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Minerva Schools at KGI Announce Appointments of Two New Deans

Dr. Brian Ross appointed Dean of the College of Social Sciences

Dr. John Percival appointed Dean of the College of Business

San Francisco, Calif. – November 1, 2016 – [The Minerva Schools at KGI](#), offering a reinvented university experience for the brightest and most motivated students from around the world, today announced the appointment of two renowned educators to the Minerva team. Dr. Brian Ross is Dean of the College of Social Sciences at the Minerva Schools at KGI, and Dr. John Percival is Dean of the College of Business.

Dr. Brian Ross joins Minerva from the University of Illinois, where he most recently served as Executive Associate Dean for Social/Behavior Sciences and Area Centers at the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. In addition, he continued teaching as a professor of psychology. Dr. Ross's research throughout his career has focused on understanding how people learn, remember, and solve problems. Dr. Ross earned a Ph.D. in Psychology from Stanford, a M.A. in Psychology from Yale, a M.S. in Mathematical Statistics from Rutgers, and a B.S. in Psychology from Brown.

Dr. John Percival brings to Minerva deep experience in both teaching and global business. Prior to Minerva he was the founder and CEO of J.R.P. Associates, a provider of executive education and consulting in finance for clients in both the public and private sectors across the U.S., Europe, and Asia. He taught finance at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania from 1971 until June of 2014. At Wharton, he held the positions of Adjunct Professor of Finance, Assistant Professor of Finance, and Associate Director and Associate Vice Dean of the M.B.A. Program. He earned a Ph.D., M.B.A., and B.A. from the State University of New York at Buffalo.

Dr. Ross and Dr. Percival join the growing, global team of faculty at the Minerva Schools at KGI. The deans at Minerva are actively involved in ensuring that students succeed; they not only organize and direct the curriculum for their college, but also hire and manage faculty. All courses at Minerva are conducted live as interactive seminars through its proprietary Active Learning Forum, providing a unique opportunity to attract and hire extraordinary faculty who live anywhere around the globe. Minerva's teaching staff is now distributed across 20 cities and four countries and its unique distributed model was featured in [a story by Fast Company](#) earlier this year.

Minerva is currently accepting applications from faculty interested in teaching undergraduate courses across all disciplines beginning in the 2017-2018 academic year. Candidates may apply at <https://www.minerva.kgi.edu/careers/>.

About Minerva Schools at KGI

The Minerva Schools at KGI offer a reinvented university experience for the brightest, most motivated students from around the world. Combining an interdisciplinary curriculum and rigorous academic standards, an accomplished faculty versed in the science of learning, an advanced interactive learning platform leveraging cutting-edge technology, and four years of immersive global experience, Minerva delivers an exceptional liberal arts and sciences education for future leaders and innovators in every discipline. The Minerva Schools at KGI were established in 2013 by KGI – Keck Graduate Institute – a WASC (WASC Senior College and University Commission) accredited institution – in alliance with Minerva Project. www.minerva.kgi.edu