

Red Stick Times

The Graduate School of Banking at Louisiana State University

Wednesday, May 23, 2018

The Session is off to an excellent start. Freshman have been lost but are now found. Seniors are getting settled into the simulation and are trying to raise capital before the examiners levy fines, and juniors are learning to manage their bank's performance, following regulatory laws, and merge. And the weekend is in sight!

It was obvious from the standing ovation received at the end of the talk last night that the Tuesday evening presentation by Mr. James Olson was very well received by the students and faculty. Almost 600 bankers attended the session. Bankers left the talk with a new appreciation for the activities of the CIA.

Senior Report Card

Throughout the 69-year history of GSB, only 107 students (out of 16,147) have made a clean sweep with all A's. This year one senior had 10 A's. Congratulations to **Derek J. Matherne**, AVP, Credit Analyst, First American Bank & Trust, Vacherie, LA.

Two students had nine A's and one B, these are **Walter Ayers**, Senior Vice President, Union Bank & Trust, Richmond, VA and **Brian Presson**, Vice President/Commercial Loans, FNB Bank, Scottsboro, AL

Junior class results will be reported tomorrow.

TODAY @ GSB

4:45	FR/JR Case Groups
5:30-6:45	Dinner
6:00-7:00	State Receptions

Meet the Freshman Politicians

We need a few more candidates so we have extended the deadline until **NOON** today for **nominations**. You can take a photo of the signed nomination form and email it to corinne@gsblsu.org by **NOON today**.

The following candidates are on the ballot:

Hamilton Leon, AVP/Business Analyst, Bank of the Ozarks, Atlanta, GA

Mark Sulski, Market President, Kentucky Bank, Georgetown, KY

Tiffany Tuminello, VP/Loan Officer, The Cottonport Bank, Bunkie, LA

Kelly White, Director of Branch Operations, Mid South Bank, Lafayette, LA

Voting will be at the start of the first period this afternoon with results reported tomorrow.

State Receptions Today at 6pm

You are reminded that bankers from AL, FL, GA, KY, LA, MS, NC, SC, TN, and VA are invited to a reception hosted by their state banker associations **TODAY** at 6:00 pm in the Cotillion Ballroom at the LSU Union. This is one of the few opportunities you will have to meet fellow bankers from your state. Receptions are hosted by the following:

Alabama	Scott Latham
Florida	Jeremy Hayes
Georgia	Joe Brannen, Brad Barber
Kentucky	Dan Harbison
Louisiana	Bob Taylor, Ginger Laurent
Mississippi	Amy Davis
N. Carolina	Kim Hutchens
S. Carolina	Jimmy Clarkson
Tennessee	Colin Barrett, Stacey Langford,
	Bobby Moore, Lee Moss
Virginia	Courtney Fleming

Refreshments appropriate to banker's receptions will be served.

Deadline Extensions on BSPs

The School is quite strict in adhering to the due dates for the bank study projects. You can appreciate the fact that it is quite a chore to keep track of over 400 projects arriving monthly during the period September through February. To avoid the "late" stamp, projects must be postmarked by the 15th of the month due. Projects mailed later receive an automatic "C" grade.

It is inevitable that situations develop in people's lives that prevent the completion of the projects by their due dates. In such cases, extensions are granted for a two week period. Requests for extensions should be made to Corinne Long prior to the deadline.

Mexican Colleagues

Enrollment from banks in Mexico has reached a new high at this session. For about 18 years Banorte, based in Monterrey, has sent officers to the school for professional education. This year the bank enrolled 16 first year students in school which brings their total enrollment to 222. Joining this group are six bankers from Bajio bank which is headquartered in Leon, Mexico. This bank now has 21 enrolled. Joining the list of Mexican banks participating in the school this year is a relatively new bank, Banco Base, which is located in Monterrey. This bank sent 3 students to the Class of 2020 for a total of 10 students.

GSBLSU Logo Shirt Day

Upon arriving on campus Sunday members of the Junior and Senior classes received handsome GSBLSU golf shirts which were designed by the class officers, and paid for by your class dues! Your officers have asked that you wear the shirts on **Monday** of next week to be identified as an upperclassman. You are asked to wear your "class t-shirt" this Friday.

Lost & Found Service

Most years we end up finding more stuff than has been reported as missing. Just notify the ECA desk of your loss or drop off what you may have found. We collect all of that at GSB headquarters at the Lod Cook Hotel. It never fails that somebody leaves an expensive calculator in a classroom. When the sun comes out, umbrellas are also abandoned. We suggest you may want to tape your name on anything of value so we can find you if we find it.

Packages and Mail

Make sure you stop by the ECA Activity Center room 2 for mail and messages. We already have a few packages for students. We will try to notify you by email if you have a package.

What NOT to Wear

Carl Chaney, who appears to be an Ole Miss graduate, is decked out in attire fit only for an outing in Oxford, MS. In spite of objections from most of his class he continues to dress in the colonial's attire. The flag is waved when he wishes to stress a point in Bank Regulatory Law.



Who are the Faculty?

At this session you are being taught by fifty-five faculty members from seventeen states plus Mexico. All of our sponsoring states, with the exception of West Virginia, are represented on our faculty as well as four non-sponsoring states. The faculty is a diverse, and highly experienced group of individuals.

Bankers make up 45% of the faculty and the next largest group is consultants. But 53% of the consultants are former bankers and if this group is added to the "banker" category, bankers account for 59% of the faculty. Academics are 21% of the faculty and 19% of your teachers are "other" which includes regulators, attorneys and other professionals.