



CFALA Names Rama Malladi May Volunteer of the Month



Rama Malladi, CFA, jokes that his volunteer efforts for CFALA require so much of his time that he doesn't have any left over for a job (he's actually a full-time Ph.D candidate at UCLA's Anderson School).

Although he's kidding, there's some truth to it. Rama is a key volunteer in three important areas – education, technology and as a member of the society's board of governors. He got involved shortly after joining CFALA seven years ago and his many contributions have made him the volunteer of the month for May.

As Chair of the Education Committee, Rama organizes and administers two important programs – fixed income and alternative investments. Each program has nine weekly sessions in downtown Los Angeles where experts from the investment industry make presentations to an audience consisting of charterholders, candidates and prospective candidates.

Rama also chairs the Technology Committee, where he has helped the society move its administrative functions away from in-house servers and onto “the cloud,” and also pioneered the use of videoconferencing to bring CFALA events such as the annual forecast dinner to members in Santa Barbara and other locations. His efforts were instrumental in CFALA becoming the first society to utilize videoconferencing, which in turn resulted in CFALA receiving national awards for technical excellence for the last two years.

Prior to returning to the Anderson School, where he received his MBA, Rama spent 18 years in the investment industry. He worked in London, on the East Coast and most recently as managing partner of a Los Angeles financial analytics firm. He's a busy man, a tireless volunteer and a great asset to CFALA. Thank you Rama!