

BA 480 “International Business, Leadership and Entrepreneurship”

There have been a few questions about this course. We will attempt to identify and answer some of the questions below:

Q: What is the basic format of this course?

A: This course begins on Saturday, July 4th, with a day of activities; attending Crabs baseball game, having a BBQ, and watching fireworks with Swiss students. The basic format of the first three weeks is class instruction four hours per day (generally 9-1) for four days per week. Two to three days each week will be events such as tours of businesses and activities (Kayaking on Humboldt Bay, etc.) scattered throughout the afternoons. Some weekend activities are also planned (such as rafting on the Trinity River and a day on the ocean).

For the final week of class, students will travel via bus to San Francisco, stopping at wineries along the way. Once in San Francisco, you will stay at the San Francisco Downtown Hostel. Tours to San Francisco businesses will take place during the week, with a final ‘good-by’ dinner to the Swiss students on Friday, July 31st. On Saturday, August 1st, you will return to Arcata.

Q: What is covered in the fees of \$1,200?

A: Besides covering the course tuition, the fees also cover the cost of attending events and activities, transportation to & from San Francisco, lodging during the final week in San Francisco, and some meals.

Q: How do I enroll?

A: Enrollment is by approval only. Applications are available in the office (Siemens Hall room 111) and online at http://www.humboldt.edu/~sbe/documents/BA480applicationmaterials_001.pdf. Approved students will receive a special registration form to take to the Extended Education office.

Q: Are applications still being accepted? What is the deadline to apply?

A: The class is limited to 25 students from HSU. Applications will be accepted as long as seats are available; as of April 24th, many seats are still available. Business students will be given preference, but soon we will open the applications to non-business majors. There are still seats available; apply soon if you are interested in enrolling in the class.

Q: When do I have to pay the fees?

A: When you actually take the special registration form to the Extended Education office, you will be required to pay the fees (\$1,200). We have set June 1 as the deadline for paying fees and registering. It is important that you apply soon even if you will wait until June 1 to register and pay.

Q: As a Special Session class through Extended Education; will it show on my transcripts and is there something about a limit to the number of units accepted by the university?

A: This course is a *Special Session* Extended Education course. This is different than Open University and the number of units is not limited. It will show up on your HSU transcript.

Q: May Financial Aid be applied to this course?

A: MAYBE! Normally, students taking regular Extension courses through Extended Education are not eligible for financial aid. **However**, if a student is taking a **Special Session** course through Extended Education, they might be eligible for financial aid. If interested, visit Financial Aid in the SBS Building room 231 or call them at (707) 826-4321. Make sure to be very clear that you are taking a **Special Session** course through Extended Education.

If you are eligible for Financial Aid, you can then come to the Office of Extended Education in the SBS Building room 211 and ask to fill out a "Fee Deferment Agreement". This form states that you are expecting Financial Aid to cover the costs of the Special Session course, however, if the financial aid does not come through or does not cover the entire cost, you are responsible for paying the outstanding balance. By signing this form, it allows Extended Education to register you for your Special Session course and allows Financial Aid to get started on distributing your financial aid.

Q: Can this course be substituted for a required course on my contract and count toward my degree objectives?

A: If your business option is in International Business, Management, or Marketing, it may likely be substituted for a required course. If your business option is in Finance or Accounting, it is not likely to be allowed as a substitute. Check with your advisor to be sure. We believe it will be a worthwhile experience for you whether or not you are able to substitute it for a required course.

ALSO: *HSU students who enroll in this course in summer 2009 will have first opportunity to participate in a follow-up course taught in Switzerland in Summer 2010.*