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Bio

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John Vrionis is a lecture faculty member and teaches SM514, Product Market Fit, in the business school.

John is the founder and Managing Partner at Unusual Ventures, an early stage venture capital firm focused on investing in information technology startups. A seasoned venture capitalist with over two decades of experience, John has been an early investor in a number of successful software startups including: AppDynamics, Arctic Wolf Networks, Carta, Harness, Hallow, Liftoff.io, Mulesoft, Pinterest, Nicira, Nimble Storage and Robinhood.

Originally from Georgia, John graduated from Harvard University, where he studied economics and applied mathematics while also playing varsity soccer. His passion for technology led him to pursue a master's degree in computer science from the University of Chicago. Inspired by visionary entrepreneurs, John moved to Silicon Valley in 2002 and completed his MBA at the Stanford Graduate School of Business. Before co-founding Unusual Ventures, John served as a General Partner at Lightspeed Venture Partners for twelve years.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Lecturer, Graduate School of Business

Teaching

COURSES

2025-26

- Product/Market Fit: STRAMGT 514 (Spr)

2024-25

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