

## 2008 FMA Doctoral Student Consortium

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The Financial Management Association International (FMA) is offering a Consortium for advanced Finance Doctoral Students who are currently working on dissertations. The Consortium will be held in conjunction with the 2008 FMA Annual Meeting in Texas. Past Consortiums have proven very valuable for the students who have participated.

**Registration Fee.** There is no fee for the Consortium for those students who are selected to participate. Accepted students will be expected to stay for and participate in the main FMA conference. The registration fee for the conference also will be waived.

### Application and Selection Process

**To apply, a student must first be nominated by the appropriate faculty at his/her school. There is a limit of two (2) applicants per school.** Preference will be given to dissertations at the proposal stage. That is, a clear thesis statement has evolved from a careful review of the literature. The contribution of the research is clear and if the research is empirical, some thought has been given to the research design. Applications will be selected on a competitive basis.

### Special Sessions for Doctoral Student Papers

Students selected for the Doctoral Student Consortium may also submit a paper for possible inclusion in a series of paper sessions during the regular FMA Program (on Thursday, October 9) that have been reserved for paper presentations by doctoral students. To present a paper on one of these special sessions, a student must have: 1) submitted a paper along with the Consortium application and 2) been accepted for the 2008 FMA Doctoral Student Consortium. Student authored papers are given preference over those co-authored with faculty. Student papers will be evaluated for presentation by the distinguished scholars who are serving as panelists for the Consortium and chairs of the special sessions. (Note: *Only students who have been accepted for the Doctoral Student Consortium will be eligible to present papers in the special sessions. However, students who have been selected to participate in the Consortium are not required to submit papers for possible presentation in the special sessions.*)

### To Apply

To apply, a student must be nominated by his/her school, must complete the electronic application form, must upload one copy of their dissertation proposal (approximately 6 – 10 pages, beginning with a 100 – 150 word abstract), and must submit it by **May 14, 2008**. Students applying for the Consortium who also wish to submit a paper for possible presentation in the special doctoral student sessions must complete the electronic application form and send a copy of their job market paper (in PDF format) with their application.

**For an application to be valid, there must be a letter from the appropriate faculty member(s) nominating the applicant on file with FMA.** Letters may be:

- ◆ Sent electronically as a PDF file (scanned with faculty signature) to [fma@coba.usf.edu](mailto:fma@coba.usf.edu)
- ◆ Faxed to 813.974.3318 (applicants outside the US, please fax to 1.813.974.3318)
- ◆ Mailed to:  
Financial Management Association International  
University of South Florida  
College of Business Administration  
4202 E. Fowler Avenue  
Tampa, FL 33620-5500  
USA

**Letters of nomination must be received by the May 14, 2008 deadline. A school may nominate up to two students.**

To apply, please go to:

⇒ [2008 Doctoral Student Consortium Application](http://www.fma.org/Texas/TexasDSSApp.htm)  
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**Note:** All dissertation proposals must be in PDF format. For information on how to prepare a PDF file, simply click [here](#).

**Consortium Format.** The Consortium will be led by distinguished members of the finance profession commenting on papers presented by the students and discussing issues in corporate finance, investments and asset pricing, market microstructure, and financial intermediation as well as aspects of academic publishing and career development.

**Faculty:** Please call this opportunity to the attention of your students. After your school has selected its nominee(s), please send the letter of nomination to FMA as indicated above.

Please contact FMA at 1-813-974-2084 or via e-mail at [fma@coba.usf.edu](mailto:fma@coba.usf.edu) if you need additional information.