

Simmons School of Management MBA Update*

November 22, 2006

The mission of the Simmons School of Management is to educate women for power and leadership. Our management degree programs are designed to enhance the competence and confidence of women as they begin, further, or change their careers. Simmons students receive high quality management education in the functional, strategic, and behavioral aspects of business. Integral to our program is the recognition of the role of gender in organizations.

MBA OFFICE UPDATES

Note from Mary D.

Thanksgiving is this week and I have seen lots of grins all day and night as students, faculty, and staff look forward to a couple of days off. Remember, enjoy the holiday, get some sleep, and gear up for the last three weeks. Don't spend all the time doing schoolwork. You all have worked very hard and have definitely earned a rest!!

Quote of the Week

"In essence, if we want to direct our lives, we must take control of our consistent actions. It's not what we do once in a while that shapes our lives, but what we do consistently." -- *Anthony Robbins*

Spring Registration Information and Updates

- If you have not registered yet for the Spring semester, please do so by Friday, November 24th, as AARC will close at 9:00am that morning.
- Finance (A) will only have one section now in January, and it will be taught by Indra. Another section of Finance was needed on the UG campus and Hugh will be teaching over there in the spring, but back to teach Advanced Finance this summer!!
- Entrepreneurship is full as of today and a waiting list has been started.
- Public Speaking has one more slot as of today and will start a waiting list as well.
- Internships have just been voted by the Curriculum Committee and the faculty to be a credit-bearing elective for the spring and summer terms. Internships will be two credits of electives.
- There was an error on the Spring 2007 synopsis. GSM 450 is NOT a pre-requisite for GSM 441 LGA.

Schedule Reminders for the Week of November 27th- December 2nd

- Growth Strategies (B), November 30th-December 2nd
- Growth Strategies Dinner, Thursday, November 30th
- International Student Meeting, December 1st, 12:30pm
- Econ (A) Review #4, Saturday, December 2nd, 10:00am-12:00pm

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MBA Office Coverage for Thanksgiving Week

- MBA Office closed on Thursday and Friday, November 23rd and November 24th

Spring Course Material Information

Information about Spring course materials was emailed out this week to all SOM students, and can be found online at: <http://my.simmons.edu/som/resources/packs.shtml>

If you have questions about a book or coursepack for a class, please contact Carolyn in the MBA Office at carolyn.bogle@simmons.edu. If you have questions about online ordering, please contact the Simmons College Bookstore at 617.521.2054. **Please note:** all online orders placed for SOM students will be processed mid-December, so please disregard any message from the Bookstore that makes reference to a January ship date.

A Special ODAR Thank You to SOM Student Janet Takaringwa '07

The Office of Development and Alumnae Relations would like to thank Janet Takaringwa '07 for volunteering her time to make calls with other volunteers at the 2006 Fall Phonathon. Janet's enthusiasm and dedication added a lot to the Phonathon efforts and brought the school closer to the fund raising goal for the year! Thanks again Janet, you really made a difference!

Join the School of Management Alumnae Association Board: An opportunity to work with INCREDIBLE WOMEN!

Apply by November 21st, 2006.

The Simmons School of Management Alumnae Association (SOMAA) is recruiting for two student representatives (one full time, one part time) from the Class of 2007 to sit on the Board as non-voting members.

Student Representatives are critical to the Alumnae Association as they represent the interests of current students, SOMAA's pre-alumnae constituents.

The Board of Directors is the leadership of the Alumnae Association. SOMAA's goal is to ensure all alumnae maintain a sense of community and have opportunities to continue their personal and professional development. Not only does the Alumnae Association serve alumnae but it also supports and advances the SOM.

Your time commitment as a student representative includes attendance at all board meetings. These are held monthly as conference calls and in person at the SOM once per quarter. Additionally you have the opportunity to work on a committee or on a special project. Your term would begin in January 2007.

This is an excellent opportunity to gain experience working on a board of directors, become involved and connected with the alumnae network, and have a voice in the direction of the Alumnae Association.

If you are interested or have questions about this position, please contact Christina Martin '06 at Christina.Martin@fmr.com. To apply, please email a copy of your resume and a statement of interest to

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Christina.Martin@fmr.com by November 21st, 2006. A nominations committee member will contact you directly.

Professional Single Mothers Group

Stephanie Richardson '06 has developed a Yahoo group that she's billing as a professional single parent group. The email address is prosingleparent@yahogroups.com. If you know anybody who might like to participate, she is open to all applicants, including women from outside the SOM community.

CAREER SERVICES UPDATES

Interested in Partnering with Career Services?

