Program Overview

Now in its fourth year, the 14-day field trip is intended to provide a broad overview of the myriad issues that face microfinance initiatives in today’s global marketplace. The trip will expose students to traditional and local village microfinance lending institutions, loan recipients and programs. There will visits to NGOs, international organizations, village banks and relevant credit and village microfinance program recipients (loans are typically not more than $100). The group will engage in conversations with villagers and in some of the indigenous villages, meet local social entrepreneurs and observe at local microfinance learning cultures.

Registration: Students may participate in the May trip for no-credit and/or Fall 2013 3-credit MGT 650 (or Summer 2013 3-credit BUS 699 Directed Studies - research paper). The trip and class are independent of one another, although taking both are synergistic. Application deadline is February 2013. Upon acceptance, immediately book airfare.

Faculty Lead: Dr. Dharm Bhawuk

Cities: Delhi, India and Dhaka, Bangladesh

Cost: Airfare (est. $2000), program expenses ($1700 includes lodging and ground), add 3-credit tuition if obtaining credit. Scholarships ranging from $1000 to $2000 are available to the first 8 qualified students.

Class Size: 10 students, first priority fulltime daytime (Fulltime daytime, CIMBA and JEMBA), then open to EMBA and part-time MBA students


Special Notes

1) The cities to be visited are classified as developing and the conditions may be considered crude, thus for the seasoned traveler who has the physical and mental ability to tolerate such conditions. Your accommodations will likely be comparable to dorms, and you will be traveling via van or mini-bus, possibly non-air-conditioned, on sometimes unpaved roads. Two informative guides to visit are the Center for Disease Control, travelers health, destinations (www.cdc.gov); and U.S. Department of State, travel, (travel.state.gov).

2) There is a possibility this program may not be offered due to limited enrollment, lack of funding, or other reasons.

3) Costs and dates are estimates and subject to change.

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Sample Agenda

Saturday, May 11, 2013
Depart Honolulu AM

Sunday, May 12, 2013
In route

Monday, May 13, 2013
Arrive Delhi AM
Hotel Regale Inn, Chittaranjan Park, New Delhi

Tuesday, May 14, 2013

Wednesday, May 15, 2013
Fair Trade Form India and Tara Projects. Connaught Place, Fair Trade Shops, Hansiba by SEWA and Mother Earth by Industree Craft. Dinner Naivedhyam, Hauz Khas Village

Thursday, May 16, 2013
Pardada Pardadi Educational Society: Anupshahr, Bulendshahr (Uttar Pradesh)

Friday, May 17, 2013

Saturday, May 18, 2013

Sunday, May 19, 2013
Depart New Delhi 12:25PM, Arrive Dhaka (Bangladesh) 3:15PM, Jet Airways 9W 272. Check in at Hotel.

Monday, May 20, 2013
Grameen Bank

Tuesday, May 21, 2013

Wednesday, May 22, 2013

Thursday, May 23, 2013
Urban Replication Program. Accounts and others. Departure from Grameen Bank.

Friday, May 24, 2013
Cultural tour Dhaka.

Saturday, May 25, 2013
Depart Dhaka AM

Sunday, May 26, 2013
Arrive Honolulu AM

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