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SPRING 2006 MBA CASE COMPETITION WINNERS

The University of Houston-Victoria School of Business Administration is pleased to announce the winning teams from the Spring 2006 MBA Case Competition held on Saturday, May 6, 2006 at the University of Houston System Cinco Ranch campus in Katy, Texas.

The first place team, pictured below from left to right, included Cliff Aseltine, Danny McRea, Tejal Modi, Ajay Shukla, and Sean Sullivan. The second place team included David Woods, Correen Harrell, Jason Cummings, Jim Upchurch, and Deanna Lewis, and the third place team included Kazim Demir, Anthony Ikhimokpa, Dung Nguyen, Jackie Tauriello, and Christine Van Zandt .

Team rankings were based on a combination of the presentation scores and written case evaluations. This semester's winning groups were recognized at a reception following commencement on Saturday, May 13, 2006. Members of all three teams will be invited to serve as panelists at future case competitions.

The MBA Conference, which was held for the first time in December 2003, is the culmination of the MBA program. Students enrolled in Seminar in Strategic Management, the capstone course of the program, participate in the event. Central to the MBA Conference is the case competition, which provides MBA students with the opportunity to apply what they have learned in the MBA program to real-world business situations. Teams participating in the competition this spring prepared original business case analyses on Waste Management, Inc., the leading provider of comprehensive waste and environmental services in North America. The teams are evaluated on several criteria, including organization, subject knowledge, quality and use of visual aids, audience interaction, elocution, and teamwork. Because such a large proportion of UHV's MBA enrollment is now online, students often work in virtual teams, and the MBA Conference represents their first opportunity to meet their classmates. Participants report that the case preparation and presentation experience and the chance to interact with faculty and fellow students make this event worthwhile. Many UHV School of Business Administration faculty and MBA program alumni served as panelists for the case competition.

The Fall 2006 MBA Conference is scheduled for Saturday, December 2, 2006; the location will be announced soon. For additional information about the upcoming conference, please visit the SoBA website at www.uhv.edu/bus/conf.



MBA CONCENTRATIONS

Beginning this fall, students pursuing a strategic MBA degree will have the opportunity to select an academic concentration. The degree plan has been revised to accommodate a 12-hour block of electives. Students will be able to choose from a concentration in accounting, finance, general business, management, marketing, or international business.

Current MBA students interested in selecting a concentration should contact their advisor about updating to the new degree plan.

MS-EDE FELLOWSHIP

The University of Houston-Victoria School of Business Administration is pleased to announce the availability of a Graduate Fellowship in Economic Development and Entrepreneurship beginning Fall 2006. The recipient of the fellowship will work with faculty on research initiatives related to economic development and entrepreneurship.

The fellowship covers tuition and fees and includes a stipend of approximately \$2000 for the semester.

To be considered for this fellowship, you must:

- Be admitted to our Master of Science in Economic Development and Entrepreneurship program for Fall 2006;
- Submit a letter of application and a resume to the dean of the School; and
- Plan to enroll for at least 9 hours each semester.

All letters of application must be received no later than Friday, August 4th, 2006.

The graduate fellowship is renewable through program completion subject to continued full-time enrollment, maintenance of a GPA of 3.0 or higher, and satisfactory performance on fellowship assignments.

For more information regarding the graduate fellowship, visit our website at www.uhv.edu/bus or contact your advisor.

Don't miss out on this great opportunity...submit an application for the FELLOWSHIP today!

SOBA STAFF REORGANIZATION

The student services area in the School of Business Administration has recently been reorganized to more efficiently accommodate the needs of our business students.

Rhiannon Davila—formerly Degree Plan Counselor at the Victoria campus is now the International Student Service Coordinator at UHV. Rhiannon coordinates recruiting, admission and other student services issues for all SoBA international students. She also advises all business students at the Victoria campus.

Kristy Hennessey—formerly Recruitment Coordinator at the Sugar Land campus is now the Marketing/Recruitment Coordinator at UHSSL. Kristy develops and implements the SoBA marketing plan and budget and assesses the effectiveness of all SoBA marketing activities. She also recruits and advises all out-of-state business students, and advises business students at the Sugar Land campus.

Rosie McCusker—formerly Recruitment Coordinator at the Cinco Ranch campus is now the Senior Recruitment Coordinator at UHSCR. Rosie coordinates and supervises all SoBA recruitment activities, recruits business students in the Cinco Ranch area, and advises all business students at the Cinco Ranch campus.

Stacey Severovich—Stacey is new to the School of Business Administration! She is the Recruitment Coordinator at the Sugar Land campus. Stacey recruits SoBA students at Houston area corporations, community colleges, and service organizations.

Holly Verhasselt—formerly Student Access and Diversity Coordinator at the Sugar Land campus is now the SoBA Constituent Relations Coordinator at UHSSL. Holly coordinates SoBA student organizations, student activities, special student events, and career planning and placement activities. She also collects and analyzes program assessment data.

Please stop by to say “hello” next time you are near your campus! We look forward to continuing to provide excellent student services to you in the future.

