

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SCHULICH SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

A regular meeting of the Executive Committee of Faculty Council for the 2023-24 academic year will be held remotely (via Zoom) on Friday, March 8 at 11:30 am.

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#### FACULTY COUNCIL SCHULICH SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

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#### Schulich School of Business Memorandum

To: Faculty Council, Schulich School of BusinessFrom: Ashwin Joshi, Associate Dean, ProgramsDate: February 7, 2024Re: Advanced Management Diploma (AMD) (Type 2)

#### Motion:

That Faculty Council approves the new Type 2 Concurrent Graduate Diploma program, Advanced Management Diploma (AMD).

Rationale:

The Advanced Management Diploma is a two-term (18 credit) graduate diploma that features one term of course work on advanced management topics—selected from existing courses in Schulich's professional master's programs—followed by a one-term internship. In the concurrent option, the course work will be double counted alongside the degree requirements (as within the University's policy on graduate diplomas). The sequencing of the diploma is designed so that the internship provides a culminating experience in which students can synthesize and apply all they have learned during their education at Schulich. The diploma also expands access to high-quality experiential education so that a higher number of Schulich master's students can graduate having completed an internship.

### York University New Program Proposal (Expedited Approval)

Advanced Management Diploma (AMD) (Type 2)

February 2024

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## York University

## New Program Proposal for the Diploma in Advanced Management (Advanced Management Diploma = AMD)

#### TEMPLATE for EXPEDITED REVIEW

Faculty: Schulich School of Business

Department: Schulich School of Business

**Degree Designation**: Concurrent Graduate Diploma Program (Type 2)

**Program**: All Masters Programs at the Schulich School of Business (1. MBA; 2. MAcc; 3. MF; 4. MMGT; 5. MMKG; 6. MREI; 7. MHIA; 8. MBAN; 9. MMAI; 10. MSCM)

Location: Keele Campus

Intended Start Date: September 2024

The Expedited Approval process should be used where there are proposals for:

- A new for-credit graduate diploma (Types 2 and 3 only)
- A new standalone degree program arising from a long-standing field in a Masters or doctoral program that has undergone at least two Cyclical Program Reviews and has at least two graduating cohorts (See Guidance).

Universities may also choose to use this Template if they opt to submit a Major Modification to the Quality Council for review. While not required, this option might be helpful should a university wish to promote the fact that it has received the Quality Council's approval for the proposal and/or for a university that wishes to benefit from the external oversight this Protocol provides. If doing so, the Template may require further adaptations accordingly, but minimally should address the following criteria:

- Proposed major modifications should provide a brief rationale for the changes, as well as:
  - An assessment of the impact of the proposed modification on the program's students;
  - Input from current students and recent graduates of the program considered as part of the development of the proposal;



- A statement on the way in which the proposed major modification will improve the student experience; and
- When changing the mode of delivery to online for all or a significant portion of a program previously delivered in person, it is strongly recommended that the criteria detailed as part of the Process for the Protocol for Major Modifications (Program Renewal and Significant Change) additionally be addressed.

### 1. Program Overview

**1.1** Provide a brief description of the proposed program.

You may also choose to include additional information, such as a description of the consultation process undertaken and/or an analysis of demand for the program. Additionally, you may identify unique curriculum or program innovations, creative components, or significant high impact practices. Where appropriate, include additional elements, for example, consideration of equity, diversity and inclusion, special missions and mandates, and student populations that are being encouraged by governments, institutions, and others.

#### 1.1A. Structure:

The Advanced Management Diploma (AMD) is a two-term (18 credits) graduate diploma that features coursework selected from existing courses in Schulich's professional Masters programs (12 credits) and a graduate placement (6 credits).

#### 1.1B. Types:

We propose to offer AMD as concurrent Graduate Diploma Program (Type 2) (For details see: <u>https://www.yorku.ca/secretariat/policies/policies/senate-guidelines-for-diplomas-faculty-of-graduate-studies/</u>).

The Type 2 diploma will be offered in conjunction with any one of the following Masters degree programs that are offered at the Schulich School of Business: 1. MBA; 2. MAcc; 3. MF; 4. MMGT; 5. MMKG; 6. MREI; 7. MHIA; 8. MBAN; 9. MMAI; 10. MSCM. Only candidates who have already been admitted to one of these Masters programs will be eligible to apply for the type 2 diploma. Of the 18-credit requirement for this diploma, 9 credits will be taken as part of the master degree requirement (see Appendix A for eligible courses in each degree program) and will be counted toward the diploma. The candidate will have to fulfill a unique (to the diploma) 6-credit requirement ("Mandatory Experiential Learning Graduate Placement" - MGMT 5300 6.00) to secure the graduate diploma and a 3-credit requirement (either "Professional Development for Managers" – MGMT 6350 or "Case Analysis and Professional Skills" – MGMT 6300).

Per university regulations, all requirements for the degree and the graduate diploma have to be fulfilled in order for the candidate to be eligible to receive their degree and graduate diploma. Assuming all the degree and graduate diploma requirements are completed, they will be awarded at the same convocation. If a candidate completes their Masters Program degree requirement in one term and their graduate diploma requirement in a subsequent term, the respective certificates will be awarded at the convocations that are closest to the completion dates.

#### 1.1.C. Purpose:

The diploma expands access to high-quality experiential education so that a higher number of Schulich Masters students can graduate having completed an internship.

### 2. Objectives of the Program (QAF 2.1.2.1)

- **2.1** Describe the program's objectives (see <u>definition and guidance from Quality Council</u>). The graduate programs at Schulich (e.g., the MBA and the one-year Masters Programs) do not have an internship component. While this is not required in all cases, in certain cases at least, student feedback has been loud and clear to the effect that an applied and experiential component to the program would be a valuable supplement to the graduate program educational experience. The School itself is committed to ensuring that experiential learning is infused across all our graduate programs. To this end, the School has recently launched an office of Professional Development and Experiential Education (<u>https://teachingandlearning.schulich.yorku.ca/ee-professional-development/</u>). The intent of this diploma is to give those graduate students who seek more experiential education in their graduate education to be able to secure an additional experiential education opportunity.
- **2.2** Describe the degree nomenclature given the program's objectives.

The Graduate Diploma in Advanced Management is the appropriate nomenclature for the credential. The diploma is available to be completed concurrently, which means that in York University Quality Assurance Procedures, it is a Type 2 Graduate Diploma designation. Advanced Management accurately describes the diploma's provision of the opportunity for current students to continue building their professional skills by taking a graduate placement course to apply and synthesize the management principles they learn within the degree program.

**2.3** Describe the consistency of the program with the institution's mission and academic plans.<sup>1</sup>

The proposed diploma will support many of the University's goals as outlined in the 2020-2025 University Academic Plan (UAP), including:

21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning

• Continually reinvent our programs to address emerging issues and labour market needs that call for new pedagogical approaches and cross-disciplinary thinking.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This can include the <u>2020-2025 University Academic Plan</u>, the <u>2018-2023 Strategic Research Plan</u>, the <u>UN</u> <u>Sustainable Development Goals</u> (SDGs), <u>A Framework and Action Plan on Black Inclusion</u>, the <u>Indigenous</u> <u>Framework for York University</u>, and others, along with Faculty plans and frameworks.

- Additional growth and diversification of our international student body, reaching our goal of 20-25% of our students being international.
- Build essential 21st century skills into our programs, including digital fluencies, information literacies, critical thinking, and the ability to ask good questions, marshal evidence, and communicate effectively across varied media.
- Attain our goal of providing every student with an experiential learning opportunity, regardless of program.
- Maximizing our impact by building on the success of Innovation York to expand student, faculty, and community access to entrepreneurial programming and to increase our innovation activities.

The diploma will also contribute to specific metrics in the SMA:

- Institutional strength and focus
- Experiential learning
- Graduate employment earnings
- Skills and competencies

### 3. Program Requirements (<u>QAF 2.1.2.2</u>) and Learning Outcomes

**3.1** Identify the program requirements.

To earn the AMD diploma, students must complete:

- 12.00 credits of courses in the Schulich master's degree in which the student is registered.
- Mandatory Experiential Learning Course- MGMT 5300 6.00

#### **3.2** Identify the Program Learning Outcomes.<sup>2</sup>

Program Learning Outcomes (PLO)

Having taken this diploma, students will....

PLO 1: Demonstrate effective communication (oral and written) skills (communication skills)

PLO 2: Demonstrate the ability to work collaboratively with others (teamwork skills)

PLO 3: Demonstrate the ability to reflect on their ability to motivate others toward common goals (leadership skills)

PLO 4: Demonstrate the ability to synthesize data and to draw meaningful conclusions from it to shape audience perception and action (critical thinking skills)

PLO 5: Demonstrate an understanding of the latest developments in their chosen business discipline (advanced knowledge level)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ideally, a program would have 8-12 <u>Program Learning Outcomes (PLOs)</u> that clearly reflect how the program meets Ontario's <u>Degree Level Expectations</u>. Support for visioning, defining, and mapping your PLOs can be found in the <u>Office of the Vice Provost Academic</u>.

#### **3.3** Describe and/or map how your Program Learning Outcomes map onto Ontario's <u>Degree</u> <u>Level Expectations</u>.

