Dear Groundswell Student:

Welcome to the Groundswell program. Enclosed are an information sheet and various forms that must be followed carefully in order for you to receive Western State Colorado University for the Groundswell course in which you are enrolling. You must be accepted for a specific Groundswell course before submitting these forms to Western State Colorado University. Payment for the course is made directly to Groundswell; payment for credit is made to Western State Colorado University. Enrollment for credit through Western State Colorado University must be completed two weeks prior to the beginning of the Groundswell course. Attached is a list of the learning objectives which need to be addressed in your final written analysis of the course.

Transcript requests can be made at www.getmytranscripts.com. Transcripts are $6.00 each.

_____ A. Information Sheet: This gives information about registration, tuition, grading/incompletes, evaluations, and Western State Colorado University.

_____ B. Registration Form: Return this form and correct payment to our office. Please indicate on the form the name of the course and the dates you will be attending so that we may register you in the appropriate school term.

_____ C. Disclosure, Disclaimer, and Waiver Form: Complete this form and return it with the registration and payment. Financial aid is not available for this program. NO GI BENEFITS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THIS PROGRAM.

_____ D. Learning Objectives Paper: Your final paper is due within two weeks of completion of the Groundswell course and submitted directly to your Professor. Your Groundswell instructor will grade your grade and submit a copy of your paper and grade to Western State Colorado University. A short grace period will be given and then a grade of “F” will be recorded if your paper is not received within four weeks from the completion of your course. Please contact Groundswell if you have questions or legitimate concerns with this policy.

_____ E. Instructor(s) Evaluation of your Performance: Your Groundswell field professor will fill out this evaluation form upon receipt of your final paper. Your professor will be evaluating your performance-based on your participation in the field, demonstrated knowledge related to the learning objectives, your quizzes, classroom contributions, and other assignments.

Sincerely,

Dana Miller, Assistant Director

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Groundswell Awareness Course
A. Information Sheet

3 credits can be received for the core curriculum ($125 per credit hour). You must enroll in all 3 credits BUAD 397, 3 credits, Specific Groundswell course will be listed on the transcript

Evaluation is based on ---
* the student's completion of the course.
* the student's written learning objectives paper
* the student's fulfillment of the learning objectives as evaluated by the Groundswell instructor(s).

Grading/Incompletes ---

Students are graded on a A,B,C,D,F grade. At the discretion of the instructor of record at Western State Colorado University, a student who is unable to complete a course for reasons beyond the student’s control (e.g. illness) may be assigned an “Incomplete” (IN). The student must have completed more than one-half of the coursework at an acceptable level at the time of the request for an “Incomplete.” The student and the instructor of record must agree upon a plan for the completion of the work within a time period not to exceed one calendar year. If the work has not been completed and the instructor of record has not removed the incomplete grade and recorded a grade on the student’s permanent record within that time period, the “IN” will revert to a grade of technical fail (TF).

If a student is sent home by Groundswell due to behavior or disciplinary issues, Western State Colorado University reserves the right to process a failing grade based on the student’s dismissal and failure to complete the course. No refund for the cost of the credits will be issued.

Registration can be completed by ---

Completing B. Registration Form, C. Disclosure, Disclaimer and Waiver Form, and submitting tuition of $125 per semester credit hour (payable to Western State Colorado University), which must be received by Western before you begin your Groundswell course. Eligible high school students may apply for credit.

Western would also like to invite you to ---

consider a baccalaureate degree through our college. Western State Colorado University is a four-year liberal arts and sciences college located in Gunnison, Colorado. Western's mission is to provide exemplary undergraduate education. Located in an alpine valley 7,735 feet above sea level, "Gunnison Country" has been called Colorado's most beautiful area. Professors in many disciplines find ways to draw upon the resources provided by the finest natural outdoor laboratory anywhere. For further information, call the Western Admission's Office at 1-800-876-5309.

