IM853 India Field Seminar Application Procedure and FAQs

India is in the midst of extraordinary change, development, and growth. The country contains the most sophisticated of western technology, and companies fully competitive on a global level. At the same time, much of Indian infrastructure is underdeveloped or in decay and there are hundreds of millions of people living in extreme poverty. Nowhere are these intensely contradictory forces more apparent than in the health sector.

This field seminar will engage all students interested in understanding the complex dynamics of an emerging country, through the particularly telling lens of the health sector, and will include the chance to learn about the culture and values that underpin this great democracy and booming economy.



Use the code above to access the GPO electronic application for the India Field Seminar Applications for IM853 India Field Seminar will be accepted via electronic application beginning <u>Friday, April 26, 2013 at 7:00 a.m.</u>

- To apply go to http://smgworld.bu.edu/gpo/india-field-seminar-application/ or use the QR code to the left.
- Any applications submitted before 7 a.m. on April 26th will not be considered.

Evaluation Process

- Applications will be reviewed over a 2-4 week time period, and you will receive notification via e-mail of your enrollment status once a decision has been made.
- \$500 non-refundable deposit check (made payable to Boston University) must be submitted to the Graduate Programs Office within 48 hours of acceptance into the field seminar.
- If admitted, the GPO will manually register you for the 3-credit field seminar course.

Additional Considerations

IM853 is a Spring 2014 course, and the credit hours associated with it will therefore be included in your Spring 2014 credit maximums and tuition charges.

The field seminar is open to Full-Time MBA and PEMBA students. However, CHECK YOUR PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS against the dates of the seminar. In particular:

• <u>First Year MS·MBA students</u>: The dates of your winter intensives will present a conflict with the India field seminar. As an alternative, you may wish to consider the field seminars offered in May and June. (continued...)

- <u>First Year Full-Time MBA students</u>: The dates of your PL700 course will present a conflict with the dates of the India field seminar. Please contact your advisor about the possibility of taking an alternate section of PL700 during the spring semester.
- <u>PEMBA students</u>: All International Field Seminars require that students have completed a minimum of **16 GSM credits** as a pre-requisite. If you have any questions, please contact your academic advisor.

Program Costs

- <u>Program Fee</u>: \$4,000 Includes: Accommodations with breakfast each day; lunches included with program visits; in-country airfare; Transport to site visits; Guided tours; Special dinners
- <u>Other Costs</u>: Tuition (regular tuition for a 3-credit course); Airfare to Bangalore and return from Delhi (est. \$1,500); Other meals (est. \$450); Incidentals, gifts and entertainment

Frequently Asked Questions:

- Yes, this is a spring semester 3-credit course and provides credit towards graduation. The only tuition you pay is what you would pay for any course.
- You make your own flight arrangements to and from country. You may arrive early or leave late. You may use frequent flyer miles.
- We will provide access to our travel agent to provide group flight arrangements as requested and a group trip to the Taj Mahal as desired.
- Yes you will have both an intense learning experience and the time to explore on your own
- No, at this point we do not have scholarship funds and cannot reduce the fee.

For More Information:

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