

## ADDENDUM TO FALL 2008 - SUMMER 2009 STUDENT BULLETIN

### 1) THUNDERBIRD GLOBAL EXPERIENCE (TGE)

~ to replace same-titled section on Pages 8, 17, 20, 32, 37 (NOTE: Thunderbird Exchange Programs and Thunderbird Overseas modules abroad are not applicable to the programs on Pages 17 and 20).

TGE courses purposely aim to contribute meaningfully to the student's development of a global mindset. All students are required to successfully complete a three-hour TGE requirement in a country other than their citizenship or permanent residence. Any one of the following 3 methods will satisfy the TGE graduation requirement; however, the student must make up the three (3) academic credits by registering for a global focus elective or language course.

- Winterim or Summerim approved TGE courses, which are two to three weeks in duration, and offered off-campus, as available, in Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America, and the USA. Expenses for Winterim/Summerim will extend beyond the cost of tuition and fees for the course. Students should also factor in the cost of travel and living expenses when considering a course that is appropriate for their academic/professional needs.

Approved Winterim/Summerim courses may be used to satisfy more than one graduation requirement such as a Focus Area and TGE or Language and TGE. However, only three credit hours may be counted toward the degree requirements. The total number of credit hours to complete the degree will not be reduced by simultaneously completing two requirements.

- If the student completes a Winterim/Summerim that qualifies as a TGE and is also approved for their declared focus area, the three credit hours will be counted toward the focus area requirement and the TGE graduation requirement will be satisfied. The student must enroll in three credit hours of elective to meet the required number of credit hours for their program.
- If the student completes a Winterim/Summerim that qualifies as a TGE and also qualifies to count toward their language requirement, the three credit hours will be counted toward the language requirement and the TGE graduation requirement will be satisfied. The student must enroll in three credit hours of electives to meet the required number of credit hours for their program.
- An approved Thunderbird three (3) credit hour internship outside of the student's country of primary citizenship or permanent residence.
- A Thunderbird Exchange Program partner or a Thunderbird Overseas module abroad outside of the student's country of primary citizenship or permanent residence. Students are responsible for paying the tuition and fees, books, materials, travel and living expenses.

### 2) MA-GAM PROGRAM OVERVIEW

~ to replace Trimester 2 outline on Page 39

#### MA-GAM: Trimester 2 (Spring) (13.5 credits)

Module 3 – First Half	Module 4 – Second Half
ACT 4001 Accounting from a Global Perspective II (1.5)	ECN 4000 Global Economics (1.5)
FIN 4001 Finance from a Global Perspective II (1.5)	
MKT 4000 Marketing from a Global Perspective (3)	MKT 4000 Marketing from a Global Perspective (3)
GM 46XX Regional Business Environment (3)	GM 46XX Regional Business Environment (3)
CCC 4000 Communication & Negotiations Across Cultures OR Language (3) <sup>2</sup>	CCC 4000 Communication & Negotiations Across Cultures OR Language (3)
PD—1001 Business Presentations and Public Speaking Workshop <sup>3</sup>	PD—1000 Business Report Writing <sup>3</sup>

### **3) ARTICULATION BETWEEN MS-GM / MA-GAM, AND MBA-GM**

~ to replace same-titled section on Pages 40-42

#### ***ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS***

##### **SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE MS-GM OR MA-GAM DEGREE**

Students who have successfully completed the MS-GM and MA-GAM degrees may be admitted into the MBA-GM and earn the MBA-GM upon completion of a minimum of 30 credit hours of MBA coursework beyond the MS-GM or MA-GAM.

##### **GRADE POINT AVERAGE**

Eligible students are those who maintain at least a 3.2 cumulative grade point average (GPA) in the MS-GM or MA-GAM.

MS-GM or MA-GAM graduates who do not meet the minimum 3.2 cumulative GPA average may be admitted into the MBA-GM provided they meet the minimum 24-month post-baccalaureate work experience admissions requirement not including the 12-month credit for completing the MS or MA degree.

##### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

Eligible students must meet the minimum 24-month post-baccalaureate work experience admissions requirement for the MBA-GM degree. In this arrangement, MS-GM and MA-GAM students are credited 12 months towards this MBA admissions requirement, and the remaining 12 months of post-baccalaureate work experience may be completed as follows:

- a. *Students without any post-baccalaureate work experience prior to the MS or MA*  
At least one year of work experience is required prior to admission into the MBA. Full-time registered internships during or after the MS or MA may be applied toward meeting this requirement.
- b. *Students with some but less than one year of post-baccalaureate work experience prior to the MS or MA*  
A period of additional work experience is required which, when combined with prior work experience, equals at least one year of post-baccalaureate work experience. Full-time registered internships during or after the MS or MA may be applied towards meeting this requirement.
- c. *Students with at least one year of post-baccalaureate work experience prior to the MS or MA may matriculate directly into the MBA.*

##### **SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE THUNDERBIRD GLOBAL EXPERIENCE (TGE) REQUIREMENT**

Eligible students must satisfy the TGE requirement prior to articulation

##### **SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE THUNDERBIRD LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT**

Eligible students must satisfy the Thunderbird language requirement prior to articulation

##### ***PRIOR COURSEWORK***

Students articulating into the MBA-GM must complete a minimum of 30 post-MA/MS credit hours. Students will not receive credit toward the MBA degree for coursework taken prior to or during the completion of the MA/MS degree.

MS-GM / MA-GAM core courses achieve the same learning outcomes of the designated MBA-GM courses, and therefore satisfy the designated MBA-GM requirement as pre-requisites for all elective and language courses.

Courses completed as elective coursework in the MS-GM / MA-GAM programs may satisfy individual focus area requirements in the MBA-GM program, but the credit hours cannot be applied toward a focus area in the MBA program nor satisfy a TIE requirement. Students must still complete 12 post-MA/MS credit hours in the MBA program to earn the focus area.

##### ***THUNDERBIRD INTEGRATIVE EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENT (TIE)***

The TIE requirement must be satisfied while the student is enrolled in the MBA-GM program. Any TIE-eligible coursework completed during the MS-GM or MA-GAM program cannot be counted toward the MBA-GM degree TIE requirement.

### ***FOCUS AREAS***

MS-GM / MA-GAM graduates may have more than one focus area but may not count more than one course toward any two focus areas. A TIE may count toward a focus area but will not count toward a concentration.

### ***OPTIONAL PRACTICAL TRAINING***

International students are limited to one period of Optional Practical Training (OPT) in the U.S. per academic level of study. If an international student utilizes OPT to work in the U.S. after the MS or MA degree, they will not be eligible for another period of OPT for work in the U.S. after completing the degree requirements for the MBA degree. Students who work outside of the U.S. after the MA or MS degree retain OPT eligibility for work in the U.S. after completing requirements for the MBA degree.

### ***FINANCIAL AID***

Students articulating into the MBA-GM degree program are eligible for federal financial aid and scholarship funds for completion of 30 credit hours. Federal financial aid is not available for credits completed outside the MBA-GM program of study.

## ***OVERVIEW OF THE MS-GM TO MBA-GM PROGRAM***

### **Trimester 1 (12-15 credits)**

<b>Module 1—First Half</b>	<b>Module 2—Second Half</b>
Elective	Elective
PD 1002 Multicultural Teams & Leadership <sup>1</sup>	

### **Optional Activities (0-6 credits)**

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Period</b>
Elective	Winterim/Summerim <sup>2</sup>
Internship	Summer

### **Trimester 2 (12-15 credits)**

<b>Module 3 – First Half</b>	<b>Module 4 – Second Half</b>
Elective	Elective
Elective / TIE requirement <sup>3</sup>	Elective / TIE requirement <sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Graduation requirement

<sup>2</sup> Winterim and Summerim may include additional expense such as costs for travel, meals, lodging, etc., in addition to tuition. Students may use a Winterim/Summerim to satisfy a focus or an elective.

<sup>3</sup> Courses taken in the MA/MS program cannot satisfy this requirement.

**OVERVIEW OF THE MA-GAM TO MBA-GM PROGRAM**

**Trimester 1 (12-15 credits)**

<b>Module 1—First Half</b>	<b>Module 2—Second Half</b>
GM - 4403	GM - 4403
Elective	GM - 4102
GM - 5470	GM - 5486
Elective	GM - 4319
Elective	GM - 4203
PD 1002 Multicultural Teams & Leadership <sup>1</sup>	

**Optional Activities (0-6 credits)**

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Period</b>
Elective or Language	Winterim/Summerim <sup>2</sup>
Internship	Summer

**Trimester 2 (12-15 credits)**

<b>Module 3 – First Half</b>	<b>Module 4 – Second Half</b>
Elective	Elective
Elective / TIE requirement <sup>3</sup>	Elective / TIE requirement <sup>3</sup>

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