COMMERCIAL LENDING SCHOOL



April 27–May 2, 2025 at SMU Cox



Sunday, April 27, 2025

2–2:30 p.m. Welcome and Orientation
Merrill J. Reynolds Jr., Managing Director of Executive Education, SWGSB at SMU Cox
2:30–4:30 p.m. Banking, The Economy, and Credit Outlook
Edmond J. Seifried, Ph.D., Chief Economist, SWGSB at SMU Cox
5–6 p.m. Reception

Monday, April 28, 2025

8–9:45 a.m. Credit Culture

David L. Kemp, President, Bankers Management, Inc.

9:45–10 a.m. Break 10 a.m.–12 p.m. Financial Statement Analysis Overview and Understanding Cash Flow

William T. Chittenden, Ph.D., President and CEO, SWGSB at SMU Cox

12–1 p.m. Lunch

1-2:45 p.m. The Lender/Borrower Relationship David L. Kemp, President, Bankers Management, Inc.

2:45–3 p.m. Break

3–3:45 p.m. Bank Loan Simulation Orientation

Merrill J. Reynolds Jr., Managing Director of Executive Education, SWGSB at SMU Cox, and Matthew Earl, Principal, Reynolds Williams Group 3:45–4:45 p.m. Simulation Breakout 1

Merrill J. Reynolds Jr., Managing Director of Executive Education, SWGSB at SMU Cox, and Matthew Earl, Principal, Reynolds Williams Group 4:45–5:30 p.m. Simulation Bid Session 1

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Tuesday, April 29, 2025

8–9 a.m. Critical Borrower Conversations and Customer Engagement
Marci Armstrong, Ph.D., Director, Brierley Institute for Customer Engagement, SMU Cox School of Business
9–9:15 a.m. Break
9:15–11:15 a.m. Underwriting the Loan Request
Matthew Earl, Principal, Reynolds Williams Group
11:15 a.m. -12 p.m. Developing the Credit Memo
Matthew Earl, Principal, Reynolds Williams Group
12–1 p.m. Lunch
1–2 p.m. Developing the Credit Memo (continued)
Matthew Earl, Principal, Reynolds Williams Group
2–4 p.m. Presentation Skills for Loan Officers
Jason Rife, Professor of Practice in Management and Organizations, SMU Cox School of Business
4–4:15 p.m. Break
4:15–5 p.m. Simulation Breakout 2
Merrill J. Reynolds Jr., Managing Director of Executive Education, SWGSB at SMU Cox, and Matthew Earl, Principal, Reynolds Williams Group

5-5:45 p.m. Simulation Bid Session 2

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Wednesday, April 30, 2025

8-9:45 a.m. C&I Lending

Mike Mauldin, F. Scott Dueser Director of the Excellence in Banking program, Rawls College of Business, Texas Tech University

9:45–10 a.m. Break

10 a.m.–12 p.m. CRE Lending

Brandey Wimberley-Orsag, Executive Vice President, Chief Lending Officer, Jefferson Bank

12–1 p.m. Lunch

1–2 p.m. Banking Small Business

Mike Mauldin, F. Scott Dueser Director of the Excellence in Banking program, Rawls College of Business, Texas Tech University

2–2:15 p.m. Break

2:15-4 p.m. Compliance

Leah Hamilton, Director of Education Services and Compliance Advisor, Sentry Advisors

4-4:45 p.m. Simulation Breakout 3

Merrill J. Reynolds Jr., Managing Director of Executive Education, SWGSB at SMU Cox, and Matthew Earl, Principal, Reynolds Williams Group 4:45–5:30 p.m. Simulation Bid Session 3

Merrill J. Reynolds Jr., Managing Director of Executive Education, SWGSB at SMU Cox, and Matthew Earl, Principal, Reynolds Williams Group

Thursday, May 1, 2025

8–10 a.m. Underwriting Case Study 1
Matthew Earl, Principal, Reynolds Williams Group
10–10:15 a.m. Break
10:15 a.m.–12 p.m. Sales Training/Developing the Right Culture
Tim Tivis, Owner/CEO, Pinnacle Training Group
12–1 p.m. Lunch
1–2 p.m. Learn to Lead
Tim Tivis, Owner/CEO, Pinnacle Training Group
2–2:15 p.m. Break
2:15–4:45 p.m. Loan Portfolio Management
Matthew Earl, Principal, Reynolds Williams Group

Friday, May 2, 2025

8–9:30 a.m. A Conversation with the Regulators
9:30–9:45 a.m. Break
9:45–11 a.m. Simulation Review and Debrief
Merrill J. Reynolds Jr., Managing Director of Executive Education, SWGSB at SMU Cox, and Matthew Earl, Principal, Reynolds Williams Group

Schedule subject to change. All events are business casual. Evenings are at your leisure.



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