



Peter Blair Henry
Class of 1987

PETER BLAIR HENRY is Dean of New York University's Stern School of Business and author of *TURNAROUND: Third World Lessons for First World Growth* (Basic Books, 2013). Named Dean two days before his 40th birthday, Henry came to Stern from the Stanford Graduate School of Business, where he was Konosuke Matsushita Professor of International Economics.

In 2008, Henry led the Presidential Transition Team's review of the IMF and World Bank. In June 2009, President Obama appointed Henry to the President's Commission on White House Fellowships.

A Board member of the National Bureau of Economic Research, the Council on Foreign Relations, and Kraft Foods Group, Henry was awarded the Foreign Policy Association Medal in February 2015. Overturning conventional wisdom on the topics of debt relief, international capital flows, and the role of institutions in economic growth, Henry's research has inspired segments on NPR's *Planet Money* and *This American Life*; Henry has also contributed articles to the *Financial Times*, *Fortune*, and *Ozy.com*, among others.

Henry's first lesson in international economics actually came at age eight, when his family moved from Jamaica to Wilmette, triggering his life-long interest in variations in standards of living across the globe.

At New Trier, Henry was a Senior Helper, a National Merit Finalist, co-captain of the basketball team, and a member of the Trevians' starting lineup in three varsity sports.

Henry received his Ph.D. in economics from MIT and Bachelor's degrees from Oxford University, where he was a Rhodes Scholar and a full blue in basketball, and the University of North Carolina, where he was a Morehead Scholar, Phi Beta Kappa, a reserve wide receiver on the football team, and a finalist in the 1991 campus-wide slam dunk competition.

Henry lives in New York City with Lisa Nelson, his wife of 19 years, and their four sons.

