

# Bahrain, Oman & UAE Chazen Study Tour

January 6-15



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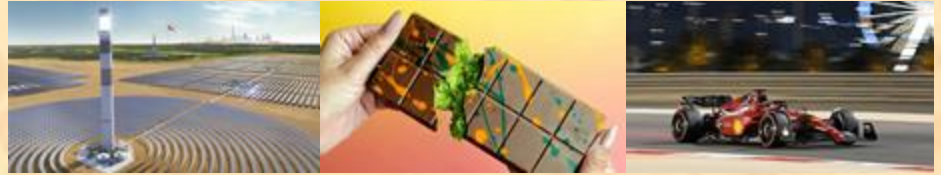
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Deep professional networks  
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# Why visit Bahrain, Oman & UAE?

## Arabian Peninsula



## Economic Transformation

Learn how the Gulf Arab states are diversifying their economies through investing in areas such as renewable energy, live entertainment and retail



## Cultural Heritage

Immerse yourself in over 5,000 years of history across 3 countries including visits to ancient mountain and coastal cities, burial mounds, souqs, mosques and forts

# Itinerary Overview: Jan 6 - 15



**Bahrain**

**Jan 6 - 9**



**Oman**

**Jan 9 - 11**



**UAE**

**Jan 11 - 15**

- Local welcome dinner
- Bahrain National Museum
- Manama Souq
- Bahrain Fort and Museum
- Pearling Path
- 2-3 company visits
- **Dinner cooked by Yasmeen's mom!**
- Flight to Oman

- Day-trip to mountainous Nizwa region including natural wonders, forts and castles
- Sultan Qaboos Mosque
- Royal Opera House
- Mutrah Souq
- 1-2 company visits
- Bus to Dubai

- Louvre Museum Abu Dhabi
- Qasr Al Watan Palace
- Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque
- 1 company visit in Abu Dhabi
- Old Dubai tour
- 2-3 company visits in Dubai
- Desert safari and BBQ dinner

# Tentative Company Visits



**Fix Dessert Chocolatier**, creators of original Dubai Chocolate



**House of Amouage**, international luxury fragrance house



**The Family Office**, leading wealth management firm



**Frankincense Distillery**, producers of renown traditional resin



**Mumtalakat**, Bahrain's sovereign wealth fund



**Dubai Electricity and Water Authority's Solar Park and Desalination Complex**



**Miral Experiences**, operators of Ferrari World

# Visit Mumtalakat

- Visit Bahrain's sovereign wealth fund, Mumtalakat, a driver of national growth
- Learn how it manages over \$18B in assets across diverse economic sectors
- Gain insights into Mumtalakat's investment portfolio such as its majority stake in McLaren Group



# Visit the House of Amouage

- Luxury perfume house blending Omani heritage with global craftsmanship
- Renowned for artistic, long-lasting fragrances made with rare ingredients
- Visitors' Centre in Muscat offers an immersive look into the perfume-making process, from ingredient maceration to final packaging



# Visit Fix Dessert Chocolatier

- Visit viral Dubai-born chocolate brand
- Understand the story behind their gold-dusted truffles and bold flavors that took social media by storm
- Learn from a standout example of food entrepreneurship in the region
- Enjoy an exclusive tasting experience during our visit to their flagship boutique



# Visit Dubai Electricity & Water Authority's Sustainability and Innovation Centre

- Located within the world's largest single-site solar park, showcasing Dubai's clean energy leadership
- Contains interactive exhibits on solar tech, smart grids, AI, and sustainable desalination
- Offers immersive experiences highlighting DEWA's innovations in energy and water sustainability



# Manama, Bahrain



Bahrain Fort UNESCO Site



Manama Souq



Pearling Path UNESCO Site



Bahrain National Museum



Vida Marassi Beach Resort

# Muscat, Oman



Sultan Qaboos Grand Mosque



Royal Opera House



Mutrah Souq



Mysk Al Mouj Hotel



# Nizwa, Oman



Nizwa Fort

Nizwa Souq

Falaj Daris Irrigation UNESCO Site

# Abu Dhabi, UAE



Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque

Louvre Abu Dhabi

Al Watan Palace

# Dubai, UAE



Old Dubai

Desert Safari & BBQ

Towers Rotana Hotel

# Program Details

**Program costs:** \$2,550 - \$2,850

**Open spots:** 30

**What's included:**

- 4-5 star hotels at each city (double occupancy) including breakfast
- Various group lunches and dinners built into the itinerary
- Entrance fees for cultural activities
- Local guides in each country
- Flight from Bahrain to Oman
- Bus from Oman to Dubai
- Local group ground transportation

**What's not included:**

- International flights to / from US
- Visas (if applicable)
- Travel health insurance
- Individual lunches / dinners, optional activities, personal expenses



# Trip Logistics

## Visa Logistics

- We are visiting **3 countries (Bahrain, Oman, UAE)** → check visa requirements for all

Note: For students that require visas, these are usually single-entry. This means visiting the UAE before the Chazen Study Tour starts means that you will be denied entry when attempting to re-enter.

- If not visa-on-arrival, bring a **printed copy of your visa**
- Processing time can take several weeks, so start early

## Recommended Flight Route

- **Fly into Bahrain** at the start of the trip. If flying from NYC, leave on January 5th to arrive in time for our welcome dinner on January 6th
- **Depart from Dubai** at the end of the trip
- Regional transport (Bahrain → Oman, Oman → Dubai) included in the program



## Things to Keep in Mind

- Trip is open to full-time MBA students
- All company visits are **mandatory**; attendance of the full program is required
- Check your calendars for conflicts (block week, recruiting, non-MBA classes, personal events, etc.)! ***Non-exceptional excuses will forfeit their deposit***
- No significant others or shadowing allowed
- Research your eligibility for visas with your passport (organizers can only support tourist visas)



# Questions?

