



Michelle Michot Foss, Ph.D., is the fellow in energy and minerals at Rice University's Baker Institute, developing policies and conducting research to help build capacity on non-fuel minerals supply chains. She has nearly 40 years of experience in senior positions in energy and environmental research, consulting and investment banking with early career exposure to mining and mined land reclamation.

Over the past three decades, Michot Foss developed and directed research on energy value chain economics and commercial frameworks to support worldwide investment while serving in several positions at The University of Texas at Austin and the University of Houston. She previously served as the chief energy economist and head of the Bureau of Economic Geology's Center for Energy Economics at the University of Texas at Austin. She was also a UH Shell Interdisciplinary Scholar with grants on North American gas and power integration and national oil companies. Her career research highlights include reviewing oil, gas and minerals markets for local, national and international government bodies, including the Texas Comptroller, U.S. Energy Information Agency, U.S. Department of Energy, World Bank, Japan's External Trade Organization and other institutions.

Michot Foss also led a university-based LNG industry consortium for North America. In addition, she implemented energy development assistance and engagement programs sponsored by USAID and the Department of State's Bureau of Energy Resources in more than 20 countries and regions, including Central Asia, Ukraine, West Africa, Uganda, India, Bangladesh and Mexico. She built and led the New Era in Oil, Gas & Power Value Creation program for energy sector professionals from more than 40 countries. She was previously a director of research at Simmons & Company International and at [Rice Center](#).

Michot Foss remains an executive instructor for the Texas Executive Education program at UT's McCombs School of Business, and she was named an Exxon Mobil Instructor of Excellence. She has served on the advisory committees for the UTA Jackson School of Geosciences Energy & Earth Resources graduate program and Jackson School Endowment.

She is a member of the advisory boards for Haddington Ventures LLC and Energy Intelligence Group. She is past president of the International Association for Energy Economics; past president of the U.S. Association for Energy Economics; and was named USAEE Senior Fellow for service. Michot Foss is a partner in Harvest Gas Management LLC, and she created and leads a nonprofit organization, Friends of Briargrove Park Green Space LLC, to coordinate activities with Harris County Flood Control District for post-Harvey rehabilitation.

Michot Foss received her B.S. from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, an M.S. from Colorado School of Mines and a Ph.D. from the University of Houston.

For background on the CES Energy & Minerals program, see <https://www.bakerinstitute.org/energy-minerals/>.

For expert publications, see <https://www.bakerinstitute.org/experts/michelle-michot-foss/>.