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Financial Counseling Available on Campus

The global economy, as well as personal and retirement savings, has suffered in recent months. To help faculty and staff make informed decisions about their finances in these challenging times, Stanford Benefits has arranged for help in the form of an expanded number of one-on-one financial counseling sessions and financial education classes.

Individual Investment Counseling

While free financial counseling sessions with Fidelity, TIAA-CREF and Vanguard representatives have always been available, Stanford Benefits has asked that they increase their availability at SLAC and various campus locations, by phone, and in the case of Fidelity and TIAA-CREF, in their Palo Alto office. Some appointment times are still available this year, and a schedule of 2009 dates and locations will be available at the beginning of the year. Employees can schedule an appointment now by contacting the financial institution directly.

Fidelity (800) 642-7131 or www.fidelity.com/atwork/reservations

TIAA-CREF (800) 842-2007 or www.tiaa-cref.org/moc

Vanguard (800) 662-0106 ext. 14500 or www.meetvanguard.com

Financial Knowledge Courses

Stanford Benefits has asked Financial Knowledge to return to campus with a new series of informative sessions designed to teach employees how to navigate the current economic situation and make informed investment decisions. Financial Knowledge provides impartial financial education to help people develop in-depth knowledge and skills to manage all aspects of their personal finances. Each two-hour course will cost \$20 per person (reimbursement available through STAP funds) and include a workbook to take home as a reference. The courses will be listed in STARS starting in early January and will repeat several times during the first part of the year. Course titles include:

Investment Basics

Managing Your Finances in Challenging Times

Retirement Planning Strategies in Challenging Times

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Financial Counseling Schedule for SLAC

Fidelity	TIAA-CREF	Vanguard
January 6	January 7	January 29
February 3	February 12	February 19
March 3	March 10	March 12
	April 14	April 9

To schedule a free, confidential appointment, go online or call the financial institution directly.

Fidelity	www.fidelity.com/atwork/reservations	(800) 642-7131
TIAA-CREF	www.tiaa-cref.org/moc	(800) 842-2776
Vanguard	www.meetvanguard.com	(800) 662-0106 ext. 14500

All SLAC appointments will be held in Building 41, Room 130A. Remember, additional dates and times are available on campus and in the Palo Alto offices of Fidelity and TIAA-CREF.