Panel Discussion
Insights into Entrepreneurship Careers for Caltech Students

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May 12, 2021
4:00 pm - A panel of entrepreneurship executives, who are all Caltech alumni, will discuss careers in entrepreneurship.

Michael Ewens, Professor of Finance and Entrepreneurship at Caltech, will moderate the discussion.

ADVANCE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

To register for the panel:

Sign up by May 11 by noon at https://caltechcdc.wufoo.com/forms/p1d6nhf010sjvho/

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Graham Free ‘04

Graham Free (BS with Honors in Economics, 2004) was a Co-Founder and Global Head of Trading for Virtu Financial, one of the world's largest electronic market making firms and one of the largest volume participants in the U.S. equity markets. The firm trades on over 235 electronic venues and market places and at least 36 countries. Virtu had its initial public offering in 2015.

Prior to Virtu Financial, Graham worked at Madison Tyler straight after Caltech, first as a Trading Analyst and then as Head Trader. He initially commuted to work from his dorm room during the third trimester of his senior year!

At Caltech, Graham was active in laboratory economics experiments, assisting in research with his advisor, Charles Plott, and doing a SURF with Colin Camerer. He also participated as a subject in many economics experiments. Intuitions gained during these experiments helped prepare him for his career and fuel his passion for markets.
Kelly Littlepage ‘09

Kelly Littlepage is a computer scientist, mathematician, and economist, working at the intersection of those fields. Kelly earned Caltech degrees in applied math, finance, and dynamical systems in 2009. He is the Founder and CEO of OneChronos, a U.S. equities trading venue designed bottom-up to fundamentally address the growing gap between how trading venues match orders and how traders need to execute. After Caltech, Kelly joined Crabel Capital Management as Director of Microstructures before moving to a Systematic Trading role at Bank of America. After Bank of America, Kelly held positions as CTO of Telnyx and Managing Partner at IndigoShift before founding OneChronos.

Zach Rivkin ‘14

Zach Rivkin is Co-Founder and CEO of Gatsby Labs, an enterprise software company that allows executives to create workflows and be more productive. Previously, while Chief of Staff to Joe Lonsdale (Co-Founder 8VC and Palantir), he co-created 8VC’s internal BUILD program: hiring engineers, PMs, and designers and then incubating smart enterprise companies. In 2020, Zach cofounded multiple companies, including a microbiome startup with Caltech Professor Sarkis Mazmanian. Prior to 8VC, he worked at Bridgewater and Goldman Sachs.

Zach studied math at Caltech (’14) where he was Avery House President and Student Body President. He currently serves on the board of the Caltech Associates.

Michael Ewens (Moderator)

Michael Ewens is a Professor of Finance and Entrepreneurship at Caltech in the Division of Humanities and Social Sciences. He is a Research Associate at the National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER), co-editor of the Journal of Economics & Management Strategy and Associate Editor at the Journal of Corporate Finance. He received an economics PhD from the University of California, San Diego in 2010. Since 2006 he has quantitative advisor for Correlation Ventures, a quantitative-focused venture capital firm. Along with classes at Caltech, Prof. Ewens has taught venture capital finance at Wharton School of Business, Carnegie Mellon, and University of California San Diego. From 2010-2014, he was on the faculty at Tepper School of Business at Carnegie Mellon University. He co-organizes the Southern California Private Equity Conference and the virtual Workshop on Entrepreneurial Finance and Innovation.