

Human × AI Finance

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CALL FOR PAPERS

Feb 18, 2026

SUBMISSION DEADLINE

Mar 18, 2026

CONFERENCE

Apr 24, 2026

Can AI help write a finance paper? We invite you to find out.

Human × AI Finance is an original research exercise: write a finance research paper using as much AI assistance as possible — in just four weeks. All submitted papers will be reviewed by AI agents, which will select the top four for presentation and discussion at the **Fink Center Conference on Financial Markets** at UCLA Anderson on **April 24, 2026**.

This is a serious research exercise with an unusual twist. We want rigorous finance papers. We also want to learn what happens when researchers fully embrace AI as a collaborator — from literature review to modeling to writing.

Key Dates

Call for Papers released: February 18, 2026

Submission deadline: March 18, 2026

Conference date: April 24, 2026

The Rules

1. **Start date.** Formal work on the paper must begin no earlier than the release of this Call for Papers (February 18, 2026).
2. **Use AI.** Authors are encouraged to integrate AI tools as extensively as possible throughout the research process.
3. **Any finance topic.** We welcome papers on any topic in finance, broadly defined.
4. **Any format.** There are no constraints on paper length, structure, or style.

Who Can Submit

Everyone. Faculty, graduate students, industry professionals, independent researchers — all backgrounds are welcome.

Submission Requirements

Submissions must include:

1. A **PDF** of the paper
2. A **machine-readable version** of the paper (LaTeX, Word, or Markdown)
3. A brief **description of your AI workflow** — how you used AI and how it helped the project

Submit through our website: <https://humanxaifinance.org>

Review and Selection

All papers will be reviewed by a panel of AI agents. The AI agents will select the **four best papers** for the conference program. No human will be involved in the selection process.

Feedback from the AI reviewers will be shared with every author.

Conference Presentation

Selected papers will be presented and discussed as part of the **Fink Center Conference on Financial Markets** at UCLA Anderson on **April 24, 2026**. Funds are available to support travel and lodging for presenting authors.

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