## **Will the Bleeding Stop?** A Look at the Departure of Sean Salter

The recent breaking news story about the impending departure of assistant professor of finance Sean Salter represents the final nail in the coffin of the CoB's real estate program. With Salter's departure, we have put together another update of the brain drain list that has been building since the CoB's AACSB Peer Review Team left Hattiesburg in February of 2007. In the last installment, we reported on the loss of Zaher Hallab, associate professor of tourism management. With Hallab's departure, the number of refereed journal articles that have left the CoB since Feb-07 rose to 106.

A search by reporters at USMNEWS.NET reveals that Salter has published nine articles over the past few years. That list is presented below, and in a format similar to previous issues on this subject.

Table 1			
Salter's Refereed Journal Articles			
Year	Journal Outlet		
2007	Journal of Housing Research		
	Journal of Real Estate Portfolio Management		
	Managerial Finance		
2006	Journal of Education for Business		
	Journal of Real Estate Portfolio Management		
2005	Appraisal Journal		
2004	Appraisal Journal		
2003			
2002	Journal of Real Estate Research		
2001	Journal of Real Estate Research		

Clearly, Salter is AACSB Academically Qualified (AQ) by portfolio in real estate/finance (in fact, Salter is AQ 2.67 times over). With the information on the research of Salter from Table 1 above, the previous report's table can also be updated. That update is provided below in Table 2.

Table 2			
<b>Refereed Journal Articles Lost Since Feb-07</b>			
Name	Articles Lost		
Babin, Barry	33		
Babin, Laurie	11		
Lopez, Tara	5		
Sawyer, Charles	37		
Gregory, Brian	3		
Haggard, Dana	0		
Haggard, Stephen	1		

Madaris, Michael	1
Lewis, Stanley	10
Hallab, Zaher	5
Salter, Sean	_9
	115

As Table 2 above points out, the CoB has lost 115 refereed journal articles since mid Feb-07. The loss of Salter pushes the total faculty lost count (since Feb-07) to 11 - a staggering number. The loss of the Salter, the 2006 BellSouth Outstanding Faculty Award winner, ushers in a new CoB – one without a viable real estate major.