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CEREMONY

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24 EMBA

Guests Arrive

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Edward J. Frey Dean
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Gautam Kaul

Robert G. Rodkey Collegiate
Professor of Business Administration

Matthew Lehman

Los Angeles Executive MBA Class Speaker

Andrew Johnson

Ann Arbor Executive MBA Class Speaker

Recognition of Students

Close of Ceremony

Candidates for Master of Business Administration Degree

Sajeed Ahmed
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Cyrus Akbarpour
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FACULTY SPEAKER

Gautam Kaul is the Robert G. Rodkey Collegiate Professor of Business Administration at the Ross School of Business, University of Michigan. Gautam graduated from the Graduate School of Business, University of Chicago, in 1985 with a PhD in finance. Gautam has published extensively in the top journals in finance on topics covering a wide spectrum of finance. He was awarded the Senior Faculty Research Award for sustained, exceptional, and continuing contributions to scholarly research in the field of business, and noteworthy contributions to building and maintaining a strong research environment at RSB.

Gautam has taught at the undergraduate, MBA, Global MBA, EMBA and PhD levels, and executives all over the world. Gautam has been awarded multiple teaching awards, including the 2009 Victor L. Bernard Leadership in Teaching Award. Gautam has had extensive administrative experience. Among other responsibilities, he has served as Chair of the Finance Department, as Associate Dean of Research & IT, and has served on the Executive Committee for several years. He is the founding Managing Director of the Social Venture Fund (SvF) housed in the Samuel Zell and Robert H. Lurie Institute of Entrepreneurial Studies. More recently from 2012-2018, Gautam served as the Special Counsel for Digital Education at the University of Michigan. Gautam has been offering multiple Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) on Coursera and edX.

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MATTHEW LEHMAN

LA STUDENT SPEAKER

Matthew Lehman is the General Manager at Fairmont Miramar Hotel & Bungalows, the iconic 297 guestroom property located on the bluffs overlooking the Pacific Ocean in Santa Monica, California.

Born and raised in Pennsylvania, Matthew moved to Los Angeles to pursue a career in entertainment. A passion for food and wine kept him returning to the restaurant industry, which became an earnest career in 1999 at the Maple Drive Restaurant in Beverly Hills. After stops in restaurants in Hollywood and Bel Air, Matthew joined the Peninsula Beverly Hills in 2006. He began with the team at Fairmont Miramar Hotel & Bungalows in 2008, occupying several positions including Creative Director and Director of Operations. During this time he led ongoing renovations of the property and development of new food and beverage concepts, including FIG Restaurant and The Bungalow.

Matthew is a graduate of The Pennsylvania State University. He currently serves on the board of Santa Monica Travel & Tourism, is the chair of the Tourism Marketing District, and an active member of the Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary Club.

Matthew lives in Los Angeles with his wife, Sandra, and daughters, Ava and Colette, where you can frequently find him trying his own hand in the kitchen. He is an avid musician and sports fan, and an abhorrent golfer.

ANDREW JOHNSON

AA STUDENT SPEAKER

Andy is Executive Vice President, Chief Legal Officer, and Secretary of 3D Systems Corporation (NYSE: DDD), a global provider of 3D printers, materials, software, on demand manufacturing services and digital design tools. In addition to his legal responsibilities, Andy is a member of the Executive Leadership Team and leads the Export Compliance Team.

Andy served as Interim President and Chief Executive Officer of 3D Systems from October 2015 to April 2016. Previously, he served as General Counsel and Assistant General Counsel. He began his legal career at Cadwalader Wickersham & Taft and was an Associate in the Capital Markets group at Hunton & Williams prior to joining 3D Systems in 2006.

Andy serves on the board of Reverb, a nonprofit aimed at uniting musicians and fans through social causes and sustainable environmental practices. He also runs a record label called BleedHound Records and enjoys all things related to Michigan football.

Originally from Grand Rapids, Andy and his wife, Caryn, live in Fort Mill, South Carolina where they are raising their daughters, Elyse and Lauren. Andy received his BA from Miami University and JD from the University of Virginia.



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