

Information Sheet for Bahamas Study Tour 2009

Courses: GEB 6365: Int'l Business Field Experience- Latin America and Caribbean: 3 Credits
ECO 4934: Int'l Economic Development of Latin America and Caribbean: 3 Credits

Course Term: Spring Semester 2009

Lecture Dates: Saturdays from 10:00 – 11:30am: Jan 24, Feb 7, Feb 21, Mar 21, Apr 4, Apr 25

Travel Dates: Saturday, February 28 – Wednesday, March 4, 2009

Trip and Course Directors: Dr. Rupert Rhodd and Dr. Eric P. Chiang

Pre-requisites: Sophomore standing (30 completed credits by the end of Fall semester 2008)

Cost: \$1,288 (this does not include FAU tuition costs). Cost includes airfare, hotel accommodations (double occupancy), tours, ISIC student card, daily breakfast, and two group dinners.

Course requirements: This course meets 6 times during the semester. Grades are based on:

- Course attendance
- Two homework assignments
- Trip report on the study tour

Course description: This course in international economics and business will allow students:

- to study the organizational framework related to resource allocation in the Bahamas, the role of the international economy through trade, finance, and multinational corporations, and cultural differences in business practices in the Bahamas.
- to gain a better understanding of how exchange rate markets operate, how business practices differ in developing countries, and the importance of international capital and labor flows, trade and comparative advantage to economic development.
- to learn via lectures from educators and practitioners, tours of multinational corporations and local firms, and visits to cultural sights and attractions.

Tentative Trip Itinerary:

Saturday, Feb 28: Morning departure from Fort Lauderdale to Nassau; Afternoon Lecture; Dinner

Sunday, Mar 1: Cultural Tours; Lecture; Paradise Island Tour

Monday, Mar 2: Company Visits

Tuesday, Mar 3: Company Visits

Wednesday, Mar 4: Company Visits; Afternoon return flight home

How to Apply: To register for this course, notify the course directors or visit undergraduate advising. To attend the trip, submit the completed application packet along with a non-refundable deposit of \$200.00 (payable to Florida Atlantic University). Registration for the trip is prioritized for students enrolled in the course; remaining spots will be filled on a first-come first-serve basis for qualified students. The balance of \$1,088 is due by January 16, 2009 (FAU reserves the right to adjust prices if needed). You must have a valid passport by the travel date.

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