

Thomas Smith

Professor in the Practice of Finance; Academic Director, Master of Finance at Emory University, Goizueta Business School

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Biography

Tom Smith is considered a specialist in the areas of labor economics, pricing, film finance, sports economics and finance, and the economics of the entertainment and health care industries. Described as a "jack of all trades and master of them all," he's one of Goizueta Business School's most sought-after experts. Tom brings his research on micro- and macro-economics into the classroom; considered timely and insightful, his perspective has been published by local outlets and international publications alike, including Time. He regularly appears as a financial expert on television and radio - CNN, NPR, and The Huffington Post to name a few - and is frequently quoted in the press regarding trends in unemployment, inflation, trade, and economics-driven topics. An energetic and enthusiastic professor, Tom eschews narrow definitions of leadership. Through forging genuine connections with participants, Tom helps them expand their thinking and develop a more holistic approach to business that, in turn, enhances their approach to leadership and results in greater success. Smith holds a PhD in economics from the University of Illinois at Chicago.

Industry Expertise

Education/Learning, Research

Areas of Expertise

Cultural Economics, Economics of the Arts, Economics of Sports, Economics of Religion, Urban and Real Estate Economics, Labor Economics, Economic Education

Affiliations

Association of Cultural Economics International : Secretary / Treasurer, Association of Religion Economics and Culture : Program Director, Illinois Economic Association : Trustee, Journal of Cultural Economics; Journal of Arts Management Law and Society; Review of Social Economy; Review of Religious Research : Manuscript Referee

Education

University of Illinois at Chicago

PhD Cultural Economics and Policy in Labor and Demography

University of Illinois at Chicago

MS Economics

Accomplishments

Teaching Award

2007 University of Illinois-Chicago & Center for Excellence in Learning and Teaching

Rookie of the Year Award

2004 National Association of Economic Education

Co-winner of the Oscar Miller Teaching Award for Best Economics Graduate Student Teacher

1998 University of Illinois-Chicago

Finalist: Lucent Technology Prize for *The Demand for Culture: A Human Capital Approach*, paper and presentation

1997 Illinois Economic Association

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