Grande Prairie Regional College Department of Business Administration BA 2900 A3 Introduction to Tourism (3-0-0) Course Outline Winter 2004

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Required Text: Nickerson & Kerr. Snapshots: an introduction to

tourism, third edition). Toronto: Pearson Education

Canada Inc. (2004).

Course Description: This course provides a survey of the tourism and hospitality

industry. Specific topics may include, but will not be limited to traveler motivation, the tourism host, events and conferences, accommodation, food and beverage,

transportation, the travel trade, and tourism services.

Course Objectives:

• To acquaint students with terminology and fundamental concepts of tourism and hospitality.

- To appreciate the importance of the tourism and hospitality industry within the local, regional, national, and international economies.
- To understand how the different areas of tourism and hospitality interrelate.
- To understand how planning, research, marketing and funding affect the industry.

• To further develop verbal and written communication skills.

Prerequisite: None.

Transferability: Check with any receiving university or institution for

confirmation of acceptance.

Course Evaluation: Participation 10%

Quizzes 40%
Marketing Plan / Presentation 30%
Paper 20%

Participation: To get the most out of this class regular attendance and

participation is strongly encouraged.

Quizzes: There will be unit quizzes at the end of each chapter.

These guizzes will cumulate to consist of 40% of the final

grade.

Marketing Plan /

Individually or in groups of two you will choose an area in tourism (i.e. bed and breakfast, hotel/motel, restaurant, ecotourism, ect.) and prepare and present a marketing plan to the class. This plan and presentation will account for 30% of your final grade.

Paper:

You will explore at least two occupations in the tourism industry and investigate job profile, wages, education and training, potential for employment and your own personal reaction/feelings toward the occupation.

Statement of Plagiarism:

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*The instructor reserves the right to change, or cancel, any of these dates and topics.