2015 RSO Fall Field Seminar

The Retail Studies Organization’s Field Seminar to Chicago, Illinois this year is from **Thursday October 22nd to Friday October 23rd**! Get an inside look into the retail world by visiting a variety of retail locations and meeting industry professionals in various aspects of the retail industry.

The cost of the seminar is **$90** (Non-Refundable). The Apparel Merchandising National Advisory Council is helping sponsor this trip so we were excited to get the cost to $90! The $90 price includes a secured position on the roundtrip-reserved coach and one night hotel stay (quad occupancy) in Chicago. Does NOT include additional expenses (food, etc.).

We will meet at the Bloomington K-Mart by College Mall on Thursday morning (approximately **6:15 am**) and return there Friday early evening (carpooling available if a ride is needed). Students need to dress **professionally** for the appointments and bring spending money for meals (& shopping!) in Chicago. YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOURSELF & YOUR ACTIONS! THIS IS A BUSINESS TRIP SO YOU MUST CONDUCT YOURSELF IN A PROFESSIONAL MANNER AT ALL TIMES.

Spaces are very limited, so if you are interested in applying, you need to complete the attached Application & attach your Resume. These need to be turned in to Professor Shaffer’s Office in Memorial Hall East #238 by **Tuesday, September 29th**. Memorial Hall is on Third Street next to the Jordan Hall greenhouse- walk up stairs 3 flights. BE SURE TO CHECK WITH YOUR PROFESSORS TO MAKE SURE YOU WOULD BE ALLOWED TO MISS CLASS ON THURSDAY/ FRIDAY IF YOU APPLY. We will be giving students letters to show your professors, but it is not an excuse (only the professor can excuse you).

Students who are selected to fill the spots will be notified at the latest by **Friday, October 2nd**, and will be required to attend a meeting after the **RSO meeting on 10/6** to get specifics of the trip and to turn in their liability forms and checks or money orders. Checks will need to be made payable to AMIFS with “Chicago Field Seminar” in the memo line. Once you pay your money (on 10/6), your money will be non-refundable so you are committed to go. All money must be paid by **10/6** so you won’t have much time to get that together after you are notified so please ahead.

**APPLICATIONS DUE TO MME#238 BY 4:00 PM ON TUESDAY 9/29**

Questions or concerns? Please contact Anna or Makaela at acborer@umail.iu.edu or makhill@indiana.iu.edu
Field Seminar Application

Event: Chicago, Illinois – Fall 2015

Please bring: This application along with your resume and turn in TWO COPIES to Professor Shaffer’s office in Memorial Hall East #238 by 4:00 pm on Tuesday 9/29. Please put under door if she is not in.

Name: ____________________________

Campus Address: ____________________________

Cell Phone: ____________________________

E-mail: ____________________________

Class (circle): Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior

Major: ____________________________ Minor: ____________________________

Emergency Contact Information:

Name: ____________________________

Number: ____________________________

Relationship: ____________________________

Allergies/Medical Conditions (if willing & applicable): ____________________________

Roommate Request* (Quad Occupancy): ____________________________

*Will be noted, but CANNOT be guaranteed/ don’t worry if you don’t know anyone applying

Questions (answer on separate sheet of paper).

1. Why are you interested in attending the Chicago Field Seminar?
2. What do you hope to gain or learn from the trip?
3. What are two questions you might ask on the seminar?

ATTACH RESUME and Staple everything together. Turn in TWO PHYSICAL COPIES.

Be sure to do a good job on your application because that will be an important part of the application process.