

# International Business Leadership Internship Instruction Module

Program is comprised of 6 phases, with each phase covering an average of 8 weeks in length. Instruction is approximately 1 hour in length, 5 days per week for a period of approximately 12 months.

Daily instruction includes 30 minutes of lecture, 15 minutes of oral group work, and 15 minutes of individual written work.

## Phase One

## Units 1 & 2

## Personal Development: Personal Mission Statements: Setting Achievable Goals

- Identifying true needs
- Developing financial, educational, vocational, and personal goals
- How to create an effective mission statement
- Using your mission statement

## **Business Communication: Determining Quality Prospects**

- Prospecting through demographics
- Determining the quality of prospects through questioning and visual cues
- Effective time management while prospecting
- How to identify the decision maker

## Soft Skills Development: Self-Management I

- Self-assessment: consistently logging your results
- Self-awareness: monitoring your attitude
- Self-marketing: communicating confidence
- Self-commitment: foundation for personal achievement

## **Linguistic Development**

- Reference skills
- Parts of speech
- Sentences: elements, patterns, types

- Developing approaches to culture
- Understanding our cultural perceptions
- Formulation of cultural identities

## Phase Two

## Units 3 & 4

## Personal Development: Discovering Personal Strengths and Weaknesses

- Statistical performance evaluation
- Discovering positive and negative performance patterns
- Correlating behavior to performance patterns
- Identifying the core beliefs of personal behavior
- Changing core beliefs to alter behavior and performance patterns

## Business Communication: Language Mirroring & Buying Profiles

- Creating trust and confidence through language mirroring
- Fostering further trust by Listening effectively to responses
- The Commander Buying Profile: control arguments
- The Thinker Buying Profile: logical arguments
- The Visualizer Buying Profile: linguistic imagery

# Soft Skills Development: Self Management II

- Self Discipline
- Stress Resistance
- Compensation Strategies
- Learning Willingness
- Decision Making

#### **Linguistic Development**

- Nouns
- Possessive & Personal Pronouns
- Pronouns & Antecedents

- Distinguishing cultural values
- Communicating between cultures
- History & Culture

## Phase Three

## Units 5 & 6

# Personal Development: Negotiation Skills

- Your goals and expectations
- Authoritative standards and norms
- Understanding roles and relationships
- The Other Party's Interests
- Leverage

## Business Communication: Persuasive Behaviors to Influence Others I

- The necessity of reciprocation
- Demonstrating commitment and consistency
- The law of scarcity: separating yourself from your peers
- The role of likability: non-verbal cues of response
- The importance of author: becoming credible

## Soft Skills Development: Effective Communication

- Empathic listening skills: demonstrating concern
- Interviewing skills: asking leading questions
- Delegating skills: helping others understand the common goal
- Presentation skills: maintaining interest

## **Linguistic Development**

- Persuasive verbs
- Verbs: kinds, voices, moods, verbals
- Verb tenses and parts

- Symbolism & Culture
- Hierarchal Order & Culture in context
- Assimilation & Dissimilation

## Phase Four

## **Units 7 & 8**

## Personal Development: Overcoming Discouragement

- Identifying underlying fears
- Understanding the fear/ faith dichotomy
- Extrapolation of worst case scenario vs. desired outcome
- Evaluating personal risk
- Plotting steps to achievement

# Business Communication: Persuasive Behaviors to Influence Others II

- Understanding and communicating your company's strengths
- Ethically and effectively illustrating product advantages over competitors
- The power of agreement
- Opening statements that create need
- Closing statements that offer solutions to needs

## **Soft Skills Development: Organizational Skills**

- Problem solving
- Systems thinking
- Troubleshooting
- Streamlining tasks

## **Linguistic Development**

- Verbs and Subject Agreement
- Verbal Adverbs
- Verbal Imperatives

- Culturally appropriate listening and responding techniques
- Understanding the nature of diversity
- Societal Models

## Phase Five

## Units 9 & 10

## Personal Development: Maintaining Healthy Internal Dialogue

- Discovering the beliefs we reinforce to ourselves
- Distinguishing healthy vs. unhealthy internal dialogue
- Remedying unhealthy internal dialogue
- Aversion Compensation: Over-complicating simple matters
- Misallocation of blame: shifting responsibility and victimization

## Business Communication: Primary Focus: The Best Interests of Your Clients

- Identifying the primary needs of your clients
- Generating interest with needs-based dialogue
- Communicating your understanding of their needs
- Tailoring your presentation to address clients' requirements
- Overcoming objections: Client-focused solutions

## Soft Skills Development: Interpersonal Skills Development I

- Successfully managing conflict
- Fostering co-operation in a group environment
- Diversity tolerance
- Business Etiquette

#### **Linguistic Development**

- Modifiers: Adjectives & Adverbs
- Prepositions
- Conjunctions

- Showing cultural appreciation and respect
- Cultural Migration
- Law & Culture

## Phase Six

## Units 11 & 12

# Personal Development: Personal Integrity

- The necessity of integrity in the workplace
- The codependence of commitment between parties
- The proportional relationship of commitment and achievement
- Creating checks and balances to dissuade dishonest practices
- Reflecting standards of integrity in conduct

#### **Business Communication: Presentation Skills**

- Introducing presentation points through effective questions
- Knowing your audience
- Maintaining interest by interactive communication
- Assuming a positive outcome
- Effective networking

#### Soft Skills Development: Interpersonal Skills Development II

- Interlocutor orientation: managing the flow of conversation
- Teamwork willingness
- Group-based productive contribution
- Showing consideration for others' opinions and suggestions
- Effectively handling criticism

## **Linguistic Development**

- Punctuation: Commas
- Punctuation: Semi-colons & Colons
- Other punctuation

- Progression of ethnocentrism
- Cultural tolerance
- Challenges facing multi-cultural societies