Financial Engineering Practitioners Seminar

February 13, 2012, 6:00 PM to 8:00

412 Schapiro CEPSR, Davis Auditorium

Panel discussion of the psychology and practice of financial trading

Three experienced traders and authors of recent books on the subject will offer short readings from their books followed by a discussion. The participants’ careers cover delta one trading at a large investment bank, quant trading at a large hedge fund, commodity trading as an independent CTA and running commodity trading businesses:

Jared Dillian, author of Street Freak: Money and Madness at Lehman Brothers, the story of his trading career at Lehman from September 11, 2001 to the demise of the firm. Currently a financial newsletter author at www.dailydirtnap.com.

"A bipolar math whiz [and] amusingly caustic writer whose new memoir pulls no punches about a financial career that nearly cost him both his sanity and his life."—Fortune.com

“From hair-trigger decisions to trashy banter, Dillian captures how the market feels from inside the belly of a trading room.”—Bloomberg

Aaron Brown, Risk Manager at AQR Capital Management and author of Red-Blooded Risk.

"Wickedly original, one of the most fascinating accounts I have ever seen. A rollicking and highly opinionated read."—Risk Professional

“This is the best book I’ve ever read that discusses financial trading and risk management.”—Professor David J. Aldous

Michael Martin, a successful commodity trader and CTA for over 20 years and author of The Inner Voice of Trading.

“In The Inner Voice of Trading, Michael Martin recounts his own quest to become a successful trader, illuminating his journey with engaging trading episodes. Join Martin at his trading desk as he provides important insights into the art and science of balancing thoughts and feelings—and catching the big one.”—Ed Seykota

“Some people trade and either don’t or can’t teach; some people teach and have never traded; Michael Martin can teach extremely well and is an experienced trader. This rare combo is a necessity to those who want to succeed in the markets.”—Victor "Trader Vic" Sperandeo

Moderator: Tony Corso, Energy Trader, principal and Managing Member’ of Hudson Capital Group