

## **Blackwell *Companions to Finance* Series**

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This major publishing project will provide the most comprehensive view of the field of finance in all of its variety and complexity with a series of approximately 65 edited volumes on all major topics of finance. Like the Blackwell *Companions* in many other fields, each volume in the *Companions to Finance Series* will consist of new articles especially commissioned for the volume. Each *Companion* will consist of an editor's introduction and approximately 20-25 articles of approximately 20-30 pages each to fully describe the current state of financial research and practices in a particular area of finance.

The essays in each volume are intended for advanced undergraduate students, graduate students, and practicing finance professionals. The goal of each volume is to encapsulate the current state of knowledge in a particular area of finance so that the reader can quickly achieve a mastery of that sub-discipline of finance.

Each volume will be edited by a recognized expert in the particular sub-discipline of finance. This editor will develop an outline for the volume that covers the major issues in the field, and will then identify and recruit authors to contribute articles to that volume. The editor will also review each article for accuracy, soundness, and comprehensiveness.

In addition to being published in hard cover and paperback, the entire series will be made available on-line, and the electronic version will be updated periodically to ensure that the *Companions to Finance Series* remains a vibrant and vital source for the discipline. This project will be initiated in Fall 2006, with the first volumes beginning to appear in early 2008. Clearly, a project of this magnitude will take several years to complete.