



BROWN
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COE Lecture Series Fall 2007

Join us on Wednesday, October 3, 2007

2:00 pm in Barus and Holley Room 190 with light reception following in Barus and Holley Lobby

Hambleton Lord '83 **Managing Director, Launchpad Venture Group**

Raising Money from Angels

Hambleton (Ham) Lord will join us to share what an angel investor does and how they select companies for investment. Ham has over 20 years experience in the software industry founding and building industry leading companies. Ham's senior management experience was in the software industry, most recently as co-founder and Vice President of Marketing for Advanced Visual Systems (AVS). AVS develops software for scientists and engineers involved in applications such as Medical Imaging, Geographic Information Systems (GIS), Engineering Analysis and Oil & Gas Exploration. Prior to AVS, Ham helped launch two computational chemistry companies, MicroChem Technologies and Polygen. These two companies were pioneers in the development of software for drug discovery, and were part of an industry wide acquisition roll-up that resulted in Accelrys Inc. (NASDAQ: ACCL). Ham graduated magna cum laude with a degree in Computer Science from Brown University.

Launchpad Venture Group is a Boston-based angel investment group that provides funding to early-stage companies. Launchpad invests in innovative, technology-driven startup companies addressing a significant market opportunity. Today, Launchpad has over 60 active investors. Members come from a variety of backgrounds and professions, including the technology, financial and service communities. In a typical situation, Launchpad will invest between \$100,000 and \$500,000 and work with the company to proceed to the next stage.