

Dear Matthew,

On behalf of the Business School and Information Systems Faculty, we want to sincerely thank you and the CITI executive board for supporting our 3rd Annual Business Executive Panel Event on “Become a Business Leader with an Edge.” With six prominent CIOs on the panel, this was truly a unique event. Over 90% of students who attended the event rated the effectiveness, quality of presentation, and content from good to excellent. Based on tickets and gifts given away at the event, we had more than 150 students from the Business School who attended the event.

The students were overwhelmed with the generosity of our panelists in giving gifts and for their valuable time. More than 60 questions were received from the students during the event. As you know, with your help at our May Board Meeting, the planning for this event started at the beginning of this year with weekly conference calls for the last two months. Judging by the many comments and feedback, such as the ones listed below, it was well worth our efforts:

“Great insights, I especially enjoyed suggestions for entry level positions and moving up the ladder”

“Very well done... Overall I found this very informative; fantastic job”

“This was a very good panel discussion. I would have never thought of integrating IT and HR”

“I have attended this event the past two years - This one was the best. The panel members provided great, specific examples and information”

“It was exceptional. The panel was extremely diverse and experienced with their field, and the time was very well spent. I look forward to attending more of these events in the future.”

“The speakers were excellent and very interesting. They provided me with a different perspective of information systems that I have never had before.”

We would like to express many thanks and appreciations to CITI Executive Board and the CIO Panelists for dedicating their valuable time. Microsoft, the Career Center, and our Information Systems Association Club (ISA) sponsored the event. We thoroughly value all your contributions.

Sincerely,

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