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PHILIP BROMILEY
Dean’s Professor of Strategic Management
Nationally known for his research on corporate risk-taking, risk assessment and pricing in commercial lending, trust in organizations, corporate capital investment, accounting misrepresentation, and strategic decision processes.

SIEW HONG TEOH
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Areas of expertise and research interests include financial reporting and investor misperception, effects of limited investor attention on capital markets, earnings management’s effects on security pricing, analysts’ forecasts and disclosure, and auditor independence.

DAVID HIRSHLEIFER
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KERRY VANDELL
Professor of Finance/Real Estate
One of the country’s leading experts on real estate markets, with areas of expertise in mortgage finance, real estate market dynamics, valuation of complex real property interests, liquidity and diversification in real estate portfolios, and housing economics and policy.

MORT PINCUS
Dean’s Professor of Accounting
National expert on earnings management, accounting methods, and the association between accounting information and capital market variables. His recent work investigates the pricing of accounting accruals in valuing firms in international markets and the expected impact on earnings management of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.

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Distinguished leaders speaking on campus.

JOHN SEELY BROWN
Author, “The Only Sustainable Edge”

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Experian
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General Electric
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POLARIS INVESTMENT COMPETITION

The only investment competition in which students invest real money and are able to take advantage of the earnings – up to a total of $130,000 annually. This high-level MBA competition allows student teams to choose investments and create a portfolio with the objective of developing proficiency in small-team organization, pragmatic approaches to evaluating companies, and hands-on experience with management and teamwork dynamics.

BUSINESS PLAN COMPETITION

With potential funding up to $1 million, Merage boasts the most lucrative competition in the country. In addition to prize money, a prominent consortium of angel investors, Tech Coast Angels, select the top-five student teams to be screened for potential seed financing of up to $1 million. Designed to encourage creative and highly motivated people to form teams, focus their passions and develop compelling business plans.

SCIENCE – AND ART – OF STRATEGIC INNOVATION

Technology guru John Seely Brown and other leading researchers are featured in the new “EDGE” course, which explores how technology and globalization are transforming the business landscape. Faculty research workshops and seminars sponsored through Merage present a group of prominent thought leaders who are driving this transformation. Merage students graduate with the ability to initiate innovation, thanks to a cutting-edge curricular focus on Strategic Innovation.

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