

# Houston **FORESIGHT** Gathering **2015**

This is a face-to-face event; presentations will be recorded for sharing (as practical)

- Who: Students, faculty, “recruits,” alums (Master’s & certificate) & public (via invite)
- When: April 17-18, 2015 (Friday & Saturday)
- Why: Building the Houston Foresight Community

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<u>What</u>	<u>Where</u>	<u>When</u>
Dinner	Goode Co. Tacqueria (4902 Kirby Dr)	Friday 5pm
Drinks & Hookah	Byzantio (403 West Gray St)	Friday 8pm-???
“Technology Acceleration”	UH Cameron Bldg (3999 Cullen Blvd) (intersect Wheeler/Cullen Blvd)	Saturday 8:30-5
BBQ & Pool Party	Andy’s House (714 E 9 <sup>th</sup> St)	Saturday 5:30-??
Free Time	Anywhere (self-organize)	Sunday

Recommended Hotel: U of Houston Hilton [currently] \$116/day ([link](#))

# “Technology Acceleration” *Agenda*

*Led by John Smart of Accelerated Studies Foundation*

## Light Breakfast (8:30-9:00)

### Morning (9-12)

9-9:30 **Universal Acceleration**

9:30-10 *Discussion/exercise*

10-10:30 **Technology, Wealth,  
& Social Acceleration**

10:30-11 *Discussion/exercise*

11-11:30 **Quantification,  
Simulation & Foresight  
Acceleration**

11:30-12 *Discussion/exercise*

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### Afternoon (1-4)

1:00-1:30 **Globalization & Societal  
Convergence & Deceleration**

1:30-2 *Discussion/exercise*

2-2:30 **Biologically-Inspired AI,  
Intelligent Agents, & the  
Singularity Hypothesis**

2:30-3 *Discussion/exercise*

3:00-3:30 **Social Challenges & Failure  
States**

3:30-4 *Discussion/exercise*

## Closing Plenary (4-5)

Individuals share their key insights from the day