

Eric Smith

Associate Director of the Tulane Energy Institute, Professor of Practice at Tulane University
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Professor Eric Smith is an expert in energy markets and the oil and gas industry.

Biography

In addition to being the associate director of the Tulane Energy Institute, Prof. Smith teaches in the Energy Specialization program which is open to all Freeman students. Professor Eric N. Smith also produces essential reports and serves as the public face of the Energy Institute, responding to local and national media on energy-related questions. Current plans include a presentation in Shenzhen, China in September concerning Sino-American Energy Trade Policy. Professor Smith draws on 36 years of experience in the petrochemical industry and in the international offshore drilling and construction sectors. He provides market analysis and economic research on a variety of issues affecting the energy sector such as reports on the potential for exporting LNG and Light, Sweet Crude Oil, studies on the economic impact of unconventional shale oil and gas development, reports on the use of Petroleum Coke as a feed stock for power generation, and research into the use of bio-butanol as a substitute for ethanol in gasoline blends. Professor Smith is Tulane's media spokesman for energy issues and is the Energy Committee chairman for the World Trade Center of New Orleans. He has served as a consultant to Louisiana's Department of Economic Development and to Greater New Orleans, Inc. In addition, he has served on the city's energy advisory board to assist with improving the efficiency of electric power generation and distribution.

Areas of Expertise

Energy, Oil and Gas Industry, Energy - Power and Utilities, Gas Prices, Transmission and Power Distribution, Renewable Energy, Financial Analysis, Financial Modeling, Valuation

Affiliations

National Offshore Industries Association, Society of Petroleum Engineers, International Association of Energy Economists - Louisiana Branch

Education

Tulane University

M.B.A. Business Administration

Georgia Institute of Technology

B.S. Chemical Engineering

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