APPLICATIONS OF ARBITRAGE THEORIES

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TIME: 6:00 -9:00 PM

SYLLABUS

PLEASE NOTE THAT SINCE THERE ARE ONLY 6 CLASSES TO THIS COURSE AND THERE IS NO TEXBOOK USED, IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT YOU ATTEND ALL CLASSES.

SESSION I ARBITRAGE

2/11/2013 Beating the Risk-free rate

"Carry Markets" - Rights Arbitrage -

Embedded Options – Convertible Arbitrage

SESSION II OPTIONS ARBITRAGE – SHORT SALES

2/25/2013 Forward Conversions- Delta-Math and mechanics of short-selling

SESSION III <u>INDEX ARBITRAGE</u>

3/4/2013 Trading triggers – Index Funds – Triple Witching Hour Predictability-

Tailing

SESSION IV TAX ARBITRAGE

3/11/2013 Converting one type of income into a more favorably taxed type of income

SESSION V BUSINESS HEDGING

3/25/2013 Origins of the Futures Market- Airlines and Jet Fuel-

Gold Producers - Options vs. Forwards

SESSION VI <u>HEDGED INVESTMENT STRATEGIES</u>

4/1/2013 Logically "Placing Your Bets"

Long/Short Strategies - Market Neutral Strategies

Closed-End Fund Arbitrage

Review of transactions and preparation for take home final