

**Session One: Real Estate**  
**Chair: Hsiu-Wen Wu, Fannie Mae**

Charles Tu and Mark J. Eppli, "Valuing New Urbanism: The Case of Kentlands"

*Discussant: Fred Flick, National Association of Realtors*

John L. Glasscock, Chiuling Lu and Raymond W. So, "The Evaluation of Real Estate Returns across High Volatility periods"

*Discussant: Tyler Yang, PriceWaterhouseCoopers*

Mark J. Eppli and Luis C. Mejia, "The Identification, Performance, and Tenant Mix of Dominant and Non-Dominant Malls"

*Discussant: John Benjamin, American University*

**MORNING SESSIONS (10:30am – 12:00pm )**

**Session Two: Corporate**  
**Chair: Reza Saidi, Catholic University**

Kent Baker and Gary E. Powell, "Factors Influencing Dividend Policy Decisions"

*Discussant: Reza Saidi, Catholic University*

Vojislav Maksimovic and Gordon Phillips, "Optimal Firm Size and the Growth of Conglomerate and Single-Industry Firms"

*Discussant: Paul Peyser, GWU*

Michel A. Robe, "Does Limited Liability Matter?"

*Discussant: Robert Marquez, UMD*

**Session Three: Derivatives**  
**Chair: Tim McCormick, NASDAQ**

Andrew C. Thompson, "The Hotelling Principle, Backwardation of Futures Prices and the Values of Developed Petroleum Reserves - the Production Constraint Hypothesis"

*Discussant: Robert Weiner, GWU*

Sharon Brown-Hruska and Paul A. Laux, "Complementary Markets"

*Discussant: Bill Seale, GWU*

Arthur A. Ferri, "The Structure of Implied Volatility and the Bid-Ask Spread in Option Markets"

*Discussant: Mark Klock, GWU*

**Keynote Speaker: Michael Edleson, Deputy Chief Economist at NASD**  
**12:15 – 12:45**

**AFTERNOON SESSIONS (1:30pm – 3:30pm )**

**Session Five: Structure/Microstructure**  
**Chair: Gerald Hanweck, GMU**

Jennifer E. Bethel, "Managing Market Overhang: The Case of Unallocated Shelf Offering"

*Discussant: Sharon Brown-Hruska, GMU*

Christopher L. Jones, "Evidence on the Importance of Market Making: Drexel's failure and the Junk Bond Market"

*Discussant: Herbert Quigley, UDC*

Neelam Jain and Leonard J. Mirman, "Effects of Insider Trading Under Different Market Structures"

*Discussant: Michel Robe, McGill*

Jeffrey W. Smith, James P. Selway III and D. Timothy McCormick, "The Nasdaq Stock Market: Historical Background and Current Operation"

*Discussant: Pete Lohrey, SEC and GWU*

**Session Six: International/ Corporate**  
**Chair: Gordon Phillips, UMD**

John Paul Broussard, Kenneth A. Kim and Piman Limpaphayom, "Bank stock returns, interest rate changes, and the regulatory environment: new insights from Japan"

*Discussant: Vasilis Katsikiotis, GWU*

Gordon M. Bodnar, Charles Tang and Joseph Weintrop, "Both Sides of Corporate Diversification: The value impacts of geographic and industrial diversification"

*Discussant: P.C. Kuman, AU*

Reid W. Click and Paul Harrison, "Does Multinationality Matter? Cross-sectional Evidence on the risk and returns of US equities"

*Discussant: Mark Eppli, GWU*

Paul S. Peyser, "Firm-theoretic Limitations on Proposition III"  
*Discussant: Clifford Thies, Shennandoah Uni.*

**Session Four: Markets**  
**Chair: David Malmquist, OTS**

Theodore M. Barnhill and William f. Maxwell, "Modeling High Yield Bond Portfolios with correlated Interest Rate and Credit Risk"

*Discussant: Matt Pristker, Fed*

Gordon Alexander, Amy K. Edwards and Michael G. Ferri, "Trading Volume and Liquidity in Nasdaq's High-Yield Bond Market"

*Discussant: Tony Richards, IMF*

Willem Thorbecke, "Budget Deficits, Inflation Risk, and Asset Prices"

*Discussant: Fred Joutz, GWU*

Laura E. Kodres and Matthew Pritsker, "A Rational Expectations Model of Finance Contagion"

*Discussant : Jonathan Jones, OTS*

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