Source: <a href="https://oucqa.ca/framework/appendix-2/">https://oucqa.ca/framework/appendix-2/</a>

	Masters Degree Level Expectations This degree is awarded to students who have demonstrated the following:	Program Learning Outcome (PLO) Mapping to Masters Degree Level Expectations
1. Depth and breadth of knowledge	A systematic understanding of knowledge, including, where appropriate, relevant knowledge outside the field and/or discipline, and a critical awareness of current problems and/or new insights, much of which are at, or informed by, the forefront of their academic discipline, field of study, or area of professional practice.	<ul> <li>PLO 4: Demonstrate the ability to synthesize data and to draw meaningful conclusions from it to shape audience perception and action (critical thinking skills)</li> <li>PLO 5: Demonstrate an understanding in the latest developments in their chosen business discipline (advanced knowledge level)</li> </ul>
2. Research and scholarship	A conceptual understanding and methodological competence that: a) enables a working comprehension of how established techniques of research and inquiry are used to create and interpret knowledge in the discipline; b) enables a critical evaluation of current research and advanced research and scholarship in the discipline or area of professional competence; and c) enables a treatment of complex issues and	<ul> <li>PLO 4: Demonstrate the ability to synthesize data and to draw meaningful conclusions from it to shape audience perception and action (critical thinking skills)</li> <li>PLO 5: Demonstrate an understanding in the latest developments in their chosen business discipline (advanced knowledge level)</li> </ul>

3. Level of application of knowledge	judgments based on established principles and techniques; and, On the basis of that competence, has shown at least one of the following: a) development and support of a sustained argument in written form; or b) originality in the application of knowledge. Competence in the research process by applying an existing body of knowledge in the critical analysis of a new question or of a specific problem or issue in a new setting	PLO 2: Demonstrate the ability to work collaboratively with others (teamwork skills) PLO 3: Demonstrate the ability to reflect on their ability to reflect on their ability to motivate others toward common goals (leadership skills)
4. Professional capacity / autonomy	<ul> <li>a) The qualities and transferable skills necessary for employment requiring:</li> <li>i) exercise of initiative and of personal responsibility and accountability; and</li> <li>ii) decision-making in complex situations;</li> <li>b) The intellectual independence required for continuing professional development;</li> <li>c) The ethical behaviour consistent with academic integrity and the use of appropriate guidelines and procedures for responsible conduct of research; and</li> </ul>	PLO 2: Demonstrate the ability to work collaboratively with others (teamwork skills) PLO 3: Demonstrate the ability to reflect on their ability to motivate others toward common goals (leadership skills)

	d) The ability to appreciate the broader implications of applying knowledge to particular contexts.	
5. Level of communications skills	The ability to communicate ideas, issues and conclusions clearly	PLO 1: Demonstrate effective communication (oral and written) skills (communication skills)
6. Awareness of limits of knowledge	Cognizance of the complexity of knowledge and of the potential contributions of other interpretations, methods, and disciplines.	

**3.4** Describe how the program's structure and requirements meet the program objectives and Program Learning Outcomes.<sup>3</sup> Provide a curriculum map as an appendix.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES AND PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES (PLO)	HOW PROGRAM STRUCTURE AND REQUIREMENTS MEET THE PROGRAM OBJECTIVES AND LEARNING OUTCOMES
Program Objective: To provide students a formal opportunity to undertake experiential learning.	REQUIRED COURSE FOR THE ADVANCED MANAGEMENT DIPLOMA (AMD)MGMT 5300 6.0: Mandatory Experiential LearningThe AMD will have ONE required course – Mandatory Experiential Learning – MGMT 5300 (6 credits). This experiential learning course is designed to give students the opportunity to engage in and reflect upon their experiential learning journey.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The proposal should make a clear distinction between Degree Level Expectations, program objectives, and Program Learning Outcomes (See Quality Council's website for <u>definition and guidance</u> in differentiating these program elements).

	REQUIRED ELECTIVE COURSE FOR THE ADVANCED MANAGEMENT DIPLOMA (AMD)
	The AMD will have ONE elective course. Students can choose between:
	Case Analysis and Presentation Skills – MGMT 6300 (3 credits)
	OR
	Professional Development for Managers – MGMT 6350 (3 credits).
PLO 1: Demonstrate effective communication (oral and written) skills (communication skills)	All of the courses in the AMD have both oral presentation and written assignment components. As such, they all focus on developing and assessing this PLO.
PLO 2: Demonstrate the ability to work collaboratively with others (teamwork skills)	All of the courses in the AMD have a teamwork component. As such, they all focus on developing and assessing this PLO.
PLO 3: Demonstrate the ability to reflect on their ability to motivate others toward common goals (leadership skills)	All of the courses in the AMD have a leadership component. As such, they all focus on developing this PLO. The Mandatory Graduate Placement MGMT 5300 assesses capacity for reflection.
PLO 4: Demonstrate the ability to synthesize data and to draw meaningful conclusions from it to shape audience perception and action (critical thinking skills)	All of the courses in the AMD require students to demonstrate critical thinking skills As such, they all focus on developing and assessing this PLO.
PLO 5: Demonstrate an understanding in the latest developments in their chosen business discipline (advanced knowledge level)	Students in the AMD are required to take 9 credits in their chosen business discipline. As such, they are focused on developing and assessing this PLO.

**3.5** Describe how your program reflects the current state of the discipline or area of study.



The program is designed to integrate best in class theoretical knowledge with a best-in-class experiential learning opportunity.

**3.6** Does your program involve any significant innovative or creative approaches to content and/or delivery, especially relative to other such programs in Ontario or Canada? If so, what are they?

Term 1 (9 credits) will be in-person, and Term 2 (9 credits) including the internship will be remote delivery.

**3.7** Describe how the proposed mode(s) of delivery facilitate students' successful completion of the Program Learning Outcomes.

Term 1: CONCURRENT	Term 2: ADDITIONAL	
(Credits = 9) (Format = In-person) -	(Credits = 9) (Format = Remote)	
Graduate Program Course 1 (3 credits)	Case Analysis and Presentation Skills – MGMT 6300 (3 credits)	
	OR	
	Professional Development for Managers – MGMT 6350 (3 credits).	
	<b>NOTE:</b> If a Masters student has completed both of the above listed courses prior to term 2 of the diploma, then the 3-credit course has to be replaced with another 3- credit course approved by the Pro- gram Director.	
Graduate Program Course 2 (3 credits)	Mandatory Experiential Learning – MGMT 5300 (6 credits)	
Graduate Program Course 3 (3 credits)		

Since the Mandatory Experiential Learning (6 credits) course will require the diploma candidates to be working at client sites that are off-campus, Term 2 is designed to accommodate this by making the Professional Development for Managers (3 credits) or Case Analysis and Presentation Skills (3 credits) courses remote delivery format courses.



#### Program Requirements for graduate programs only (QAF 2.1.2.3)

**3.8** Provide a clear rationale for program length that ensures that students can complete the program-level learning outcomes and requirements within the proposed time period.

Program Length = 2 terms (= 8 months). All of the PLOs will be attained across the 18 credits that are spread across 2 terms (9 credits in term 1 and 9 credits in term 2).

- **3.9** Provide evidence that each graduate student is required to take a minimum of two-thirds of the course requirements from among graduate-level courses.
- The AMD is a graduate-level diploma. As such, all the courses will be graduate-level courses.
- **3.10** For research-focused graduate programs, provide a clear indication of the nature and suitability of the major research requirements for degree completion.

Not applicable. This is an experiential learning-focused program.

### 4. Assessment of Teaching and Learning (QAF 2.1.2.4)

**4.1** Describe the methods for assessing student achievement of the Program Learning Outcomes and <u>Degree Level Expectations</u> and the appropriateness of these methods.<sup>4</sup>

	Masters Degree Level Expectations This degree is awarded to students who have demonstrated the following:	Program Learning Outcome (PLO) Mapping to Masters Degree Level Expectations	Courses and Assessment
1. Depth and breadth of knowledge	A systematic understanding of knowledge, including, where appropriate, relevant knowledge outside the field and/or discipline, and a critical awareness of	PLO 4: Demonstrate the ability to synthesize data and to draw meaningful conclusions from it to shape audience perception and action (critical thinking skills)	Courses = Graduate Program Courses (9 credits) Assessment = Presentations; Exams

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Programs should ensure that the plans for monitoring and assessing student achievement provide an assessment of students currently enrolled in the program, as well as post graduation metrics for alumni. Please see guide on <u>Assessment of Teaching and Learning</u> from Quality Council on how to satisfy these criteria.



	current problems and/or new insights, much of which are at, or informed by, the forefront of their academic discipline, field of study, or area of professional practice.	PLO 5: Demonstrate an understanding in the latest developments in their chosen business discipline (advanced knowledge level)	
2. Research and scholarship	A conceptual understanding and methodological competence that: a) enables a working comprehension of how established techniques of research and inquiry are used to create and interpret knowledge in the discipline; b) enables a critical evaluation of current research and advanced research and scholarship in the discipline or area of professional competence; and c) enables a treatment of complex issues and judgments based on established principles and techniques; and, On the basis of that competence, has shown at least one of the following: a) development and support of a sustained	<ul> <li>PLO 4: Demonstrate the ability to synthesize data and to draw meaningful conclusions from it to shape audience perception and action (critical thinking skills)</li> <li>PLO 5: Demonstrate an understanding in the latest developments in their chosen business discipline (advanced knowledge level)</li> </ul>	Courses = Graduate Program Courses (9 credits) AND Mandatory Experiential Learning (6 credits) Assessment = Presentations; Reflection Papers; Exams



3. Level of application of knowledge	argument in written form; or b) originality in the application of knowledge. Competence in the research process by applying an existing	PLO 2: Demonstrate the ability to work collaboratively with	Courses = Graduate Program
	body of knowledge in the critical analysis of a new question or of a specific problem or issue in a new setting	others (teamwork skills) PLO 3: Demonstrate the ability to reflect on their ability to motivate others toward common goals (leadership skills)	Courses (9 credits) AND Mandatory Experiential Learning (6 credits) Assessment = Presentations; Reflection
4. Professional capacity / autonomy	<ul> <li>a) The qualities and transferable skills necessary for employment requiring:</li> <li>i) exercise of initiative and of personal responsibility and accountability; and ii) decision-making in complex situations;</li> <li>b) The intellectual independence required for continuing professional development;</li> <li>c) The ethical behaviour consistent with academic integrity and the use of appropriate guidelines and procedures for</li> </ul>	PLO 2: Demonstrate the ability to work collaboratively with others (teamwork skills) PLO 3: Demonstrate the ability to reflect on their ability to motivate others toward common goals (leadership skills)	Papers; ExamsProfessionalDevelopmentCourse (3credits)Assessment =Presentations;ReflectionPapers

	responsible conduct of research; and d) The ability to appreciate the broader implications of applying knowledge to particular contexts.		
5. Level of communications skills	The ability to communicate ideas, issues and conclusions clearly	PLO 1: Demonstrate effective communication (oral and written) skills (communication skills)	Professional Development Course (3 credits) Assessment = Presentations; Reflection Papers
6. Awareness of limits of knowledge	Cognizance of the complexity of knowledge and of the potential contributions of other interpretations, methods, and disciplines.		