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B. Registration Form

Start Date: ________________  End date: ________________
☐ Enroll me in the following course for college credit:
3 credits  BUAD 397

Name __________________________________________ Social Security # _______/_______/_______
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Mailing address ____________________________________________________________

City, State & Zip _________________________________________________________

Phone numbers __________________________________________________________

E-mail address __________________________________________ Fax number __________________________

Sex:  M (  )  F (  )  U.S. Citizen: Yes (  )  No (  )  Date of Birth: _______/_______/_______

Ethnicity:  Caucasian (  )  Hispanic (  )  American Indian (  )  Asian-Pacific (  )  Black (  )  Other ________  Withheld (  )

Do you have a baccalaureate degree? Yes (  )  No (  )  Term/Year last attended Western _______/_______

Name of University/High School currently attending:_________________________________________________

Refund/Cancellation Policy: Withdrawal must be processed through Western State Extended Studies. Non-attendance does NOT constitute withdrawal. Full refunds will be processed if the course is canceled. A refund, less a $50 cancellation fee, will be processed if you notify Extended Studies 48 hours prior to the course. No refunds will be allowed after the course begins. Returned checks are assessed a $17 service charge.

Selective Service Information: Males who are 18 years of age or older, born after 1960, and who are not permanent residents of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands or the Northern Mariana Islands MUST be registered with the Selective Service to comply with Colorado law and to register for credit classes. Individuals not in compliance are subject to penalty of law and to withholding of transcripts.

Amount Due: $125.00/credit.  FINANCIAL AID IS NOT AVAILABLE FOR THIS PROGRAM. NO GI BENEFITS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THIS PROGRAM.

Method of Payment: (Full payment in U.S. dollars is required with registration.)

_____ Cash  _____ Check or Money Order payable to Western State Colorado University
_____ Visa  _____ MasterCard  _____ Discover Card  Expiration Date _______/_______

Name on card ________________________________________________________________

Card#:____________________________________________________________________

I (we) declare that the information provided is true and complete, that I wish to enroll for credit, and that the credit card information (if used) is correct and may be used to charge the card.

Signature: __________________________________________________________________

For Office Use Only:  CRN #: _________  Term/Year: _________

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C. Disclosure, Disclaimer and Waiver Form

Groundswell Course

Dates/Location: ________________________________

Name ______________________________________________ Social Security # _______/_______/_______
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I (WE) UNDERSTAND AND AGREE that participation in this Groundswell course (the “Activity”) with Extended Studies and Western State Colorado University is dangerous and involves risk and that I am (we are) cognizant of the risks and dangers inherent with such a course. Injuries could include, but are not limited to, sprains, contusions, fractures, paralysis and even death. I (We) also understand that I am (we are) not required to participate in this Activity, but that such participation is optional.

AS LAWFUL CONSIDERATION for being permitted by Extended Studies and Western State Colorado University to participate in the referenced Activity, I (we) do hereby RELEASE FROM ANY LEGAL LIABILITY, AGREE NOT TO SUE, CLAIM AGAINST, ATTACH THE PROPERTY OF OR PROSECUTE, AND FURTHER AGREE TO DEFEND, INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS Extended Studies and Western State College of Colorado, and all of their officers, directors, members, organizations, agents and employees of any injury or death caused by or resulting from my participation in the Activity described above, WHETHER OR NOT SUCH INJURY OR DEATH WAS CAUSED BY THEIR NEGLIGENCE OR FROM ANY OTHER CAUSE.

THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY. IF UNDER EIGHTEEN (18) YEARS OF AGE, SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN IS ALSO REQUIRED.

This Agreement, made in the State of Colorado, County of Gunnison, shall in all respects be governed in accordance with the laws of the State of Colorado. Any action brought by either party to enforce any of the terms or conditions of this Agreement shall be brought only in such county. Each party consents to the jurisdiction and venue of the appropriate Court in such county.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I (we) have hereunto set our hand on the dates indicated the last such date governing the effective date of said Agreement.

________________________________________________________
Signature of Participant                               Date

________________________________________________________
Signature of Parent (if participant is under 18 years of age) Date

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D. Learning Objectives Paper

Based on the five principles of the Framework Analysis for Sustainable Surf Tourism (FASST) (Ponting & O’Brien, 2013) and what you learn in the field through observation, asking questions, interviews with local tour operators, officials, communities, and surfers - you are to provide a FASST analysis of surf tourism in the location of your course. There is a section with one page per principle provided in your workbook to take notes in-country, but when you return to the US, you will have two weeks to write a 5-7 page analytical paper based on your findings under each of the five analytical criteria. This paper must have an:

