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From Theory to Practice

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What Women Executives Must Know to Close the C-Suite Gap

This unique and experiential program is designed for senior-level women executives who aspire to the C-Suite. The program combines the world’s leading business thinkers from Michigan Ross School of Business with leading business practitioners for an unprecedented educational experience.

“Ascending to the C-Suite: From Theory to Practice” immerses you in specialized subjects whose mastery is critical for C-Suite executives yet often represent gaps in professional development for women leaders. Topics are taught with a 360-degree view by pairing renowned Michigan Ross faculty with global business leaders.

Participants will dive deep into key business topics and leadership practices while hearing unfiltered insight and first-hand stories from executive role models. Participants will share a similar breadth and depth of experience in a learning environment that will foster strategic connections and relationships beyond the classroom.

Topics that will be covered in depth include business strategic and financial acumen, social styles, positive leadership, persuasion and influence, crisis communication, and true networks.

PROGRAM BENEFITS

• Return to your current role armed with an action plan that provides you with the strategic directions needed to successfully climb to the next leadership level in your organization
• Create a legacy statement to drive your future
• Gain a deeper understanding of business acumen including strategy and finance
• Further develop skills in persuasion and influence, crisis communications and negotiations
• Capitalize and more deeply understand your network and how to further expand your professional relationships
• Be inspired by leading role models who have ascended to the C-Suite through your participation in a combination of lectures, interactive sessions, and leadership exercises that seamlessly blend academic and practical learning
WHO SHOULD ATTEND:
This program is recommended for participants who have a minimum 15 years prior leadership experience and may also include:
• Organizational positions that are one-to-two levels below C-Suite
• Executives with a consistent track record of career growth through promotions
• Current successor candidates to C-Suite executives
• Women business entrepreneurs with sustained business growth and success

PROGRAM STRUCTURE
This dynamic program features a diverse group of faculty and executive speakers. It attracts participants from a wide variety of industries, organizations, and countries. The fast-paced learning environment fosters collaboration, dialogue, and introspection. Program topics will be presented through a combination of action-learning activities, simulations, group discussions, team exercises, lectures, case studies and projects. This program is customized to participants’ unique, personal, and current leadership challenges.

DAY 1
• Welcome and introduction to the course
• Team building activity – personal artifact
• Introduction to business, strategy and financial acumen
• Social styles activity
• The science of success
• Welcome dinner with a panel of executives

DAY 2
• Business, strategy and financial acumen continues
• Business and crisis communications
• Free evening

DAY 3
• Negotiation skills
• Positive leadership
• Overnight experience
• Core stories and being who you are

DAY 4
• Take a tour of CoLab: Robert Bosch’s Innovation Center
• True networks
• Networks and their power
• Celebration dinner and executive speaker

DAY 5
• Persuasion and influence
• Your leadership legacy
• Creation of a real-world legacy
• Graduation ceremony

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FACULTY AND EXECUTIVE SPEAKERS

At Michigan Ross, faculty have collectively authored hundreds of articles and dozens of books. They travel the world, sharing their expertise with Fortune 100 companies in virtually every sector. They’re prolific thinkers and creators of revolutionary studies and frameworks. Most importantly, they are determined and dedicated to leveraging their extensive knowledge to help you succeed.

Inforum Executive Speakers are global business leaders at Fortune 500 companies who offer their real world insights and experiences at each stage of the curriculum. These senior executives generously share what they’ve learned about what works — and sometimes what hasn’t. Their stories of strategy, growth, crisis management and frontline corporate leadership bring the learning to life.

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Michigan Ross Executive Education was recently named a Top 10 global provider by the Financial Times. The FT survey examined the open enrollment programs offered at 75 schools, weighing factors from faculty to follow-up. Among the highlights, Ross excelled with unique course design, renowned faculty, and participants reporting new skills and learning to impact personal and organization performance. We offer 30+ diverse open enrollment offerings and numerous custom programs annually, serving more than 4,000 executives around the world.

Ross has locations in Hong Kong, Mumbai, Malaysia, Singapore, and Thailand and delivers programs globally wherever our partners request. We invite you to join us for any of our open enrollment or custom program offerings and to experience first-hand the Michigan Ross difference.

A WORLD-CLASS EXPERIENCE

We strive to make every aspect of your program a world-class experience. Our program directors work closely with faculty before, during, and after the program to ensure you achieve your objectives. Program managers facilitate a seamless transition between classroom and off-site activities and assist with anything you might need — ensuring your focus is on learning, not logistics.

For specific program questions or concerns contact Inforum’s Kristen Mercer at 313.567.0232, kmercer@inforummichigan.org or Michigan Ross at 734.763.1000, rossexeced@umich.edu.

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Fee Includes:
• Tuition
• Instructional materials
• All breakfasts, lunches and snack breaks
• Select dinners
• Overnight accommodations provided Wednesday night
• Program materials, assessments, and simulations

Fee is payable in advance in US dollars and is subject to change, Check our website for our Cancellation, Transfer and Substitution Policy, *This program does not qualify for any special pricing.

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“More than I expected was the magic that happened when you start to combine the research-based learning that comes with faculty and a world-class university, with the experience and the proven results that come with business leaders.”

-Vice President, Bosch Automotive Service Solutions

“Having a really unique opportunity to be with an all exclusive executive women program is priceless.”

-Managing Partner, Patina Solutions

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