The grading and assessment process will be consistent with that are used in other Schulich Masters programs. Overall course grades will be based on the student's performance on the various assessments of the courses, including written assignments, case analyses, teamwork, presentations, examinations (mid-term tests and final examinations), and their contribution to class participation and learning. Assignments, exercises, or exams will also serve to assess the achievement of the learning outcomes.

The program has also established a detailed assurance of learning (AoL) plan for the purposes of demonstrating and documenting students' performance levels with respect to the program's learning outcomes and DLEs. Each program-level learning outcome will be measured by an individually completed assessment embedded in a particular course throughout the curriculum (see a list of final assessments in Appendix 6). Student performance on these final assessments will be assessed against pre-established performance benchmarks, conveyed through the use of rubrics where appropriate.

The assessment of students' performance levels with regard to learning outcomes will be supported by Schulich's learning management system, Canvas. This system offers learning outcome functionality in which outcomes can be set and aligned at both the course and program levels, and assessments can be aligned to outcomes through the use of course-specific or program-wide grading rubrics. The grading of student work in Canvas results in the automatic collection and compilation of data on student progress and allows for the tracking and reporting of performance levels to support the enhancement of curriculum and teaching, the identification of at-risk students, and reporting requirements for accreditation processes. The performance data will serve as the basis of the program's assurance of learning plan, enable evidence-based decision-making with regards to the identification of gaps in student performance in relation to the expected learning outcomes, and enable the 'closing of the loop' on its curricular improvement initiatives (course or program level modifications) undertaken to address these gaps. The student performance data from Canvas will be used to prepare assurance of learning reports for the program director to review after the completion of each academic year. These reports will indicate student performance data on the assessments tied to each outcome, and when compared against the program's benchmarks for achievement, are intended to serve as a guide for the program director in determining whether any course and program modifications may be needed to better enable students to achieve the learning outcomes of the program.

STAGE	ACTIONS
Input Stage (Student Recruitment)	We will require students to be in good academic standing in their Masters Program. While at the outset the requirement may simply be for them to have passed their prior courses, we may increase this over time to a B/B+ average requirement for them to enroll in the AMD.
Throughput Stage (Program Experience)	We will conduct student surveys and focus groups to ensure that the program experience is on track for the students and they are not experiencing any undue hardships. We will also talk to the clients and the instructors to ensure that the graduate placement experience is on track.
Output Stage (Client Outcomes)	We will meet with clients post-placement to ensure that their goals have been fulfilled. We will incorporate their feedback into the design of the Mandatory Experiential Learning course.

**4.2** Describe the program's plans to monitor and assess the overall quality of the program.

**4.3** Describe the program's plans to monitor and assess whether the program is achieving in practice its proposed objectives.

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As noted above, continual engagement with the stakeholders, namely, the students, the instructors, program directors, and the clients, to ensure that program objectives are being attained.

**4.4** Describe the program's plans to monitor and assess whether its students are achieving the Program Learning Outcomes.

The program learning outcomes are reflected in the learning outcomes of the individual courses. Each course will have multiple evaluation components. As part of the School's drive toward AACSB accreditation (https://www.aacsb.edu/educators/accreditation), we will be required to identify specific components from specific courses that best reflect program-level outcomes. We will be formally evaluating student attainment of the program learning objectives by monitoring student performance on the chosen components over a period of time.

**4.5** Describe the program's plans for how the resulting information will be documented and subsequently used to inform continuous program improvement.

The program will be subject to review both by the Continuous Program Review (CPR) process as well as the AACSB process. We will be required to periodically provide reports on program attainment of the learning outcomes. Where we fall short, we will initiate remedial action. The intent, however, is to have an on-going evaluation system of feedback with stakeholders to ensure that we catch mis-steps and rectify them at early stages.

### 5. Admission Requirements (<u>QAF 2.1.2.5</u>)

**5.1** Describe the program's admission requirements and their appropriateness, given the program objectives and Program Learning Outcomes.

We will require students to be in good academic standing in any one of the following Masters Programs at the Schulich School of Business: 1. MBA; 2. MAcc; 3. MF; 4. MMGT; 5. MMKG; 6. MREI; 7. MHIA; 8. MBAN; 9. MMAI; 10. MSCM.

**5.2** Describe any applicable alternative admission requirements (e.g., minimum grade point average, additional languages or portfolios, and how the program recognizes prior work or learning experience.)

Not Applicable

### 6. Resources (<u>QAF 2.1.2.6</u>)

**6.1** Describe the planned/anticipated class sizes.

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- 50-100 students per year at steady state.
- **6.2** Given the program's planned/anticipated class sizes and cohorts, as well as its Program Learning Outcomes, provide evidence of participation of a sufficient number and quality of core faculty who are competent to teach and/or supervise in and achieve the goals of the program and foster the appropriate academic environment. Note that it may be helpful to create a table or map detailing faculty teaching assignments.

Course	Instructor
Graduate Program Course 1 (3.0)	Regular Program Instructor
Graduate Program Course 2 (3.0)	Regular Program Instructor
Graduate Program Course 3 (3.0)	Regular Program Instructor
Professional Development for Managers – MGMT 6350	Dr. Minerva Cernea
Case Analysis and Presentation Skills – MGMT 6300	Ashwin Joshi
Mandatory Experiential Learning – MGMT 5300	Dr. Minerva Cernea/ Kiridaran Kanagaretnam

**6.3** As applicable, and given the program's planned/anticipated class sizes and cohorts, as well as its Program Learning Outcomes, discuss and/or explain the role and approximate percentage of adjunct/part-time faculty/limited term appointments<sup>5</sup> used in the delivery of the program, including plans to ensure the sustainability of the program and the quality of the student experience.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> For programs in which sessional/adjunct faculty have a large role, provide evidence of a long-term plan to ensure that a sustainable, quality program will be delivered when a large proportion of the courses are to be taught by sessional instructors/adjunct faculty. This should include a rationale for the use of a large number of sessional faculty for program delivery, how and from where sessional instructors will be recruited, concrete plans for how a stable and consistent approach to teaching the Program Learning Outcomes will be ensured, and information regarding how a consistent assessment of the students' achievement of these learning outcomes will be maintained under these circumstances.

Dr. Minerva Cernea (Associate Director, Head of the Professional Development and Experiential Education Office) will be tasked with developing and delivering the Professional Development course as well as the Mandatory Experiential Learning course. She has extensive experience in both of these domains. As the Head of Professional Development and Experiential Education Office at Schulich, Dr. Cernea is ideally suited to teach and deliver these courses. Details on the office can be found here: <u>https://teachingandlearning.schulich.yorku.ca/ee-professional-development/</u>

Part-time instructors will be hired from the pool of qualified instructors already teaching at Schulich as well as through the networks of the program director and the Associate Director of the Professional Development and Experiential Education Office. Schulich part-time instructors play an important role in the success of the School's programs; they bring real-world experience into the classroom to enrich lectures, case analyses, assignments, projects, presentations, and students' performance in the "real world" of management. As expert in their fields of specialization, contract instructors are very good at imparting practice-rich knowledge, which is in line with the goal of this diploma program. The part-time instructors teaching in the AMD will be selected because they are highly experienced professionals and are recognized experts in their respective fields of practice. They will also be teaching courses in which on-the-ground experience is particularly important. The Associate Dean Students and the Associate Dean Programs will work closely with the instructors to ensure that they understand, amongst other matters, the important role of the learning outcomes of the program and will guide them and provide resources to ensure a consistent approach to the assessment of achievement of the outcomes.

**6.4** If applicable, given the program's planned/anticipated class sizes and cohorts, as well as its Program Learning Outcomes, describe the program's experiential learning components (this includes classroom-based activities, community-based learning, and internships and placements) as well as the provision of supervision of these components.