- Introduction (discussing why surf tourism has historically caused problems for local communities and reasons to start planning for sustainability in global surf tourism)
- A clear thesis statement
- Evidence from class readings and from field observations
- Conclusions with recommendations outlined for facilitating more sustainable outcomes in the community in the future
- Students must also present their paper outlines on the last day the class meets in country (100 pts out of the total 400)

Your paper must be typed and double spaced. Correct grammar and spelling is expected. Careless errors will distract from your presentation. Use 12 point Times New Roman font. Please keep in mind that this paper should document a learning experience. Your paper will be evaluated on the following basis: 20% for proper format and clarity in your writing and 80% for content, careful consideration, and effort.

Western State Colorado University will award credit after you have successfully completed your Groundswell course based on your field instructor’s evaluation of your assignments and your active participation in the field. Also, please note, full payment of tuition is necessary for receipt of credits and grades. Your final paper is due within two weeks of completion of the Groundswell course and submitted directly to your Professor. A short grace period will be given and then a grade of “F” will be recorded if your paper is not received within four weeks from the completion of your course. Please contact this office if you have questions or legitimate concerns with this policy.
This form must be returned by the instructor(s) within 3 weeks of completion of the course. It can be mailed to the address below or the information can be e-mailed to extendedstudies@western.edu.

Student Information:

Groundswell Course Title: ___________________________________________

Dates: _______________________________ 3 BUAD 397 credits

Name _____________________________ Social Security # ____/____/____

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Instructor Information:

Name _____________________________

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Email address ___________________________

Phone Number (work)_______________________________

OBJECTIVE #1: CRAFTING A FULL-LENGTH MAGAZINE FEATURE FOR PUBLICATION

Students will by the end of the course produce a well-written, 3000 to 3500 word magazine feature showing not only an understanding of style, tone and content, but a proficiency in the technical aspects of magazine writing (both online and print) including feature writing template, interview skills, research methods and editing for publication.

INSTRUCTOR’S ASSESSMENT:   1  2  3  4  5  N/A
COMMENTS:

OBJECTIVE #2: TRANSFORMATIONAL WRITING

Students will participate in an intensive workshop designed to unlock the power of thought potential and to give voice to the individual’s untapped inner mind through organic writing techniques and published works. Students will learn the practical and spiritual skills of articulation through a series of dynamic, transformational writing assignments and exercises. Fully-engaged participation is mandatory.

INSTRUCTOR’S ASSESSMENT:   1  2  3  4  5  N/A
COMMENTS:

OBJECTIVE #3: CULTURAL AWARENESS

Students will participate in a variety of activities, events, excursions and adventures designed to heighten their awareness and appreciation of authentic cultural interaction. Whether attending Balinese spiritual ceremonies, climbing sacred mountains, paddling remote volcanic lakes, surfing isolated reefs or simply ordering nasi goreng for dinner in the Kuta, students will be expected to engage the indigenous Balinese population on a meaningful level. Articulation of this experience will be required as a component of graded travel feature to be produced at the end of the course.

INSTRUCTOR’S ASSESSMENT:   1  2  3  4  5  N/A
COMMENTS:
OBJECTIVE #4: SURF CULTURAL LITERACY
Students will, through provided reading material, group discussion, film screenings and lectures, be provided a history of surfing-related literature, journalism and film. From Lt. William King’s first description of the sport penned in 1779 to surfing innovator Tom Blake’s first published work in 1933; from the inaugural issue of SURFER Magazine in 1960 to the launch of Surfl ine.com in 1996; from 1959’s Gidget to 2014’s Hawaiian: The Legend of Eddie Aikau students will be expected to demonstrate both critical analysis and an appreciation for the collective body of historical documentation.

INSTRUCTOR’S ASSESSMENT:  1  2  3  4  5  N/A
COMMENTS:

OBJECTIVE # 5: MAGAZINE PRODUCTION AND PUBLICATION
Students will directly participate in the production of an issue of Surftime, Indonesia’s premier surfing magazine. This will include feature writing, caption and headlines and photo selection. Potential publication outlets will also include SURFER and SUP Magazines, as well as Surfl ine.com.

INSTRUCTOR’S ASSESSMENT:  1  2  3  4  5  N/A
COMMENTS: