Goldman Sachs Trade Pitch Competition

Registration

The objective of this competition is for students to learn how to create and justify a trade idea on behalf of a hedge fund. Students will work in self-selected teams of three to propose a unique trade (buying and/or short-selling specific securities), and create a 5 - 7 page powerpoint presentation with an explanation of the trade thesis. The top 10 teams will ultimately be invited to present their trade idea to a panel of Goldman investment professionals on the afternoon of Thursday, March 26.

Participants in this competition are expected to abide by the Duke Honor Code in all aspects of their work for this competition. This includes not obtaining external assistance from finance professionals or advisors (with the exception of Professor Rasiel or anyone appointed by Professor Rasiel to advise you) with either the content or format of their report.
Eligibility

The Trade Pitch Competition is open to all Duke Sophomores, who will self-select into teams of three students. Students who are neither Economics majors/minors nor Finance minors are warmly encouraged to participate.

Participation

Teams participating in the competition will be provided extensive guidelines to assist in selecting a trade idea, and creating a powerpoint presentation for the Goldman Sachs Panel.

The creators of the ten best presentations will be invited to make brief presentations to a panel of Goldman Sachs representatives. There will then be a reception for all teams that submitted reports. At this time, the winning teams will be announced and prizes awarded.

For deadlines and registration information, see below.
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1. The registration deadline is **5pm on Thursday, Feb 13**. To register your team, please read all of the information below, and then click on the registration link at the bottom of this pdf.
   
   If you would like to participate but have not been able to find a team, see below to register individually.

2. Extensive guidelines will be made available on **Friday, Feb 14**.

3. The deadline for submitting a printout of your team's completed Presentation is **Monday, March 2 at 12pm (noon)**.

4. 10 teams selected to present to the Goldman Sachs panel will be notified on or before March 16, and will have until March 23 at 12pm to edit their presentations and submit updates based on feedback from the DFE team.

5. The selected teams will present to the Goldman Sachs panel on the afternoon of **Thursday, March 26 [location TBD]**.

6. **All** registered teams will be invited to attend the Goldman Sachs Reception on **Thursday, March 26** from 4:30 – 6:00. At this time, the winning teams will be announced and prizes awarded.

To register, **click here**.

If you would like to participate but have not been able to find a team, please **click here** to register individually. We will match up these stand-alone students into teams of three.