This course offers students the opportunity to gain relevant work experience to complement and reflect upon classroom learnings during their graduate program at the Schulich School of Business. Learning by doing represents a key strategy for impactful management education. Learning consists of four stages: (1) concrete experience ("DO"), (2) reflective observation ("OBSERVE"), (3) abstract conceptualization ("THINK") and (4) knowledge transfer or active experimentation ("PLAN"). It is through the sequencing of these four activities that the dual outcome of learning course material, as well as developing critical thinking, can be attained. Therefore, this course offers students the opportunity to earn credit for gaining work-focused experience while reflecting upon the management theories and concepts as well as using their cultural and language skills acquired in your program thus far. The objective is to improve theoretical understanding through practical knowledge and vice versa. Innovative managers and business leaders always combine both. Therefore, a placement such as this one not only adds to a student's professional portfolio, but also represents a key building block for a successful career in management. Students may obtain such an immersive experience by directly working for an organization, under the supervision of an experienced manager, assigned to specific tasks within a department or division of a large organization or across multiple parts of a

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smaller organization or start up. As part of the diploma, students follow their placement in the organization with a reflection paper that captures the experience, the learnings, the connections with theories covered in their academic studies and a specific plan of new behaviors and enhancement of their managerial skills. The written reflection element is a critical component of this course. It is submitted to the diploma director within 2 weeks following the completion of the placement part.

**6.5** Describe the administrative unit's planned use of existing human, physical, and financial resources, including implications for other existing programs at the university as well as any additional institutional resource commitments to support the program in step with its ongoing implementation.

#### **Physical Space**

The first term is concurrent with existing graduate programs and the second term is entirely remote. As such, there are no net new physical space requirements.

#### **Staff Resources**

Staffing will be through the Professional Development and Experiential Education Office (<u>https://teachingandlearning.schulich.yorku.ca/ee-professional-development/)</u>. As the program grows, it will need net new staff to source internships. The revenues generated from the program will self-support additional staff costs.

**6.6** Provide evidence that there are adequate resources to sustain the quality of scholarship and research activities produced by students, including library support, information technology support, and laboratory access.

Please see the attached statement from York University Libraries.

**6.7** If necessary, provide evidence of additional institutional resource commitments to support the program in step with its ongoing implementation.

Please see the attached decanal support statement indicating no additional resources will be required to support the diploma.

#### Resources for Graduate Programs Only (<u>QAF 2.1.2.7</u>)

**6.8** Given the program's planned/anticipated class sizes and cohorts, as well as its Program Learning Outcomes, provide evidence that faculty have the recent research or professional/clinical expertise needed to sustain the program, promote innovation and foster an appropriate intellectual climate.



As this is not a research-based program, no special financial support will be provided other than the financial aid and scholarships that are generally available to Schulich masters-level students. Similarly, there is no need for research supervisors.

**6.9** Where appropriate to the program, and given the program's planned/anticipated class sizes and cohorts, provide evidence that financial assistance for students will be sufficient to ensure adequate quality and numbers of students.

As this is not a research-based program, no special financial support will be provided other than the financial aid and scholarships that are generally available to Schulich masters-level students. Similarly, there is no need for research supervisors.

**6.10** Where appropriate to the program, and given the program's planned/anticipated class sizes and cohorts, provide evidence of how supervisory loads will be distributed, in light of qualifications and appointment status of the faculty who will provide instruction and supervision.

There are no research requirements for the diploma that would require supervision outside of coursework. The Associate Dean Students, the Associate Dean Programs and the Program Director of the AMD will, on a periodic basis, evaluate the course and its deliverables to ensure alignment with and fulfillment of the program learning outcome.

### 7. Quality and Other Indicators (QAF 2.1.2.8)

**7.1** Provide evidence of quality of the faculty (e.g., qualifications, funding, honours, awards, research, innovation, and scholarly record; appropriateness of collective faculty expertise to contribute substantively to the program and commitment to student mentoring)<sup>6</sup> and staff to achieve the goals of the program.

Dr. Minerva Cernea (Associate Director, Head of the Professional Development and Experiential Education Office) will be tasked with developing and delivering the courses in this diploma program. She has extensive experience in both of these domains. As the Head of Professional Development and Experiential Education Office at Schulich, Dr. Cernea is ideally suited to teach and deliver these courses. Details on the office can be found here: https://teachingandlearning.schulich.yorku.ca/ee-professional-development/



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> This section is distinguished from the section on <u>Resources</u> (questions 25-31) (<u>OAF 2.1.2.6 a</u>) in its focus on the quality of the faculty and their capacity to ensure the intellectual quality of the student experience, whereas questions 25-31 (<u>OAF 2.1.2.6 a</u>) addresses whether sufficient numbers of core faculty are available to cover the program's teaching/supervision duties.

**7.2** Provide evidence of additional elements of the program and faculty that will ensure the intellectual quality of the student experience.

Please see the faculty CVs attached as a separate file.



Appendix A: Course Requirements by Degree Program

## REQUIREMENTS FOR ADVANCED MANAGEMENT DIPLOMA - MACC

PROGRAM	ONE Contextual Orientation Course (3 credits)	THREE Specialist Courses (9 credits)	ONE Experiential Learning Course (6 credits) – this is the final add-on term (Luba; Ann; Minerva) – Mandate: outline, process, immigration, etc.
1.MACC	ACTG 6301 3.00 INTEGRATIVE CASE ANALYSIS FOR ACCOUNTANTS	ACTG 6550 1.50 ADVANCED MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTING; ACTG 6201 1.50 MULTI-COMPETENCY CASE ANALYSIS FOR ACCOUNTANTS ACTG 6720 3.00 ADVANCED INCOME TAXATION ACTG 6250 3.00 FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ANALYSIS	

## REQUIREMENTS FOR ADVANCED MANAGEMENT DIPLOMA - MF

PROGRAM	ONE Contextual Orientation Course (3 credits)	THREE Specialist Courses (9 credits)	ONE Experiential Learning Course (6 credits) – this is the final add-on term (Luba; Ann; Minerva) – Mandate: outline, process, immigration, etc.
2.MF	MFIN 5200 3.00 FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND VALUATION MFIN 5050 0.00 PROFESSIONAL SEMINAR SERIES	FINE 6310 3.00 APPLICATIONS OF DATA SCIENCE IN FINANCE MFIN 5600 3.00 INSTITUTIONAL WEALTH MANAGEMENT FINE 6800 3.00 OPTIONS, FUTURES & OTHER DERIVATIVE SECURITIES	

## **REQUIREMENTS FOR ADVANCED MANAGEMENT DIPLOMA -**

## MMGT

PROGRAM	ONE Contextual Orientation Course (3 credits)	THREE Specialist Courses (9 credits)	ONE Experiential Learning Course (6 credits) – this is the final add-on term (Luba; Ann; Minerva) – Mandate: outline, process, immigration, etc.
3. MMGT	MSTM 5050 3.00 BUSINESS AND SUSTAINABILITY	MKTG 5200 3.00 MARKETING MANAGEMENT MSTM 5220 3.00 MANAGERIAL FINANCE MSTM 5210 3.00 DESIGN AND MANAGEMENT OF ORGANIZATIONAL PROCESSES	

	REQUIREMENTS FOR ADVANCED MANAGEMENT DIPLOMA - MMKG			
PROGRAM	I ONE Contextual Orientation Course (3 credits)	THREE Specialist Courses (9 credits)	ONE Experiential Learning Course (6 credits) – this is the final add-on term (Luba; Ann; Minerva) – Mandate: outline, process, immigration, etc.	
4. MMKG	MSTM 5000 3.00 BUSINESS COMMUNICATION AND TEAM DYNAMICS	MKTG 6140 3.00 CONSUMER INSIGHTS MKTG 6370 3.00 MARKETING ANALYTICS MKTG 6560 3.00 DIGITAL MARKETING STRATEGY		

## REQUIREMENTS FOR ADVANCED MANAGEMENT DIPLOMA - MREI

PROGRAM	ONE Contextual Orientation Course (3 credits)	THREE Specialist Courses (9 credits)	ONE Experiential Learning Course (6 credits) – this is the final add-on term (Luba; Ann; Minerva) – Mandate: outline, process, immigration, etc.
5. MREI	PROP 6050 3.00 CHANGING LANDSCAPES - HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES ON THE INDUSTRY	PROP 6450 3.00 LIFE OF A PROJECT PROP 6550 3.00 SUSTAINABLE CITIES URBANIZATION INFRASTRUCTURE & STRATEGIC CHOICES PROP 6850 3.00 STRUCTURING DEVELOPMENT TRANSACTIONS	

# REQUIREMENTS FOR ADVANCED MANAGEMENT DIPLOMA - MSCM

PROGRAM	ONE Contextual Orientation Course (3 credits)	THREE Specialist Courses (9 credits)	ONE Experiential Learning Course (6 credits) – this is the final add-on term (Luba; Ann; Minerva) – Mandate: outline, process, immigration, etc.
6. MSCM	MSTM 5000 3.00 BUSINESS COMMUNICATION AND TEAM DYNAMICS	OMIS 6200 3.00 STRATEGIC SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT OMIS 6210 3.00 TRANSPORTATION AND LOGISTICS MANAGEMENT OMIS 6220 3.00 SUPPLY RELATIONSHIP MANAGEMENT	

## **REQUIREMENTS FOR ADVANCED MANAGEMENT DIPLOMA - MHIA**

PROGRAM	ONE Contextual Orientation Course (3 credits)	THREE Specialist Courses (9 credits)	ONE Experiential Learning Course (6 credits) – this is the final add-on term (Luba; Ann; Minerva) – Mandate: outline, process, immigration, etc.
7. MHIA	MSTM 5210 3.00 DESIGN AND MANAGEMENT OF ORGANIZATIONAL PROCESSES	MHIA 6120 3.00 LEADERSHIP & HEALTHCARE STRATEGY HIMP 6150 3.00 ECONOMICS OF HEALTHCARE HIMP 6180 3.00 ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND INNOVATION IN HEALTHCARE	

