2020 Melbourne Finance Doctoral Information Session

On Thursday November 5th, 2020 the Department of Finance at the University of Melbourne will hold information sessions describing the Department’s doctoral program in Finance. Due to the continued uncertainties related to the potential spread of COVID-19, this year, the information sessions will be held as virtual events. Despite the departure from normal circumstances, we are sure we will have an engaging and successful 2020 session.

Our world-class program begins with two years of advanced course work in finance, economics, econometrics, mathematics and statistics. Dissertation supervision is provided by the Department’s faculty. The faculty regularly publish in the leading Finance and Economics journals. Generous scholarships, fee waivers, conference attendance reimbursement, and a research allowance are available throughout the degree program.

The Department of Finance at the University of Melbourne wants to attract the very best doctoral candidates to study with us. The Department has an experienced group of senior faculty (Professors Peter Bossaerts, Kevin Davis, John Handley, Bruce Grundy, Carsten Murawski, Federico Nardari and Garry Twite) and a wonderful group of young graduates from Alabama, Arizona State, Tel Aviv, Bocconi, Warwick, Georgia State, UC Santa Barbara, University of Texas at Austin, Kellogg, ESSEC, Cambridge Judge Business School, Tilburg, Columbia, Konstanz, Melbourne, Wharton, Zurich, University of Washington, University of Minnesota, Ohio State, Penn State, Monash, Newcastle, Tsukuba, UNSW, NYU and Cornell.

The information session will be presented by five faculty members of the Department of Finance and will describe:

- the structure of the Finance PhD program,
- the research and publications of the Department’s 42 faculty members,
- the Department’s weekly seminar series and annual Finance Down Under Conference,
- the Department’s large set of data bases,
- the application procedure, and
- the funding, support, and placement of our doctoral students.

We will be presenting three information sessions, targeting different time zones:

- November 5th 9:00AM – 12:00noon Melbourne = November 4th 2:00PM – 5:00PM Los Angeles & Vancouver/5:00PM – 8:00PM New York & Toronto.
- November 5th 1:00PM – 4:00PM Melbourne = November 5th 10:00AM – 1:00PM Singapore & Shanghai/7:30AM – 10:30AM New Delhi.
- November 5th 7:00PM – 10:00PM Melbourne = 8:00AM – 11:00AM London/9:00AM – 12:00NOON Frankfurt.

Up to 10 applicants from around the world will be selected to attend each virtual information session. Those wishing to attend should send an email to Suzie Collins suzie.collins@unimelb.edu.au with Melbourne Finance Doctoral Information Day in the subject line. The brief application email should have a pdf attachment that contains:

1. the applicant’s CV which must include the applicant’s contact details,
(2) a maximum one-page description of a research project undertaken by the applicant as part of their current or past studies or employment,
(3) a maximum one-page statement of interest in future doctoral studies in Finance, and
(4) preferred session time.

Closing date for applications: Monday October 26th, 2020. Applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application by Thursday October 29th, 2020 and must confirm their attendance by Monday November 2nd and will be emailed a Zoom invitation.