

THE RED STICK TIMES

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BANKING AT LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29, 2019

The end of the 2019 session is in sight and several VIPs will be arriving on campus to help bring the session to a successful conclusion. We anticipate that the ceremony will take about 30-45 minutes, with a small reception after.

BMSIM TEAMS MUST ANSWER STOCKHOLDERS

The performance of the BMSim banks will be judged this year by: Guy Labbe, SVP consultant at First National Bank in Jeanerette, LA; Graham Thompson, Consultant and retired from Whitney Bank, Baton Rouge, LA and John Womack, Retired from Arvest Bank, Little Rock, AR. Selection of the winning banks will be based on stock price, ROA, ROE, goal setting, and presentation. The winners will be recognized at the graduation ceremony on Friday.

REMINDER:

The Student Advisory Council is having a luncheon meeting with GSB officials TODAY at 11:30 in the Patrick F. Taylor building near Panera Bread. This is our last chance to talk about student reactions to various aspects of the 2019 session.

CLASS PHOTOS

A new tradition of class photos will be take place on the PFT atrium STEPS as follows:

- Senior Class 11:30 am TODAY.

**TENTATIVE DATES FOR THE 2020 SESSION:
MAY 24 – JUNE 5, 2020**

TODAY @ GSB

11:30 am	Senior Class Photo
11:45 am	Student Advisory Meeting
4:45 pm	1st Year Case Groups
4:45 pm	3rd Year BMSim

BANK STUDY PROJECTS

Freshman and Junior bank study projects are posted on the LSU Moodle website. You should have received an email from LSU to login to the site. If you have not setup your Moodle login please email corinne@gsblsu.org. When you get back to your bank, print these projects.

Bank Study Projects must be uploaded to Moodle by midnight by the 15th of the month due. Your projects will be graded and returned to you electronically for the first time. If you feel the grader has erred in the evaluation, you have **two weeks** to request a re-grade which must be sent to the office. It seems that most re-grades involve papers that the writers want to upgrade from a "C" to a "B" or a "B" to an "A".

TRASHY BANKERS

Those in charge of the ECA apartments report that in recent years bankers left a considerable amount of trash in their rooms upon their hurried departure. To assist in the cleaning chore this year, each apartment will receive a few large garbage bags Thursday to use in discarding trash. LSU cannot donate these discarded items. All items should be removed as LSU will charge \$50 per bedroom if the apartment is not like you found it. Dumpsters and recycle bins are available around the complex for your use. We would greatly appreciate your helping with the "turn around" of the apartments to accommodate LSU students who arrive Sunday for the summer term. The housing staff does an excellent job in preparing for our arrival, and we want to do our part in easing their chores.

TO APP OR TO NOT APP

The GSB app created for this session has been used extensively by the students. We have 725 active users since the beginning of the session. In addition to logistical facts all faculty members have made their course outlines available on this media.

GSB ALUMNI TOTAL SOARS TO 16,350

With the Class of 2019, the Graduate School of Banking will have a grand total of 16,350 alumni. Here is a state-by-state count of graduates from our 15 co-sponsoring state bankers associations and Mexico since the first Class of '52. The "Other" category includes those who hail from non-sponsoring states, banking regulators, and a few miscellaneous grads. The following are listed in descending order.

Louisiana	2,228
Tennessee	1,765
Mississippi	1,747
Georgia	1,674
Florida	1,672
Alabama	1,472
South Carolina	901
Kentucky	865
Arkansas	856
North Carolina	772
Texas	656
Virginia	473
Missouri	335
Other	305
Oklahoma	231
Mexico	228
West Virginia	170

The Graduate School of Banking fills an important role in advanced professional education and personal career development. Our best advertisement is word-of-mouth endorsement from current and past students to others who might be interested in attending. You would be doing your friends and associates a good turn by urging them to consider enrollment. Recent surveys indicate that most bankers attending the session asked a graduate about the School before enrolling. Information and applications are available from the school office and on the gsblsu.org website.

EVALUATIONS

Your evaluations of the School, its faculty, and operations are very important to the administration. Each faculty member is given his/her score which is compared to the class high and low scores. All written comments are typed and classified by course, food service, apartments, etc. This information is made available to the Executive Committee which meets in July to initiate plans for the next session. We appreciate your cooperation in completing the Evaluation forms (scantron and written comments) and sharing your thoughts regarding school improvements.

SWEETNESS

The School is a guest on the LSU campus for two weeks each year and its success requires the cooperation of many LSU employees. This cooperation is cheerfully offered each year and the school administration expresses its appreciation by giving boxes of candy to about 50 people on campus. Among the departments receiving this modest gift is the LSU Union, Facility Services, Lod Cook Hotel, the Rec Center, Campus Police and Parking, the Club @ Union Square, Registrar's Office, LSU Dining and Residential Life. We GREATLY appreciate the assistance of these departments.

NO ONE GOES HUNGRY

The folks who operate the 459 Cafeteria do an outstanding service for bankers. The selection of food is excellent, preparation outstanding and the service on the line is exceptional. Bankers have remarked that they would like to add to their staff employees like these who are capable of delivering quality service to their customers. The School recognizes and greatly appreciates the 459 staff.

P.S. We will miss the soft serve ice cream!

REAL WORLD STUFF

The bank simulation teams are experiencing management problems frequently encountered in the real world and are finding it difficult to manage a bank successfully. They are selling a true business cycle, ups and downs, and economic indicator which point in different directions. What to do?

Apparently some are doing the wrong thing since the examiners have, as of mid-session, collected \$9.5 million in fines. They appreciate the banks funding partially their unfunded retirement system.