

**GLOBAL ADVENTURE IN ENTREPRENEURSHIP**  
**A Passage to India**  
**Weinert Center for Entrepreneurship**

**Itinerary**

- Sun, Jan 02** 2:00 pm Meet at UW Memorial Union; (800 Langdon St.)  
Depart 2:30pm by bus, arriving in Chicago at 5:30pm
- 5:30 pm Dinner (on your own)
- 6:45 pm Check in at Air India ticket counter
- 8:45 pm Depart Chicago on Air India flight # 124/165

- Tues, Jan 04** 11:20 am Arrive in Delhi to a traditional Indian welcome –  
transferred to Hotel Marina (4 star) G 59 Connaught  
Circus, New Delhi. Tel: 011 – 23324658 by bus

My Day, My Way (i.e., the day is free for you to rest,  
sightsee or meet entrepreneurs as you wish; all meals  
are on your own)

- Wed, Jan 05** 8:00 am Continental breakfast at the hotel
- 9:00 am Sightseeing tour of Delhi

“The first stop is the Red Fort built by the great Mughal emperor Shah Jehan when he shifted his capital from Agra to Delhi. A short drive brings us to the great mosque - the Jama Masjid built by Shah Jehan. We then walk around the lanes of Chandni Chowk the 'Silver Street' imbibing an ambiance of a bygone era. Now we drive on to see the memorial built for Mahatma Gandhi at Rajghat and Qutab Minar - the tallest stone tower in India built in 1191 AD. Close by are the cloisters of one of the first mosque built in India, the Quwwatul - Islam mosque. In the centre of its courtyard is an amazing 2000 year old iron pillar erected in 4 AD, cast of such pure iron that it has never rusted. We continue to Hamayun's tomb built by the widow of the Mughal Emperor Humayun (some say the inspiration for the Taj Mahal).

- 12:00 pm Lunch (on your own)

- 3:00 pm Travel to Agra (203 km / 4 hrs) by bus
- 7:00 pm Check in at the Hotel Mansingh. (3 star) 181/2, Fatehbad Road, Agra. Tel: 0562 – 2331771.
- 7:30 pm Dinner (on your own)
- Thur, Jan 06** 8:30 am Continental breakfast at the hotel
- 9:00 am Sightseeing tour of Agra and visit to the Taj Mahal
- “The Taj Mahal was built by a grief-stricken emperor, Shah Jahan, as a memorial to his beloved wife Mumtaz Mahal. It took twenty-two years to build. The finest of skilled artisans inlaid the white marble edifice with precious stones and conjured a lacy stone screen around the cenotaphs of the emperor and his beloved. The Agra Fort was built by the Mughal Emperor Akbar in 1565 AD. It features a view of the Taj Mahal from a little octagonal tower which is reminiscent of the view its builder had when he was kept a prisoner there by his son.”
- noon Lunch (on your own)
- 1:00 pm Visit Sikandra, the tomb of Emperor Akbar
- 3:00 pm Travel to Delhi (203 km / 4 hrs) by bus
- 7:00 pm Check in at the Hotel Marina, G 59 Connaught Circus, New Delhi. Tel: 011 – 23324658
- 7:30 pm Dinner (on your own)
- Fri, Jan 07** 8:00 am Continental breakfast at the hotel  
Meet Venky Rajagopal 9811554910
- 11:00 am Meeting with Dr. S.K. Brahmachari, Director of the Institute of Genomics and Integrative Biology
- noon Lunch (on your own)
- 2:00 pm Depart for airport by bus and check in at Indian airlines ticket counter by 3:00 pm
- 4:30 pm Depart Dehli on Indian Airlines flight # 403

- 7:00 pm Arrive in Bangalore. Welcomed by STIC tour executive and transferred by bus to Hotel Bangalore International, 2A-2B, Crescent Road, High Grounds, Bangalore. Tel: 080-22268011. (4 star)
- Sat, Jan 08**
- 8:00 am Continental breakfast at the hotel
- 9:00 am Sightseeing tour of Bangalore. Visit Viswaraiya Art Gallery, Venkadappa Art Gallery, Ro Ritz Art Museum, and/or Lalbagh botanical garden
- noon Meeting, tour of facilities and lunch with Ms. Hema Hattangady, Managing Director of Enercon Systems ([www.enercon.co.in/home.htm](http://www.enercon.co.in/home.htm))
- 6:00 pm Dinner (on your own)
- Sun, Jan 09**
- 8:00 am Continental breakfast at the hotel
- 9:00 am Travel by bus to Chamundeshvari Temple (140 km – 3 hrs – southwest of Bangalore)
- noon Lunch (on your own)
- 1:00 pm Continue drive to Mysore. Check in at Hotel Ramanashree: B.N Road, Hardinge Circle, Mysore. Tel: 0821 - 2522202 (3 star)
- 6:00 pm Dinner (on your own)
- Mon, Jan 10**
- 8:00 am Continental breakfast at the hotel
- 9:00 am Sightseeing tour of Mysore, including a visit to sandalwood and silk factories, the Maharaja Palace and Brindavan Garden
- noon Lunch (on your own)
- 1:00 pm Continue sightseeing tour of Mysore
- 4:00 pm Travel to Bangalore (140kms – 3 hrs) by bus and check into Hotel Bangalore International, 2A-2B, Crescent Road, High Grounds, Bangalore. Tel: 080-22268011. (4 star)

- Tues, Jan 11** 8:00 am Continental breakfast at the hotel
- 10:00 am Meeting with Mr. Ajay Kela, President of Symphony-India ([www.symphonysv.com](http://www.symphonysv.com)) at their corporate offices in Embassy Heights
- noon Lunch
- 1:15 pm Depart by bus to train station
- 2:30 pm Depart from Bangalore on train
- 6:00 pm Dinner (on your own on the train)
- 8:15 pm Arrive in Chennai and transfer to Hotel Aruna, 144, Sterling Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai. Tel: 044 - 28233561 (4 star) by bus
- Wed, Jan 12** 8:00 am Continental breakfast at the hotel; call Gerry's father, George at 011-91-44-249-9-1130
- 9:00 am Sightseeing tour of Chennai including Government Museum, Bronze Gallery, National Art Gallery, Vivekananda Museum and St Fort George
- noon Lunch
- 2:00 pm Meeting, tour of R&D facilities and dinner with Mr. Abhaya Kumar, Joint Managing Director for Shasun Chemicals ([www.shasun.com](http://www.shasun.com))
- Thurs, Jan 13** 8:00 am Continental breakfast at the hotel
- 9:00 am **My Day, My Way**
- noon Travel to Mahabalipuram by bus (58 km south of Chennai - lunch on board)
- 4:00 pm Return to Chennai by bus
- 6:00 pm Meeting and dinner with Mr. M. M. Murugappan, Director of Technology & Human Resources for the Murugappa Group ([www.murugappa.com](http://www.murugappa.com))
- Fri, Jan 14** 8:00 am Continental breakfast at the hotel

9:00 am My Day, My Way

noon Lunch (on your own)

7:00 pm Dinner at the home of Gerry George's parents

11:59 pm Depart hotel for airport by bus

**Sat, Jan 15** 4:10 am Depart Chennai on Air India flight # 641/127

4:00 pm Arrive in Chicago O'Hare

6:00 pm Depart from Chicago O'Hare for Madison by bus

9:35 pm Arrive in Madison at UW Memorial Union