# REQUIREMENTS FOR ADVANCED MANAGEMENT DIPLOMA - MBAN

PROGRAM	ONE Contextual Orientation Course (3 credits)	THREE Specialist Courses (9 credits)	ONE Experiential Learning Course (6 credits) – this is the final add-on term (Luba; Ann; Minerva) – Mandate: outline, process, immigration, etc.
8. MBAN	MGMT 6300 3.00 CASE ANALYSIS AND PRESENTATION SKILLS	MBAN 5110 3.00 PREDICTIVE MODELLING MBAN 6120 3.00 DATA SCIENCE II OMIS 6000 3.00 MODELS & APPLICATIONS IN OPERATIONAL RESEARCH	

## REQUIREMENTS FOR ADVANCED MANAGEMENT DIPLOMA - MMAI

PROGRAM	ONE Contextual Orientation Course (3 credits)	THREE Specialist Courses (9 credits)	ONE Experiential Learning Course (6 credits) – this is the final add-on term (Luba; Ann; Minerva) – Mandate: outline, process, immigration, etc.
9. MMAI	MGMT 6300 3.00 CASE ANALYSIS AND PRESENTATION SKILLS	MBAN 5140 3.00 VISUAL ANALYTICS AND MODELLING MMAI 5040 3.00 BUSINESS APPLICATIONS OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE I MGMT 6700 3.00 PROJECT MANAGEMENT	

## REQUIREMENTS FOR ADVANCED MANAGEMENT DIPLOMA - MBA

PROGRAM	ONE Contextual Orientation Course (3 credits)		ONE Experiential Learning Course (6 credits) – this is the final add-on term (Luba; Ann; Minerva) – Mandate: outline, process, immigration, etc.
<b>10. MBA</b>	MGMT 5150 3.00 SKILLS FOR LEADERSHIP	ACTG 5100 3.00 FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING FOR MANAGERS FINE 5200 3.00 MANAGERIAL FINANCE OMIS 5120 1.50 QUANTITATIVE METHODS OMIS 5210 1.50 OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT	

Advanced Management Diploma Curriculum Map	Graduate Degree Program Courses 1-3 (9.00 credits total)	Professional Development for Managers- MGMT 6350 3.00 <b>OR</b> Case Analysis and Presentation Skills- MGMT 6300 3.00	Mandatory Experiential Learning Graduate Placement- MGMT 5300 6.00
<b>Diploma Program Learning</b> <b>Outcome 1</b> : Demonstrate effective oral and written communication skills	D/A	D/A	A/R
Diploma Program Learning Outcome 2: Demonstrate the ability to work collaboratively with others	D/A	D/A	A/R
Diploma Program Learning Outcome 3: Demonstrate the ability to reflect on their ability to motivate others toward common goals	D	D	A
Diploma Program Learning Outcome 4: Demonstrate the ability to synthesize data and to draw meaningful conclusions from it to shape audience perception and action	D/A	D/A	A/R
Diploma Program Learning Outcome 5: Demonstrate an understanding in the latest developments in their chosen business discipline D= Develop A= Assess (Sumn	D/A native) R= Reinforce		D/A
Appendix C: Library Statement and YUL Dean's Letter



## MEMORANDUM York University Libraries

To: Kathryn Doyle, Director, Academic Affairs, Schulich School of Business

**From:** Sophie Bury, Teaching and Learning Librarian, Student Learning and Academic Success Department, York University Libraries

Date: February 1st, 2024

**Subject:** Library Statement of Support – Advanced Management Diploma, Schulich School of Business

## **Overview**

A core mission of York University Libraries is to support all academic programs offered by York University. The Libraries achieve this through responsive collections, tailored library instruction, diverse spaces, emerging technologies, timely research assistance and robust publishing supports.

This statement highlights existing library resources and services which can support this program, which will be offered in conjunction with 10 different master degree programs at Schulich, and where students must be concurrently enrolled in one of those programs. Note that a majority of credits in this new Diploma program can be drawn from already existing and approved Schulich masters courses.

This statement has been prepared in accordance with the <u>Quality Assurance Framework</u> and conforms to guidelines developed by the Ontario Universities Council on Quality Assurance.

## Collections

### **Responsive Multidisciplinary Collections**

The Libraries' collections reflect the curricular and research priorities of students and faculty. Care is given to select materials that align with new courses taught at York University, as well as emerging research and publishing trends. Through tailored purchasing profiles, the Libraries develop rich print collections and expansive electronic offerings. The Content Development and Analysis department gratefully accepts suggestions for purchase. These are reviewed with attention to cost, availability, and relevance to collection development priorities.

Collaborative collection building is a growing trend in academic libraries, as it allows libraries to pool resources for both sustainability and the greater good. York University Libraries belong to consortia such as the <u>Canadian</u> <u>Research Knowledge Network (CRKN)</u> and the <u>Ontario Council of University Libraries (OCUL)</u>. Such partnerships enable the licensing of large-scale content acquisitions, resource discovery systems and digital

preservation. OCUL's <u>Scholars Portal</u> hosts comprehensive collections of eBooks, online journals, statistical survey data and geospatial datasets.

Omni, the Libraries' discovery tool, bringing our collections together with those of 18 partner Ontario university libraries, gives access to a wide variety of resources through a single bilingual (French/English) interface, including books, eBooks and their chapters, articles, dissertations, streaming media and much more. Library users can also request expedited delivery of print materials from the partner libraries. Items not part of this shared network can be borrowed from libraries around the world.

## Highlights

A complete listing of the relevant business research databases the Libraries subscribes to can be located on the <u>Business Resources A-Z List webpage</u>. The following is a list of resources that York University Libraries subscribe to that are of particular use to students enrolled in the Diploma in Advanced Management where students can select a majority of their courses from ten already approved masters degree programs at the Schulich School of Business.

### **Company Research Databases**

- Mergent Online
- Mergent Intellect
- Hoovers
- Bloomberg
- S&P Capital IQ
- PrivCo
- SNL Metals & Mining
- Sustainalytics

### **Industry and Market Research Databases**

- IBISworld
- Marketline Advantage
- Passport
- Statista
- FitchConnect
- SimplyAnalytics (Canadian and U.S. content)
- Gartner Intraweb
- Dapresy (provides access to Vividata's Survey of the Canadian Consumer dataset)
- World Advertising Research Center
- Procurement IQ
- Preqin

### Finance, Accounting & Tax Research Databases

- Bloomberg
- S&P Capital IQ
- Datastream via the Eikon platform
- MorningStar Direct
- CPA Canada Standards and Guidance Collection via Knotia
- International Financial Reporting Standards via Knotia
- TaxFind and TaxNotes

## **Business Scholarly and Trade Article Research Databases**

- Proquest Business Databases
- Business Source Complete

### Newspaper / Magazine Collections

- Factiva
- Nexis Uni
- Press Reader
- Eureka.cc
- Canadian Major Dailies

### eBook Platforms

- Greenleaf Online Library
- De Gruyter eBooks
- Elgar Online
- Oxford Scholarship Online
- Cambridge Core
- Taylor & Francies eBooks
- ProQuest eBook Central
- Scholars Portal Books

### **Streaming Media**

- LinkedIn Learning
- Sage Research Methods
- Films on Demand

## **Archives and Special Collections**

The Clara Thomas Archives and Special Collections acquires manuscripts, rare books, and primary source materials. It also preserves records that document the history and evolution of York University. These unique collections are carefully curated to support the research and learning of faculty, students, and a community of international scholars – now and in the future. Archivists host hands-on workshops in the Archives reading room, teaching students how to handle and evaluate archival material.

## **Library Instruction**

## **Information Literacy**

Librarians and archivists apply professional guidelines when designing library instruction. The <u>Framework for</u> <u>Information Literacy for Higher Education</u>, developed by the Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL), outlines the central concepts and knowledge practices for information literacy.

The Libraries' approaches to teaching are tailored and learner centered. Students are gradually introduced to information literacy fundamentals over the course of their studies. Librarians and archivists support students along their learning journeys, progressively moving them towards greater independence and understanding.

Library personnel are able to work with instructors to customize offerings and meet learner needs. Instructors can <u>arrange a research skills class</u> by submitting a request online. When librarians teach an information literacy session for a specific business course, the content is aligned with the course's assignments and learning objectives.

## **Instruction Highlights**

### Asynchronous Business Research Learning Resources

• York University Libraries also maintains a set of step-by-step database tutorials to support students in learning how to use business databases more effectively to retrieve data and information for their business research assignments. A complete listing of the step-by-step database tutorials can be found on the <u>Step-by-Step Business Research Tutorials webpage</u>.

• The H5P self-paced module with in-built, self-check activities and instructional videos, titled <u>Getting</u> <u>Started with Business Research</u> is designed to help both undergraduate and graduate business students get started with learning key tools and databases to support research in business programs.

### Workshops

The Libraries offer the following co-curricular workshops on topics that may be of interest to students enrolled in the Diploma in Advanced Management. Depending on the topic, these workshops are offered both in-person or synchronously via Zoom:

- Road to Research Success: How to Find Scholarly Articles and Books Through YorkU Libraries
- Academic Integrity: How to Stop Worrying About It
- Introduction to Zotero: Make Citing Easier
- Creating a Data Management Plan (DMP) for Your Research Project

A full list of <u>workshop offerings</u> for York University Libraries is available on the library web site.

### **Research Guides**

Librarians and archivists build <u>online research guides</u> to highlight recommended resources for programs or courses and to share research tips. The Student Learning and Academic Success department develops <u>online</u> <u>learning objects</u> such as instructional videos and self-paced modules. These teaching resources are designed to be easily embedded into learning management systems. Topics covered range from source evaluation and the information creation lifecycle to search strategies and academic integrity.

Additionally, a complete listing of the Business Research Guides can be located on the <u>Peter F. Bronfman</u> <u>Business Library Guides webpage</u>. The following is a list of guides that could be useful to students in the Diploma in Advanced Management depending on the credit courses they are taking across the ten Masters programs that might apply:

- <u>Company Research Guide</u>
- Industry Research Guide
- Market Research Guide
- Finance Research Guide
- <u>Accounting Research Guide</u>
- <u>Corporate Governance Research Guide</u>
- Health Industry Administration
- Mining Management
- Supply Chain Management
- Business Articles Research Guide
- <u>Business Citation Guide</u> (specific focus on APA and MLA citation styles)
- <u>Career Research for Business Students</u>

## **Digital Fluency**

The Libraries carry out co-curricular programming to introduce students and faculty to emerging digital tools and research methods. The <u>Digital Scholarship Centre</u> provides training for individuals and groups. Workshops address a range of digital skills, such as data scraping, analysis, cleaning, curation, and visualization. As well, the Centre connects with instructors to design seminars that expose students to trends in open publishing, media creation and digitization best practices. Faculty can <u>arrange a digital skills seminar</u> by submitting a request online.

As part of the Centre's <u>consultation services</u>, library personnel supply recommendations for sustainable and open-source tools. For instance, librarians assist with locating and creating <u>Open Educational Resources</u> (<u>OER</u>) such as freely available textbooks with Creative Commons licenses. They also support students with research project design, notably for initiatives with a focus on the digital humanities. Furthermore, librarians and archivists consult on how to incorporate unique digital collections stewarded by the Libraries into assignments (e.g., <u>York University Digital Libraries</u>).

### **Additional Teaching Support Materials**

- Student Papers & Academic Research Kit (SPARK)
- Media Creation Lab teaching supports (e.g., podcasting, digital storytelling, etc.)
- <u>On-demand tutorials</u> (e.g., Zotero, Scalar, digitization projects, etc.)

## **Spaces and Technologies**

### Amenities for Quiet Study, Collaboration and Creation

The Libraries host a variety of community spaces that inspire creativity, collaboration, and learning, with quiet study areas, group study rooms and public workstations. For students in online or hybrid courses there are reservable seats designated as "online class friendly," where learners can use conferencing tools without interruptions or distractions.

The <u>Media Creation Lab</u> in the Scott Library is equipped with design tools for recording, editing, visualizations and augmented reality. Students and faculty can reserve workstations fitted with the latest software for media production and gaming. The planned makerspace at the Markham campus will also feature 3D printers, electronic textiles and sewing machines.

With equipment lending, the Libraries create more equitable access to novel technologies. Students and faculty can borrow devices such as tablets, laptops, virtual reality helmets, cameras, and programming kits.

### Highlights

- The Peter F. Bronfman Business Library, which is located on the second floor of the Seymour Schulich Building, provides students with a variety of spaces to meet their learning needs. This includes:
  - o Individual study carrels
  - Six bookable group study rooms
  - A separate study room on the second floor of the Library for students enrolled in online classes
  - Lounge seating
  - Computer workstations

On the first floor of the Scott Library, <u>Library Accessibility Services</u> provides alternative content formats, as well as adaptive technologies and spaces. With a referral, York University faculty and students can request transcription services or reserve an accessibility lab workstation.

## **Research Assistance**

### Timely Help, Remote or In-Person

Our knowledgeable reference team assists faculty and students with navigating library spaces, services, and collections. Library personnel provide online research assistance in both English and French via chat, and email. <u>Research help services</u> are available seven days a week, with modified hours during the spring and summer.

Students and faculty have the option of in-person or chat assistance, with no appointment necessary. In general, members of the Libraries' Curriculum and Course Support department help locate sources, recommend electronic resources, discuss search strategies, and demonstrate citation management tools. For

more involved research queries, students and faculty can book one-hour <u>research consultations</u> with a specialist librarian or archivist, including business librarians.

The <u>Learning Commons</u> is a collaboration promoting support services for student success. In collaboration with the Libraries, representatives from partner providers offer coaching to help students improve their communication and academic skills. This includes programming on writing skills, career planning, time management, study skills, citing and exam preparation.

### **Data services**

<u>Library data services experts</u> can help researchers locate numeric data or statistics. They also provide classroom instruction about data and statistics resources in general or in specific subject areas, as well as data literacy.

## **Publishing Supports**

### **Research Visibility and Publishing Sustainability**

The Open Scholarship department promotes research intensification within the university community and beyond. Department members work closely with faculty and students to advance open access publishing models and author rights. Advocating for a shift to new models of dissemination is a core mission of the Libraries. Sharing new knowledge openly benefits both creators and society: publications are easily discovered by anyone, while authors control how their work is shared and repurposed.

The Libraries provide infrastructure to support open publishing models. For example, the Libraries maintains <u>YorkSpace</u>, York's institutional repository. YorkSpace delivers open and permanent access to scholarship created by York faculty, students, staff, and affiliated members. Librarians and library staff assist graduate students and faculty with depositing their research into YorkSpace. Additionally, library personnel also offer guidance on establishing or transferring scholar-led journals to <u>York Digital Journals</u>.

### **Research Data Management**

Research data management (RDM) concerns the storage, access, and preservation of data throughout the entire research project life cycle. <u>Support</u> is available on all aspects of this process, from the data management plans necessary in grant applications to the publishing and preservation of research data.



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# Memorandum

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York University Libraries (YUL) is strongly positioned to support the curriculum and research needs of students and faculty in the Advanced Management Diploma Program. As noted in the Statement of Library Support, YUL provides access to an extensive array of resources and services that support the academic engagement of students and faculty in this program, inclusive of experiential education opportunities.

We encourage the program to connect with YUL to explore curricular integration opportunities with the Media Creation Lab, as the Libraries offer resources for faculty to integrate VR, audio and video-based assignments and activities into coursework.

The Libraries look forward to maintaining its important working relationship with faculty in the Advanced Management Diploma Program to ensure that the Libraries have the resources in place to support the teaching, learning and research needs of students and faculty.

cc: Sheril Hook, Associate Dean Libraries, Teaching and Learning Sophie Bury, Teaching and Learning Librarian, Student Learning & Academic Success Department





## Statement of Support from Anchor Dean

# Memorandum

То:	Marcia Annisette, Vice Provost Academic, York University
Cc:	Ashwin Joshi, Associate Dean, Programs
	Kevin Tasa, Associate Dean, Academic Detlev Zwick, Dean, Schulich School of Business
From:	Detlev Zwick, Dean, Schulich School of Business
Date:	January 9, 2024
Subject:	Proposal to Establish the Graduate Diploma in Advanced Management (AMD)

I am writing to express my enthusiastic support for the Graduate Diploma in Advanced Management (Type 2) proposal brief. The proposal articulates a well-reasoned plan to establish a credential that will be an important value proposition for Schulich students in the following programs: Master of Business Administration, Master of Accounting, Master of Finance, Master of Management, Master of Marketing, Master of Real Estate and Infrastructure, Master of Health Industry Administration, Master of Business Analytics, Master of Management in Artificial Intelligence, and the Master of Supply Chain Management. Taken concurrently, AMD will allow students in these programs to extend their program of study by one term to benefit from an internship opportunity while counting their degree coursework towards the completion of the diploma.

The AMD diploma will align fully with the learning outcomes of Schulich's existing master programs and will advance many of the strategic priorities articulated in the *York University Academic Plan, 2020-25*. By creating a stackable credential that is available to students in a variety of existing programs, AMD will align to the priority of 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning—specifically to "attain our goal of providing every student with an experiential learning opportunity, regardless of program" and to "build essential 21<sup>st</sup> century skills into our programs, including digital fluencies, information literacies, critical thinking, and the ability to ask good questions, marshall evidence, and communicate effectively across varied media."

The resource implications of the AMD diploma will create a net gain for the School and the University. The courses are drawn from existing program curricula. There will be some additional input required by our Student Services and International Relations, Associate Dean, Academic, and Experiential Education offices—all of which already operate on a matrix structure and have adequate capacity to support the implementation of a new diploma. In conclusion, I wish to express my full support for the proposal and thank Associate Dean Joshi for a well conceptualized proposal for an initiative that promotes student success.



Course Outline Summer 2024

Class day and time: TBD Location: TBD

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**Brief Description** 

The purpose of this Graduate Placement is for students to gain relevant business work experience and reflect on the learnings facilitated by this experience. A minimum of 12 weeks full-time work is required to complete this Graduate Placement.

This Graduate Placement is important for the understanding of business norms and practices. Through their Graduate Placement experience, students build upon and practice key learnings from their first year MBA courses, reflect on them, and build an experience relevant for the job after graduation.

Prerequisites/Corequisites/Course Exclusions: None

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### Course Learning Outcomes

1. Understand the role as a co-producer in the placement process and develop self-management skills towards building a successful placement experience and valuable career skills.

2. Develop an understanding of the different work cultures and management styles

3. Effectively apply the 1<sup>st</sup> year MBA knowledge to maximize your work performance

4. Develop a mindset that supports decision-making and managerial effectiveness in the appropriate context.

- 5. Develop a reflective thinking and writing.
- 6. Acquire and develop technical skills associated with the nature of the work.
- 7. Develop decision making and critical thinking skills, increase confidence and self-esteem.
- 8. Reflect on how Equity, Diversity and Inclusion is applied in the workplace.

Assignment/Task	Quantity	% Weight	Total %	Author
Report Part A: Time and	1/week	20%	20%	Individual
Activity Logs				
Report Part B: Placement Site	1	30%	50%	Individual
Analysis				
Report Part C: Reflective	1	50%	<u>100%</u>	Individual
Paper				
Supervisor Evaluation	1	Required	Required	Individual
			100%	

Deliverables at a Glance

For details, see "Written Assignments/Projects: Descriptions" (p. 11) and "Evaluation ..." (p. 12).

