Program Details

Sponsor Name: Zeo Capital Advisors

Program Name: Fixed Income for a Rising Rate Environment

CFP Board Program ID: 200014

Description: This 1-hour program presents a new framework for understanding the

challenges of finding yield in today's low-interest rate environment and explores the risks of various yield-seeking strategies. We first examine the reasons for maintaining a fixed income allocation despite historically low yields. We examine the various risks that investors may be taking either by leaving fixed income or by reaching for higher-yielding strategies (including financing, duration and default risks). Then we compare the perception of default risk to the reality of other risks using historical default rates and interest rate moves through an analysis of the potential impact on principal. We review why fundamental and active approaches to fixed income should be viewed as an entirely different category within fixed income and why most investors don't currently do so. We conclude by providing actionable ways in which investors

can apply this new framework in their portfolios.

Learning Objectives: A. Review the needs served by fixed income. B. Identify potential risks in yield-

seeking strategies. C. Compare relative risk scenarios for a 1% rise among fixed income asset classes. D. Learn how a fundamental, active approach can

result in an entirely different risk category.

Level of Complexity: Intermediate

Ethics: No

Method of Delivery: Live

Start Date: 01/02/2015 **End Date**: 12/31/2016

Program Status: Active

Total Hours

Requested:

1.00

Total Hours Granted: 1.00