

<https://sites.google.com/site/lonestarfinanceconference2014/>

The conference will be held at Rice University on Friday, September 12, 2014.

RSVP: If you plan to attend the conference, please send an email to Marcie Carlson

(Marcie.M.Carlson@rice.edu) and answer the questions below. If possible, please RSVP by Friday, August 22nd.

1. Will you attend dinner on Thursday evening?
2. Which hotel will you be staying at?
3. Do you plan to have a car (i.e., require parking validation)?

Jones School Directions and Parking Information:

http://business.rice.edu/Directions_Parking.aspx

Nearby Hotels:

Hotel ZaZa

5701 Main St, Houston, TX 77005

713-526-1991

www.hotelzaza.com

Hilton Houston Plaza/Medical Center

6633 Travis St, Houston, TX 77030

713-313-4000

www3.hilton.com/en/hotels/texas/hilton-houston-plaza-medical-center-HOUMCHF/index.html

The Hilton and ZaZa both have shuttle service available to campus. There are also taxis available at both hotel locations.

2014 Lone Star Conference Program
Rice University

Thursday September 11th, 2014:

Drinks and Dinner (6:00pm-10:00pm)

Location: Brochstein Pavilion at Rice University

Friday September 12th, 2014:

Breakfast (8:00am-8:45am)

Location: McNair Hall AFC

Welcoming words (8:45am-9:00am)

Shell Auditorium (McNair Hall 1st Floor)

Session #1 – Ratings (9:00am-10:20am)

[The Trust Alternative](#)

Indraneel Chakraborty (SMU), Alessio Saretto (UT Dallas), Malcolm Wardlaw (UT Dallas)

Discussant: Vijay Yerramilli (UH)

[Follow the Money: Investor Trading Around Investor Paid Rating Changes](#)

Utpal Bhattacharya (Indiana), Kelsey Wei (Federal Reserve Board), Han Xia (UT Dallas)

Discussant: Travis Johnson (UT Austin)

Coffee Break (10:20am-10:40am)

Location: McNair Hall AFC

Session #2 – Institutions (10:40am-12:00pm)

[Institutional Presence](#)

Johan Sulaeman (SMU), Chishen Wei (Nanyang Technological University)

Discussant: Sebastien Michenaud (Rice)

[Passive versus Active Fund Performance: Do Index Funds Have Skill?](#)

Alan Crane (Rice), Kevin Crotty (Rice)

Discussant: Hitesh Doshi (UH)

Lunch (12:00pm-1:30pm)

Location: McNair Hall AFC

Session #3 – Corporate Finance (1:30pm-2:50pm)

[Intangible Assets and Capital Structure](#)

Steve C. Lim (TCU), Antonio J. Macias (Baylor), Thomas Moeller (TCU)

Discussant: Yian Liu (SMU)

[Wealth Effects on CEO Compensation: Causal Evidence from the Real Estate Crash of 2006-2010](#)

Beau Page (UH)

Discussant: Swaminathan Kalpathy (TCU)

Coffee Break (2:50pm-3:20pm)

Location: McNair Hall AFC

Session #4 – Asset Pricing (3:20pm-4:40pm)

[Labor Leverage and the Value Spread](#)

Andres Donangelo (UT Austin), Francois Gourio (Boston University), and Miguel Palacios (Vanderbilt)

Discussant: Ravi Sastry (SMU)

[Arbitrage Crashes: Slow-moving Capital or Market Segmentation?](#)

Jens Dick-Nielsen (Copenhagen), Marco Rossi (Texas A&M)

Discussant: Simon Huang (SMU)