

# 2011 Microfinance Field Study to South Asia (7 or 14 days)

## University of Hawaii—Shidler College of Business Thunderbird School of Global Management

### Program Overview

Now in its third 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 be 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.

**Faculty Lead:** Dr. Dharm Bhawuk

**Cities:** Delhi, India, and Dhaka, Bangladesh or either city separately

**Thunderbird Cost:** \$650 (lodging and ground transport) airfare and visa cost not included

**Dates:** India May 8 -14 and/or Bangladesh May 15 to 20, 2011.

### Program Questions

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### Special Notes

1. The cities to be visited are classified as

### Thunderbird Students Program Questions

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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 minibus, possibly non-air-conditioned, on sometimes unpaved roads. Two informative



guides to visit are the Center for Disease Control, traveler's health, destinations ([www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)); and U.S. Department of State, travel ([travel.state.gov](http://travel.state.gov)).

2. Costs and dates are estimates and subject to change.

### Curriculum Questions

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Dr. Jane Ives

### Registration and fee payments:

## 2011 Itinerary (as of 1 March 2011): Start Delhi via Newark

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Sunday, May 8, 2011	Dep EWR 8:30pm
Monday, May 9, 2011	Arr DEL 8:31pm. Transfer to Management Development Institute [MDI], Gurgaon (Haryana), India. Meharauli Road, Sukhrali, Gurgaon, 122 007 India. Contact Professor Neelu Bhullar, 91-124-4560191
Tuesday, May 10, 2011	To Be Scheduled
Wednesday, May 11, 2011	Breakfast. Dep from MDI 9:00am. Arr Fair Trade Forum-India 10:00am visit Tara Projects & FTF-I/Other Organizations. Lunch at FTF-I. 2:00pm visit MESH, New Delhi. 4:00pm visit Fair Trade shops at Rajiv Gandhi foundation. 6:30pm back to MDI. Dinner at MDI
Thursday, May 12, 2011	Breakfast at 6:00am. Travel to Pardada Pardadi Educational Society, Anupshahr, Bulendshahr (Uttar Pradesh) Lunch at Pardada Pardadi Late evening back to MDI
Friday, May 13, 2011	Breakfast at MDI 10:00am to 12:30pm Round Table Meeting at FTF-I Lunch Visit Fair Trade Shop, Kala aparajita, Quitab Enclave / Sanskriti Kendra, Anandgram, Gurgaon / or other places according to availability of time 7:00pm travel by bus to AGRA. Dinner on the way Overnight stay at AGRA (keep room at MDI, pack lightly for Agra)
Saturday, May 14, 2011	View Taj Mahal at Sunrise Breakfast Agra Fort, Lunch at Hotel, afternoon visit Pushpanjali, a Fair Trade Organization, visit their producer group Return by (Travelers) A C bus Dinner on the way
Sunday, May 15, 2011	9:30am Transfer to New Delhi Airport 12:25pm flight DEL to DHAKA (Bangladesh). Direct flight from New Delhi to Dhaka (Bangladesh), Jet Airways 12:25pm-3:15pm. (Fare Approx. INR 22000/USD 480). Grand Prince Hotel Dhaka Bangladesh, Paradise Plaza, Commercial Plot No-06 & 11, Block-B, Mirpur-1, Dhaka-1216, Bangladesh. Tel: 88-02-9012952, 88-02-8032245 Ext-0, 88-02-9012736.
Monday, May 16, 2011	Bangladesh Grameen Headquarters. 10.30am-12.30pm Briefing and Discussion at Grameen Bank Headquarters. 12.30pm-3:00pm Start for village and overnight stay at Fisheries Rest House. Open Lunch and Rest.
Tuesday, May 17, 2011	Grameen Bank Program, Grameen Fisheries Program, Higher Education loan recipient, entire day
Wednesday, May 18, 2011	Travel to Bogra. Visit Grameen Danone and eye care hospital and Zonal Office. 3:00pm start for Dhaka.
Thursday, May 19, 2011	8:00am-12:00pm Urban Micro-credit and Urban School Program 12:00pm-3:30pm Lunch and rest 3:30pm-5:00pm Debrief at Grameen Bank Headquarters 5:00pm Departure from Grameen Bank
Friday, May 20, 2011	Dep Dhaka Jet Airways Flt 271 9:20am Arr Delhi 11:20am Dep Delhi Continental CO83 10:50pm
Saturday, May 21, 2011	Arr EWR 4:25am Dep EWR 6:25am CO 448 Arr SFO 9:32am Dep SFO 10:56am CO6298 Arr HNL 1:14pm