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Announcements

Biltmore Park May hours – Biltmore Park will be open 8am-5pm daily from May 12-30. Campus (including Biltmore Park) is OPEN Memorial Day (Monday, May 26).

Summer Courses and Payment Deadlines – MBA 693: International Market Research will begin on June 2 (Summer Term 1). MBA 625: Applied Business Economics will begin on July 7 (Summer Term 2). Payment is due by the first day of your first summer course. You should have information in your Catamount email with details about payment for summer.

Substitutions for MBA 693 – If you are seeking to use MBA 693 as a substitution for a core course and have not already received approval, please email your request to iha@wcu.edu and cc kumcintyre@wcu.edu ASAP.

Independent Study Option for Fall – Dr. Ed Wright is seeking an independent study student, or team of up to three students, to work with the SBTDC on a statewide initiative to offer an independent study program to all state university MBAs that is similar to the summer MBA 693 International Market Research course. If you are interested in participating in an export business plan for a local business this fall semester, email kumcintyre@wcu.edu. Any specific questions about the project can be directed to Dr. Wright, ewwright@wcu.edu.

Reminder! Please register for fall semester!

GBSA Activities

Thank you all for an excellent academic year! If you are interested in getting involved with GBSA next year, or have some fresh ideas for new activities or events, please contact Ellie Shown at eoshown1@catamount.wcu.edu.

Calendar of Events

MBA Advisory Board Meeting – Thursday, May 29, 12-1:30pm, Biltmore Park 344

MBA 693 International Market Research – Monday, June 2 – Wednesday, July 2

MBA 625 Applied Business Economics – Monday, July 7 – Monday, August 4

Opportunities

Leadership Asheville Class 33 - Leadership Asheville will be accepting applications for our LA 33 class from now until Friday, May 23rd. We encourage you to consider participating in this renowned community leadership development program!

The primary aim of LA 33 is to strengthen participants' knowledge of, commitment to, and involvement in collaborative community leadership. Graduates complete the program with an increased capacity to contribute as effective leaders, a strong connection to the Leadership Asheville network, and a greater knowledge of their community.

For more information, Click Here for the LA 33 Program Brochure.

Or if you are ready to apply for LA 33, please download the forms below and pay close attention to the application instructions:
Internships! – Asheville Office – US Fish and Wildlife Service. For several years, the Asheville office of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has offered paid internships to students at area colleges and universities. We currently have three internship vacancies, and hopefully will soon recruit for those positions, however, the announcement will come after spring semester ends and students largely scatter for the summer. I anticipate the positions will start in the fall, though we are flexible.

To help us reach the best candidates before they leave campus, I encourage you to reach out to your best students before the end of the semester, and ask them to contact me now about the vacancies. This way, when the announcement comes out, I can reach out to them directly, regardless of where their summer adventures take them.

Being at least a half-time student is a requirement of the program, and we like to have our interns at least a year, so unfortunately we can’t accept students graduating this spring unless they’re continuing on to graduate school this summer or fall.

In a bit of a twist, I’ve included several business programs in this email, as one of the intern positions will be focused on budget and office management support.

To express your interest, or if you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact me:
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JOB! City of Asheville – Compensation and HRIS Analyst. An employee in this class performs difficult professional administrative duties related to the City’s compensation program through the direction of the City’s Compensation & Benefits Manager. Work involves evaluating, analyzing, and classifying positions; researching and submitting recommendations to the Compensation & Benefits Manager regarding the City’s compensation programs; reviewing compensation-related documents for accuracy and adherence to federal/state rules and regulations, and City policies and procedures; creating and preparing the City’s Pay Plan; conferring with City employees and management on compensation-related employee relations issues and submitting recommendations and making determinations regarding those issues; responding to public inquiries of compensation-related issues; and formulating career development plans. Work also involves ensuring the accuracy of employees’ compensation-related changes. Work involves managing the HRIS by validating data entry, analyzing existing data, exploring new features, supporting upgrades and proposing technological enhancements. Employee must exercise independent judgment, discretion, and initiative in completing assignments, and handling difficult employee and public contact situations requiring considerable tact and knowledge of federal/state rules and regulations, and City policies, procedures and programs. Work is performed with considerable independence under direct supervision of the Compensation & Benefits Manager and is evaluated through observation, conferences and review of work performed.

Full-Time 37.5 Hrs Week; Exempt position
Monday - Friday 8:30am - 5:00pm
Salary $43,048.00 - $51,657.00 Annually
For more information and to apply, visit http://www.ashevillenc.gov/jobs (Position number 2014-00362).

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