TAMIU-Brazil: Sao Paulo Program 2006
MIS 4399/5399: Business Process Redesign
July 10th - August 12th

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This 4-week program offers an intense immersion into the hustle and bustle of one of the largest cities in the world, and certainly the largest city in South America. Sao Paulo. Conduct comparative business process redesign and systems development issues by class discussion with Brazilian students and visit international companies in Sao Paulo and Sao Jose dos Campos. The program director is Dr. Ned Kock. He has his Ph.D. in Management with a concentration in information systems from the School of Management Studies, University of Waikato, New Zealand. He is also a native of Brazil.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION
Texas A&M International University will offer an intensive academic summer program in Brazil from July 10th to August 12th, 2006. MIS 4399/5399: Business Process Redesign gives students an understanding of key issues involved in business process redesign in organizations. Students will be exposed to the Latin American and Brazilian culture while spending 2 weeks in Sao Paulo, Brazil. Students will be paired up with Brazilian students from IBMEC, a private business school, located in Sao Paulo. IBMEC students and local managers will participate in article-based discussions at the IBMEC campus, and program participants will visit 2 organizations in Sao Paulo (a manufacturing plant and a financial firm). They will also visit the Institute for Space Research in Sao Jose dos Campos.

EXCURSIONS/FIELDTRIPS
Students will take one field trip to a research institution in Sao Jose do Campus, a city located about 1 hour north of Sao Paulo. This trip is included in the program fees (Participants will be responsible for some of their meals).

trip abroad. On July 28th, students will fly from Laredo to Sao Paulo, Brazil. In Sao Paulo, classes will meet Monday through Thursday; on Fridays and weekends there will be time for excursions and free time. Students' grades will be based on their performance on a team project, midterm and final exams, and class participation. Active and thoughtful class participation is a key component of this course.

SCHOLARSHIPS
TAMIU students may apply for the International Education Fee Scholarship. Application deadlines for summer 2006 are: March 13 - March 31, 2006. Summer awards range between $500 and $1,500. Students need to meet the minimum requirement of a 2.5 GPA for undergraduate students, and a 3.2 GPA for graduate students. For additional information contact the Office of International Education at (956) 326 2565 or email us studyabroad@tamiu.edu.

PROGRAM PRE-REQUISITES
Undergraduates: 18 years or older, and completion of MIS 3310. Graduate: 18 years or older.
ACCOMMODATIONS
Students will be staying at a hotel in the Paraiso district of Sao Paulo. Students will be provided with double occupancy lodging and breakfast.

TRAVEL AND LEISURE
Students may continue traveling through Brazil and Latin America after the end of the program; however, the student must budget all costs on their own after this program is over.

PROGRAM COST
The cost for this program is $1,500. The program fees include hotel accommodation with breakfast, insurance, transportation and lodging for excursions, and a welcome and farewell dinner.

Round trip airfare to Sao Paulo (approx. $750) and tuition and fees (approx. $400) are not included in the program cost. Additional expenses such as passports, personal expenses, etc. are also the responsibility of the student.

COURSE DESCRIPTION
Students are expected to participate the entire 4-week program in order to get course credit. The first two weeks of class will be held in Laredo, Texas where students will be given their first assignments and be prepared for their

HOW TO APPLY
Attend any of the scheduled Summer Session 2006 presentations at the Office of International Education (check with OIE for presentation dates). At the presentation you will receive a Study Abroad Application and the International Education Fee Scholarship Application. The study abroad application is due to the Office of International Education by 1 February 2005.

PROGRAM FEES
A program deposit of $500 is due to the Office of International Education/Business Office by 5 p.m. March 15th, 2006. The remaining $1,000 of the program fees is due by 5 p.m. April 15th, 2004.

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