

Courses in Oklahoma
Monday, Dec 29, 2008 – Friday, Jan 10, 2009
with the Miami Nation of Oklahoma

During the winter break, 4 credit hours including ESP 490 (3) “Special Topics in Entrepreneurship – with the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma” and BUS 499 (1) “Culture, History, and Economics of the Miami Nation”

Additional **optional** course, MGT 499 (1 credit) “Cross Cultural Management Topics of Native American Subcultures” will involve reading and critiquing a series of articles and writing a detailed research paper.

- Hands-on interdisciplinary business analysis of small businesses owned by the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma. Evaluate all business functions including marketing, finance & accounting, management & organization, entrepreneurship and information systems.
- Earn credit which meets professional electives or entrepreneurship minor requirements.
- Perform field analysis, working in student teams. Report results to both the Miami Nation and to your class/professor.
- Apply problem-solving methodology by consulting selected small businesses.
- Learn about the culture of the Miami Nation and experience a small, unique nation (tribal) within a large nation’s (USA) political and legal system.
- Work with managers and professional business people employed by Miami Nation Enterprises (MNE, Inc.), a holding company chartered/incorporated by the Miami Tribe.
- Two-day field trip to experience Native American and Oklahoma culture.
- Lodging (about \$410 per person) in a local motel with free high-speed internet and breakfast. The Miami Tribe will provide many meals and other support. The total program fee (including all lodging) is estimated to be about \$500 per student. Because of lower than expected expenses last year, each student received a refund check for \$54.
- Last year’s fourteen students successfully used carpooling to/from Miami Oklahoma (650 miles from Oxford) about 11 hours drive each way.
- The Miami Nation has used many recommendations made by the student. Past students gave very positive comments about the courses/program.

Students pay Miami University tuition and fees similar to per credit hour summer cost. Some needs-based financial aid support is available. Enrollment is limited to about 16 junior/senior FSB students.

For more info: Dr. Joe Leonard, 9-4239, Dept. of Management, 313-D Laws, leonarjw@muohio