2014.


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Specialty Fields:
Corporate Finance, Corporate Innovation, Internal Capital Markets, and Initial Public Offerings

Selected Publications:


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Specialty Fields:

Econometrics, Applied Econometrics, Macroeconomics

Selected Publications:


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**Education:**

Ph.D. Emory University, 2014, Economics
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**Specialty Fields:**

Econometrics, Financial Economics, Monetary Economics and Empirical Macroeconomics

**Selected Publications:**

"How is the Taylor Rule Distributed under Endogenous Monetary Regimes?" *International Review of Finance.* Forthcoming.


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Professor of Finance

Education:

Ph.D. University of Texas at Austin, 1977, Finance
CFA, CFP,CLU, CVA

Specialty Fields:

Financial Institutions and Markets, Personal Financial Planning

Selected Publications:


"Does it Pay to Diversify Internationally: U.S. vs International ETF’s". (With Srinidhi Kanuri.) Financial Services Review. Fall 2015.


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Corporate Governance, Executive Compensation, Mergers and Acquisitions

Selected Publications:


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Selected Publications:


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Specialty Fields:

Mutual Funds, Hedge Funds, Financial Markets and Institutions

Selected Publications:


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Specialty Fields:
Public Economics, Law and Economics

Selected Publications:


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Specialty Fields:

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Selected Publications:


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Specialty Fields:
Behavioral Economics, Field Experiments, Energy and Environmental Economics, Economics of Charity

Selected Publications:


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Education:

Ph.D., University of Pennsylvania, 2009, Finance

Specialty Fields:

Asset Management, Market Microstructure

Selected Publications:


“An Efficiency Perspective on the Gains from Mergers and Asset Purchases” (With M. Warusawitharana.) B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis & Policy. October 2009
LAURA RAZZOLINI

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Professor of Economics

Education:

Ph.D., Southern Methodist University, 1994, Economics.

Specialty Fields:

Experimental Economics, Public Finance

Selected Publications:


"Taking, Giving, and Impure Altruism in Dictator Games." (With O. Korenok and E. Millner.) Experimental Economics. 2014.


Education:

Ph.D. Pennsylvania State University, 1998, Economics

Specialty Fields:

Monetary Theory, Labor Economics, Endogenous Growth, Search Theory

Selected Publications:


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Professor of Law

Education:

J.D., Yale University, Yale Law School, 1994.
B.S.I.L.R., Cornell University, School of Industrial and Labor Relations, 1991.

Specialty Fields:

Corporate Governance, Corporate Social Responsibility, Derivatives, Financial and Business Entity Regulation, International Business Transactions, Securities Markets and Intermediaries

Selected Publications:


"Limits on Exporting Corporate Social Responsibility through Domestic Regulation." South Carolina Journal of International Law and Business. 2015.


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Ph.D., Syracuse University, 2011, Economics

Specialty Fields
Urban Economics, Public Finance, Entrepreneurship, Real Estate Economics, Economics of Crime

Selected Publications:


"Can State Tax Policies be used to Grow Small Businesses?” (With Erin Borchers and John Deskins.) Contemporary Economic Policy. April 2016.


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Housing, Valuation, Investments, Financial Planning

Selected Publications:

"Futures Markets and Real Estate Public Equity: Connectivity of Lumber Futures and Timber REITs." (With S. Clements and C. Jin.) *Journal of Forest Economics.* Forthcoming.


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