Announcement of International Experience Program (IEP):

MBA (First year) Students

GTU has decided that our top students should have the opportunity to visit and study at a reputed International University during the **Summer Internship Program*** for 6 weeks. The following two subjects are chosen from the GTU curriculum which will be taught by the Canadian Professors at the **University of Alberta (UoA), Canada**.

Subjects:

1. International Business (840002 in GTU MBA)

2. Organization Strategy (Strategic Management 830001 in GTU MBA)

The top ranking **60 students** will be given the opportunity to learn two subjects of 2nd year MBA curriculum during June-July, 2011. The academic calendar for this batch will be designed in such a way that their next academic term does not suffer. The classes for those two subjects will be held every day at UoA Business School in Canada just like normal study. Some 50 sessions of 1 hour each (total 50 hours) for each subject are planned to be delivered at the UoA. At the end of the duration, the students will give the semester final examination for these two subjects. The result of these subjects will be given equivalent credit by GTU and students. Those who pass the UoA examination shall not have to re-learn and not have to appear in the GTU examination for these subjects, when they resume their study back at their parent college. Those who fail at UoA Exams shall have to appear for the exams of above mentioned two subjects at their respective colleges in Gujarat in the 2nd Year of MBA.

Duration: 6 Weeks in Canada: 6th June to 16th July 2011 (Depart from India 4th June, and Return to India 18th June, subject to VISA and Flight confirmation).

Cost: GTU will bear the teaching costs in Canada.

Cost to the Student: (in CAD = Canadian Dollars, or INR = Indian Rupees)

- 1. Travel Cost: Air Fare (Economy class return ticket) Rs. 61,500/- approximately. (GTU can help for subsidized group booking based on availability of seats).
- 2. Accommodation: CAD 30/- per day x 50 days = CAD 1500/- per student for separate room (Single room basis, no sharing is allowed).
- 3. Vegetarian Meals: Students shall have to do their own cooking for which refrigerator, gas/ electric stove and cooking/eating vessels kits shall be provided at US \$ 50 per student towards extra cost of usage and return. Grocery Store/General Stores are available within short walking distance (5 minutes) from the residence. A provision of CAD 15 per day x 50 days = CAD 750 per student is reasonably estimated towards food and grocery.
- 4. Monthly Pass: Cost of a monthly pass for the Rail Transit between Mac-Ewan University Residence(Hostel) and the University of Alberta CAD 85x2 months = CAD 170 , but would give participants access to all Rail and Bus transportation services throughout the city of Edmonton for two months , where the UoA Business School is located.
- 5. Shuttle Service Charge: CAD 18/- (one way x 2 ways = CAD 36/- per student) from Edmonton International Airport to UoA.
- 6. Internet Access in the Residence Rooms with no extra charges, however participants should bring their own RJ45 cable for hook up to their Laptops as the rooms do not have wireless internet.
- 7. CAD 50/- each student for extracurricular activities.
- In addition every student will have to bear the costs relating to (i) Obtaining the Passport, if he/ she does not have it, (ii) Obtaining the Visa: Applicable Visa Fee is Rs 6,200 approx. and (iii) Health and travel insurance. Rs 3,800/- per person (USD 2.5 lacs coverage for 60 days validity as per their rules).

SUMMARY OF COSTS:

Estimated Costs of India – Canada – India Travel: Rs 61,500 + Rs 6200 + 3800 = 71,500 approx. Plus CAD 2556 = say CAD 2600 x Rs 46.30/CAD = Rs 120,380 approx. TOTAL COST of Study Tour to Canada = Rs 191,880 = say Rs 2.00 Lacs approx.

GTU will get the VISA Invitation letter from UoA for these students and then they have to apply for the VISA. Please note that short listing of names or filling Application Forms does not guarantee VISA to a student. Those selected for this program shall have to **produce Valid Passport the latest by 12th May 2011**, failing which other student applicants with higher SPI in MBA Semester-I and Valid Passport shall be given priority.

Please contact your Principal/Director and apply on or before 30th April 2011. The Application Forms are sent to your Principal/ Director. All Principals/Directors are hereby informed to forward applications of those students only who are sure about participation and cost for attending IEP.

The Application Forms for the top ranking 600 students are sent to their respective colleges. GTU will be able to select maximum 60 top ranking students with Valid Passport and willingness to bear the personal cost of their international study tour as indicated in this document.

* Summer Internship Program (SIP)

The students undergoing IEP at UoA Canada shall prepare their SIP Report in Canada based on their academic studies of above two subjects, live experiences, personal observations within and outside UoA and overall learning in Canada during the same period. No separate SIP study or report shall be required in India by these students. These students shall submit their SIP Report in CD and 1 printed & bound Report within 1 week of coming back from Canada to their respective institutes/colleges. They shall be evaluated based on their SIP Report and Viva Voce as normally applicable to all MBA students.

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