### **Course Material**

This course will not have in-class handouts, all materials and recommended readings will be posted on *Canvas.* 

Canvas: Canvas is the digital course portal and functions as a digital course outline. You will find the weekly readings/viewings, detailed descriptions and due dates for all assignments, a course calendar, course updates, various course materials and resources, news items, and resources.

Every week, you should check the Session-by-Session Syllabus below for readings.

All articles are easily accessible using York University Library Electronic Resources. Articles from the Harvard Business Review can be accessed through the library. Please see <u>http://researchquides.library.yorku.ca/HBR</u> for instructions.

### Student Preparation for Class and Class Participation: Expectations

The Placement Position

The position must be professional in nature and ideally in Technology Enabled Organizations, allowing you to apply the concepts and theories learnt in your 1<sup>st</sup> year of your MBAt program. Your Placement must:

- Directly benefit the host company and yourself
- Challenge you and utilize your management training

### Organization of the Course

The following criteria must be considered when students negotiate their Placement with potential organizations:

Duration Minimum 12 weeks of full-time work Timing Term 3 (May – July/August) Students must return in time to be in class on the first day of Term 4.

## Approval of the Work Term

The MBA Program Director will approve the Placement, ensuring that meets the following criteria:

- A project that will benefit the employer and provide relevant work experience to the student
- An opportunity for the student to apply management skills and techniques while performing meaningful work and reflect upon management concepts studied in Term1 and 2

To be approved you must submit to the MBA Program Director a Placement Approval Form. The template for the Placement Approval Form will be uploaded on Canvas.

You MUST receive approval, by email, from the Course Director / MBA Program Director, prior to accepting the offer, and once your placement is approved you must register in the course MGMT 5300.

In cases where the MBA Program Director does not approve a work term, the student may appeal this decision. The student should submit a 1-page narrative outlining a compelling case for why the work term should have been approved, plus relevant supporting documents to the ADA office: ada@schulich.yorku.ca. This appeal must be submitted to the ADA office within 14 days of the MBA Program Director's decision.

Towards the end of the Placement, an email from the MBA Program Director is sent to the Placement site supervisor requesting the evaluation of the student's performance. This evaluation is a mandatory to Pass this course.

Here is some advice to help you make the most of your Work Term:

- Be prepared to start. Make sure you arrive on time your first day, are suitably dressed, and have agreed upon the tasks and accompanying deadlines for your Placement.
- Do not be afraid to talk to your co-workers. People are sometimes too busy to roll out the red carpet for an intern so you have to make the first move to talk with them.
- Take it seriously and complete all tasks to the best of your ability. Your Placement is a full-time job and you need to act accordingly; this is a great time to learn new tasks and demonstrate your work ethic. To land more challenging tasks, be proactive and write a proposal to your boss suggesting and outlining additional projects you could work on. This is less vague than simply asking, "Is there anything else I can do?" and thus has a better chance of achieving results.
- Be willing to learn something new every day.
- Build a portfolio and keep a journal of your work. Do not let the work you did be forgotten by keeping records of relevant projects you worked on during your Placement. This will also help you to write your final papers at the end of your Placement. You may have to ask for permission to have a copy of your work for your portfolio if it is proprietary work. A portfolio is very useful in your full-time job search, especially for jobs that require previous experience.
- Ask the right questions. Keep track of the information that has already been given to you to make sure you are asking the right questions. There will be a lot of new information coming at you and you might find it helpful to write down the information given to you during your first days and/or orientation. If the company gives you a handout about company policies or procedures, be sure to read it and familiarize yourself with it.
- Ask to attend meetings and events. This will help you learn how things really get done and by whom.
- Try to fit in with the corporate culture. This requires watching how people are interacting around you: how people dress, how they communicate, what hours they work, whether they lunch together or not, whether initiative or hierarchy is valued, etc.
- Ask for feedback about your performance (though only if the culture is one that provides feedback). It is better to learn earlier than later where your strengths and weaknesses lie.
- Find a mentor or someone you can learn from during your time there. Try to learn from the people who are the superstar performers and/or the most respected individuals in the office.
- Learn all you can about the industry.
- Be positive about all your projects. As an intern, you may be asked to do some unglamorous projects. It is better to do these with a positive attitude and ask for more responsibilities in addition to them rather than complaining about what you consider to be beneath you.
- Develop a network of contacts. Build strong relationships by listening to and learning from everyone you meet. Not everyone has the power to hire you, but each person you meet is a potential contact and resource on the road to a new job.
- Talk to your coworkers about your future plans. If you are working for a large company, talk to HR throughout your Placement and at the end of it, make sure to let them know what your future plans are.
- Find out where and how positions are posted internally if you would like to work for the company in the future.

It is important to reflect on your Placement experience once it ends, to draw conclusions about what you have learned, and to examine your career options while the experience is fresh in your mind. Consider doing the following:

### Obtain References

Ask for a reference from your supervisor(s) for your <u>personal use</u>. You can make the process easier for the writer by giving him/her a list of points that might be included in the letter, such as your basic job duties, what you learned, and how you excelled. Note: Letters of reference are not used as frequently anymore as they can quickly become dated. Instead, ask if your supervisor would be willing to provide a verbal reference when/if needed at some time in the future. Also, ask if he/she would be willing to provide a recommendation via LinkedIn.

(The reference letter is quite separate from the Intern Performance Evaluation that the MBA Office will request from your employer. The latter is for internal use only).

### Send Thank You letters

Be sure to send thank you letters as soon as possible to your immediate supervisor and/or anyone else who might have contributed to your experience and learning. Thank them for helping to make your Placement experience a valuable one and tell them what you learned, or let them know how the experience has helped you in your career development.

You might also write to any key, top-level people in the organization with whom you may have interacted briefly, even if you did not work closely with them. They could be valuable contacts in the future.

Think about what you learned about your career options and preferences:

- Would you like to do the type of job you did during your Placement?
- Would you like to work in that industry upon graduation?
- Would you like to do the job you observed your supervisor or someone else doing?

Think about what you learned about yourself during this placement:

- Did you learn anything about your professional skills and abilities? What do you do well? What areas do you still need to improve in?
- Did you learn anything about what does or does not interest you?
- What did you learn about your personality as you dealt with co-workers, supervisors, clients and/or customers?

Update your resume in preparation for your full-time job search:

- Write down everything you did during your Placement, all your duties and responsibilities/achievements, and choose the most relevant responsibilities/achievements to include in your resume. Be sure to use the active verb +what you did +result (quantitative or qualitative) approach when describing your accomplishments.
- Make note of job functions or areas of expertise you experienced, even if you did not do those things yourself

Look for ways to continue gaining experience in your area of interest:

- Set up networking meetings with alumni in the field
- Join relevant professional associations as a student
- Keep in touch with the people whom you worked with at the Placement site; and
- Start searching and/or applying for your full-time job in that field!!

### Written Assignments/Projects and Exam[s]: Descriptions

Students' grade for this course is based on four components:

- (1) Report Part A: Time and Activity log, completed throughout the placement
- (2) Report Part B: Work Placement Site Analysis
- (3) Report part C: Final Reflective Paper
- (4) Supervisor's Evaluation. The work placement form must be filled out by the site supervisor and sent to the Course Coordinator/MBA Program Director.

Your deliverables (Report Part A, B and C as well as the Supervisor's Evaluation) must be received within two weeks of the completion date of placement, otherwise you will receive a grade F. If you are graduating at the end of the summer term than all materials, including the Supervisors Evaluation must be received no later than September 1<sup>st</sup>.

### Evaluation of Assignments/Projects and Exams

<Include details as appropriate, including quality criteria, the weights (importance) assigned to different sections of an assignment if they are not equal, and treatment of late submissions (e.g., not accepted, a specified penalty for each day late, or ... ).>

You will submit a Report including Part A, Part B and Part C. They will be written in size 12, Times Roman font, double-spaced, with one-inch margins.

### Report Part A: Time and Activity Log

The Time and Activity log allows you to keep track of all the job tasks, duties and assignments you perform during your Placement. For each week, you must record in sufficient detail your primary activities in an activity log. Describe in each entry what you did and learned about the organization, the work environment, your colleagues, customers, etc. during that week. Be specific. You should attempt to link some of these activities to concepts learnt in your coursework. <u>Each log/week has a 200-word limit.</u>

### Report part B: Work Placement Site Analysis

This will include the internal and external analysis of the organization, for example (but is not limited to):

- (i) A description of the organization, its history, its core activities and how they may have changed over time, and an organizational chart,
- (ii) A brief overview of the industry and its players (competitors, suppliers, customers, etc.),
- (iii) A SWOT analysis.
- (iv) A description of other relevant information and insights you gained about your site.

### The word limit for this Part B (Work Placement Site Analysis) is 1500 words.

### Report Part C: Reflective Paper

It is an exercise that allows you to think about what you experienced and observed during your work placement and by doing so generate unique and lasting insights that make a positive difference in your personal and professional life. Through this reflective activity, you are encouraged to analyze your actions and the material you are learning. You are encouraged to reflect thoughtfully upon and respond to the specific work environment, professional responsibilities, and your own role at your Placement location. Consider the best and worst parts of the Placement, why you liked/not liked certain activities and duties, and what you learned from the activities. Use Ryan's 5Rs Model of reflection that you learnt in the MGMT 5290 F course, Professional Development Hive - Part 2.