We are delighted to announce the forming of the first-ever Career Services Student Task Force. The charge for this task force is to be both thinking partners and ambassadors for the Career Services Office (CSO). Ideally, we'd like to form a group of 5-8 students who represent the full-time, part-time, and 2-year day tracks. The time commitment would be monthly meetings (beginning in January), most likely held from 5-5:50pm. In addition, we'd like to have occasional email dialogues to gain your valuable feedback on CSO initiatives, and to learn what you are hearing amongst your fellow students from a "career interest/job search" standpoint.

Please contact Lisa Toby at lisa.toby@simmons.edu by November 23rd if you are interested in participating, or if you would like more information.

Reminder! - Career Services Student Survey

If you haven't had the chance yet, please take a moment to complete the career services student survey you received on Friday, November 10th via your SOM email address. Thank you in advance for your participation, we greatly value your feedback.

You can also view and complete the survey at:

<http://www.zoomerang.com/survey.zgi?p=WEB225UKU7KDJ9>

Outside Networking and Career Events

Contact Lisa Toby (lisa.toby@simmons.edu) in Career Services for financial assistance opportunities with admittance fees to career events.

- ***Association of Latino Professionals in Finance and Accounting (ALPFA)***
ALPFA is a not-for-profit organization whose mission is to be the leading Latino professional association dedicated to enhancing Opportunities for CPA's, accountants, finance and related professionals and students while expanding Latino leadership in the global workforce. 50% of the Boston Chapter of ALPFA are women! Get involved. For more information, please go to www.alpfa.org.

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- ***The National Asian American Professionals Organization***
<http://www.naaapboston.org/Membership.do>

Partnerships

Simmons SOM has been accepted as an Alliance of Bridgestar (<http://partners.bridgestar.org/simmons/>), a non profit organization that got its start via Bain Consulting. Bridgestar offers nonprofit board and senior leadership opportunities for Simmons students and alumnae.

Recent Job Postings - Visit Career Connect

- Coop/Internship in Human Resources - W.R. Grace & Co
- Reporting Analyst-Commission Junction - A ValueClick company
- Program Manager-Commission Junction - A ValueClick company
- Business Development/Account Executive - AIR Worldwide
- Financial Analyst, Operations/R&D - Molecular Medicine Business - Perkin Elmer Life and Analytical Sciences

As a reminder, please keep your [Career Connect](#) profile up to date. If you forgot your username and password, please contact julie.barenholtz@simmons.edu or 617.521.3857. Please do not re-register yourself as past information about you will be lost. Any questions about Career Connect? Please do not hesitate to contact Julie.

Interesting Career Articles

The 50 Women to Watch: A New Crop of Leaders

A new crop of women leaders have moved into the corner offices of some of the world's biggest companies. And while the overall numbers aren't impressive, looking behind those totals reveals some significant signs of change.

PepsiCo Inc. recently tapped former president and chief financial officer Indra Nooyi as its new CEO. Earlier this year, Archer-Daniels-Midland Co., the grain-processing giant and largest U.S. producer of corn-derived ethanol fuel, recruited former Chevron Corp. executive Patricia Woertz as the first outsider to hold the company's top job.

And Naina Lal Kidwai, group general manager and country head of HSBC Holdings PLC in India, is leading the bank's efforts to reach more of India's growing middle class.

Please see the complete article at: <http://www.careerjournal.com/myc/diversity/20061120-hymowitz.html>

Networking During the Holidays

Does the concept of increased socializing time during the holidays fill you with anticipation? Dread? Whether it's the office party, a more formal affair with customers and their significant others, or a family get-together, the time to meet and mingle has come. You have two choices, be like Rip Van Winkle and go into a deep sleep until January, or see holiday socializing as an opportunity for growth and giving. What does "growth and giving" have to do with all of these parties? That's where the fun begins.

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Please see the complete article at: <http://itmanagement.earthweb.com/career/article.php/924901>

SOM LIBRARY UPDATES

Thanksgiving Holiday Library Hours

Happy Thanksgiving from the Library. Have a nice break!

The library will be unstaffed starting at noon on Wednesday, November 22nd through Sunday, November 26th. The library will be staffed again on Monday, November 27th at 8:00am.

Worth a Read...

If you would like to take a break from your studies, check out our new book display of featured titles including Mommy Wars: Stay-At-Home and Career Moms Face off on Their Choices, Their Lives, Their Families, Freakonomics: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything, and Blink: The Power of Thinking Without Thinking.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES UPDATE

End of the Semester Social Event

The Simmons School of Management MBA program Social Club, Early Bird Club, and the Women of Color Club are pleased to announce the date, time, and location of End of the Semester Social Event!

Date: Thursday, December 14th

Time: 5:00pm

Location: Lir Irish Pub, 903 Boylston Street, 2nd Floor (<http://www.lironboylston.com/>)

Cost: lite appetizers included, drinks on your own

This event is open to all MBA students and their significant others (21+), faculty, and staff.

Please RSVP to creary@simmons.edu by Wednesday, December 6th if you plan on attending and indicate if you are bringing a guest.

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