MBA PREREQUISITE CHANGES

Beginning this fall, students may find that changes in course prerequisites have increased their scheduling flexibility. The table below lists several SoBA courses along with the new prerequisites which go into effect with the 2006-07 course catalog. Students who are following a degree plan issued before 2006-07 may continue to enroll in courses based on their fulfillment of the prerequisites listed in their catalogs, or may enroll based on their fulfillment of 2006-07 prerequisites.

Course	New Prerequisite
ACC 3313	ACCT 2301/2401 and ACCT 2302/2402
ACC 4321	ACC 3312 and ACC 4320 or ACC 3313 and ACC 4320
ACC 4331	ACC 3312 or ACC 3313
ACC 6352	ACC 6351
ACC 6371	ACC 4321 or consent of instructor and ACC 6351
ACC 6372	ACC 4311 or consent of instructor and ACC 6351
ACC 6373	ACC 6351
ACC 6377	ACC 6351
ECO 6300	ECO 6351
ECO 6361	ECO 6351 and QMS 6351
ECO 6367	ECO 6351
FIN 6300	FIN 6352 or concurrent enrollment in FIN 6352
FIN 6361	FIN 6352 or concurrent enrollment in FIN 6352
FIN 6362	FIN 6352 or concurrent enrollment in FIN 6352
FIN 6367	FIN 6352 or concurrent enrollment in FIN 6352
MGT 6300	MGT 6351 or consent of instructor
MGT 6352	Computer Literacy
MGT 6355	QMS 6351
MGT 6359	Completion of all required courses; MGT 6354 may be taken concurrently
MGT 6371	MGT 6351
MGT 6372	MGT 6351
MGT 6373	MGT 6351
MGT 6374	MGT 6351
MGT 6375	MGT 6351
MGT 6377	MGT 6351
MGT 6378	MGT 6351
MGT 6387	MGT 6351
MKT 6352	Graduate Standing

SBDC INTERNSHIP

The University of Houston-Victoria Small Business Development Center, in conjunction with the School of Business Administration, is now accepting applications for a paid internship. SBDC interns gain valuable professional experience evaluating new business opportunities, analyzing small business marketing plans, and evaluating small business financing alternatives, while applying written and verbal communication skills and working with specialized small business software.

The successful applicant must:

- Be enrolled in the BBA program at UHV;
- Live in Victoria or the surrounding areas;
- Enroll in MGT 4304 in Fall 2006; and
- Be prepared to work 120 hours during the fall semester (approximately 8 hours each week) in 4-hour increments (ex. 8-12 or 1-5)

To be considered for this opportunity, please submit a letter of interest, application (available online at www.uhv.edu/ofa/2003_forms/stu%20empl%20app.pdf), and resume to:

Dr. David Summers
University of Houston-Victoria
School of Business Administration
3007 North Ben Wilson
Victoria, TX 77901
SummersD@uhv.edu

Email submission is preferred.

FALL REGISTRATION

Fall classes begin August 21...new and returning students may register now! The searchable schedule can be accessed from our website at www.uhv.edu under "Course Offerings." To register for your desired course(s), click on the "Register, Pay and Check Grades" feature on the UHV homepage. You may use your SSN or your student ID number to log in. **Payment is due on or before noon on Friday, August 18.**

By accessing the full class waiting list, you may submit a request to be added to a full class if space becomes available. It can be accessed from the SoBA website at www.uhv.edu/bus/res.

IMPORTANT FALL 2006 DATES

As many of you already know, registration for the fall semester is well under way. If you have not registered for fall courses, you can do so online by visiting UHV's website at www.uhv.edu. Enrollment Services Online and a complete class schedule are available by clicking on the "Course Offerings" link.

Here are some additional dates to keep in mind for the fall semester:

Registration periods: Regular registration will continue until noon on Friday, August 18, 2006. The registration system will re-open for late registration on Monday, August 21 at 8:00 am through Friday, August 25 at 11:59 pm. Students who register during late registration will be required to pay additional late registration fees.

Fee payment deadlines: Fee payment will be available starting August 1, and the payment deadline is Friday, August 18 at noon. Students who have not paid at least the minimum amount due by noon on August 18th will be dropped from classes and will be required to re-register during late registration.

Applications for graduation: If you are planning to graduate during the Fall 2006 semester, applications for graduation are due by Friday, September 22. If you need application forms, please visit this website: http://www.uhv.edu/oar/Graduation_info.asp.

Drop/withdrawal dates: The last day to drop a course without receiving a grade is Tuesday, September 5th.

This is just a partial list of important dates for the fall semester. A complete university calendar is available here: <http://www.uhv.edu/oar/Calendar.asp>.



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Fall 2006 MBA Open Houses

A SoBA Open House is held at the Cinco Ranch location the last Wednesday of each month from 4 to 7pm, and at the Sugar Land location the second Wednesday of each month from 4 to 7pm. For more information, please go to: <http://www.uhv.edu/bus/adm/openhouse.asp>

Fall 2006 GMAT Sessions

A SoBA GMAT Session is held each month at one of the three University of Houston-Victoria campus locations: University of Houston-Victoria, UH System at Sugar Land, UH System at Cinco Ranch. For more information, please go to: <http://www.uhv.edu/bus/adm/gmat.asp>

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