The Reflective Paper should be based on the entire Placement experience and should incorporate the following points of discussion:

- (a) The method by which you secured the Placement opportunity. What worked well, and what would you do differently next time?
- (b) The expected learning outcomes you had of the Placement when you chose it and whether those expectations have been met or changed because of the actual experience.
- (c) The most important business skills you developed and the most critical knowledge you gained during your Placement.
- (d) Your own objective assessment of your work, performance, and contributions at the site. In what areas did you excel? In what areas did you struggle? Did anything you learned about yourself surprise you?
- (e) A conflict or disappointment you experienced through your Placement and how you managed it?
- (f) The Thesis Statement which identifies whether your expectations were met and what you learned. The body of your paper identifies two or three (depending on the length of your paper) major points that support your thesis statement.
- (g) How are your future actions informed based on the experience you had in this Placement.
- (h) Address aspects of equity, diversity, and inclusion as they relate to your placement. Refer to the learnings from MGMT 5190 F course, Professional Development Hive Part 1.

The word limit for this Part C (reflective paper) is 2000.

The Supervisor's Evaluation is mandatory to receive a Pass for this course. You will have to make sure the Supervisor send the Evaluation in time to the Course Director / MBA Program Director.

### Calculation of Course Grade

You will be assigned a Pass or Fail grade in this course. In this manner, a letter grade for each of the three components mentioned above will be assigned. Your course grade, as suggested on page 2, will then be calculated by weighted averaging of these components' grades. The resulting numeric grade will be converted to a Pass/ or Fail grade according to the following scale:

9	A+	90 - 100	Exceptional
8	А	85 - 89	Excellent
7	A-	80 - 84	Very Good
6	B+	75 - 79	Good
5	В	70 - 74	Competent
4	B-	65 - 69	Fairly Comp.
3	C+	60 - 64	Passing
2	С	55 - 59	Barely Pass.
1	C-	50 - 54	Failing

General Academic Policies: Grading, Academic Honesty, Accommodations and Exams

For more details on the index, grading policy, and grade point average (GPA) requirements, see the Graduate Policy Handbook

https://schulich.yorku.ca/current-students/graduate-students/

*Academic honesty* is fundamental to the integrity of university education and degree programs, and applies in every course offered at Schulich. Students should familiarize themselves with York University's policy on academic honesty, which may also be found on Schulich website:

http://schulich.yorku.ca/current-students/academic-honesty/

*Accommodations*. For accommodations sought due to exam conflicts, religious reasons, unavoidable absences or disabilities, please refer to the Student Handbook or contact Student Services. For counseling & disability services, contact Student Services or see <u>http://cds.info.yorku.ca/.</u>

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MGMT6300 CREDITS: 3.00 MGMT 6300 P - CASE ANALYSIS AND PRESENTATION SKILLS

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## **BRIEF DESCRIPTION**

This course is designed to give students the opportunity to practice and develop their analytical thinking and presentation skills. The key objective of the course is to train students to successfully participate in national and international case competitions. A secondary objective is to prepare students to successfully interview for management consulting positions. Second-year MBA students who enjoy analyzing cases and delivering presentations are encouraged to take the course. Prerequisites: SB/ACTG 5100 3.00, SB/MGMT 5150 3.00, SB/MKTG 5200 3.00, SB/SUST 5200 3.00 (Prior to S23 SB/SGMT 5800 3.00; prior to W20 SB/MGMT 5260 3.0) & SB/ORGS 5100 3.00 (Orequisite: SB/SGMT 6000 3.00)

## **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

### Strategic Thinking Skills:

Strategic thinking skills enable students to diagnose critical business challenges and reveal opportunities to create stakeholder value. These skills will become a part of the student's toolkit; empowering students in their professional career as they address key organizational problems, including, but not limited to:

- What are the goals that we want to be driving towards? What do we aspire to?
- What aspects of our business model are creating value? Destroying value?
- What factors within the external/internal environment are disrupting our business? How do we address these disruptions?
- Are we focused on the right areas (i.e. targeting the right customers, offering the right products, operating in the right geographies)?
- How do we implement this recommendation?
- Does this opportunity make sense for all stakeholders involved? Does it drive value against the triple-bottom line?

The development of these skills will drive students to be able to effectively break down problems in order to provide fact-based recommendations for the organizations they are working for/with.

#### Structured Problem-Solving Skills:

Structured problem-solving skills enable students to systematically develop logical arguments when solving complex business problems. Approaching complexity and ambiguity in a methodical manner will ensure students decompose problems into a set of drivers or elements. Students will leverage frameworks to efficiently guide the identification of key issues and potential recommendations, and aid in prioritizing actions. In this course, students will learn to approach problem solving and presentation building in a structured manner.

#### Presentation Skills:

Effective presentation skills are an important element to any career and key to communicating at all levels of any organization.

As a part of a group, students will have the opportunity to give multiple presentations throughout the course. Each presentation will develop and practice students' presentation skills in an accretive manner. At the end of each presentation the lecturers (and sometimes a guest from consulting or industry) will provide students with feedback on both the content and style of the presentation. This accretive process is designed to enhance presentation skills; specifically, how to clearly communicate a message and to succinctly present ideas to a target audience.

#### Collaboration Skills:

Students will work in groups of 4 to 7 (depending on class size). Groups will be assigned randomly for each class. This will give students exposure to working with peers with diverse backgrounds; providing opportunities to practice both teamwork and lateral leadership skills. As a result, students will learn valuable lessons about working effectively in groups.

## **COURSE MATERIAL**

The Ivey Course Kit contains **most of the the cases and assigned readings** that discuss concepts illustrated through the course. Additional cases/readings can be accessed using the links below.

### **IVEY COURSE KIT**

These kits are available for purchase virtually. Please follow the instructions below:

1. Go to the Ivey Publishing website at www.iveypublishing.ca 🗁 (https://www.iveypublishing.ca/)

2. Log in to your existing account or click "Register" to create a new account and follow the prompts to complete the registration. If registering, choose the "Student" role.

3. Click on this link or copy into your browser: https://www.iveypublishing.ca/s/ivey-coursepack

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4. Click "Add to Cart".

5. Go to the Shopping Cart (located at the top of the page), click "Checkout", and complete the checkout process.

6. When payment has been processed successfully, an Order Confirmation will be emailed to you immediately and you will see the Order Confirmation screen.

7. Once you have completed your order, click on your username on the top right --> Orders --> Purchases

DIGITAL LEARNING EXPERIENCES: If a digital learning experience is included in your coursepack, you will be able to go directly to the course through a link on the purchased order.

IMPORTANT: Access to downloadable files will expire on the course end date, so be sure to save a copy on your computer. The downloadable file is a PDF document that can be opened using Adobe Reader. This material is for your

personal use only and is not to be shared, reproduced, or distributed in any form.

#### **OTHER COURSE MATERIALS**

Successful Human Resources Management Factors in International Mergers and Acquisitions by Rodríguez-Sánchez et al: https://www.mdpi.com/2076-3387/8/3/45

When First Movers Are Rewarded, and When They're Not: https://hbsp.harvard.edu/import/1122951 (https://hbsp.harvard.edu/import/1122951)

Explaining the Internationalization of iBusiness Firms by Brouthers et al: https://www.jstor.org/stable/43907589 (access free on JSTOR)

JSTOR has IP addresses for the campus internet on file. Therefore, if the students open JSTOR while using the university's internet on campus they should have access through the school. Students can all use the "find your institution" function. Which would allow them to log in through their school to verify access. You can search all of the institutions which are JSTOR participants here: https://www.jstor.org/institutionSearch

## ASSIGNMENT SUMMARY

Assignment   Task	Group   Individual	Total % of Final Grade	Due Date
Individual Case Hand-In 15%			
Individual Case Hand-In	Ŝ	15%	Sun Feb 11, 2024 at 11:59pm EST
Group Presentations 40%			
Group Presentations	Ø	40%	Sun Feb 11, 2024 at 11:59pm EST
Final Group Presentations 309	%		
Final Group Presentations	B	30%	Sun Mar 24, 2024 at 11:59pm EDT
Contribution to Class Discuss	ion 15%		
Contribution to Class Discussion	B	15%	Sun Mar 24, 2024 at 11:59pm EDT

## WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS: DESCRIPTIONS

## Individual Case Hand-In

**Due Date:** Sun Feb 11, 2024 at 11:59pm EST

This assignment will be written as an "email to an Executive". The purpose of this assignment will be to clearly articulate your analysis and recommendation to a stakeholder like a firm Partner, CEO, Managing Director, etc.

Each student will submit an individual word document on or before the due date. The assignment will account for 15% of the student's final course grade.

Submissions are limited to 700-1000 words typed, using 11-point Arial font with normal margins. There is no page limit for the appendix; but the content of the appendix is limited to framework diagrams and/or tables. No additional insights should be provided in the appendix.

The "email" should include:

- Executive Summary: a brief takeaway that provides the reader everything they need to know about your analysis and recommendation
- External / Internal Environmental Scan: one concise paragraph providing the value-add insights gained through the industry analysis and internal analysis
- Key Problem Statement: one concise statement identifying the fundamental strategic issue the organization in the case is facing
- Analysis: short description of the analyses you performed or would perform in order to prove or disprove the hypothesis and substantiate your recommendations
- Recommendations: a clearly articulated set of recommended actions supported by fact-based (quantitative &

qualitative) evidence

• Risks and Mitigations: briefly list some risks and for each how this will be mitigated

To be included in the appendix:

• Diagram of the structure/framework you applied to decompose the situation and prioritize the core issues

Visual's may be used within the body of the email; however, they may not contain paragraphs of information; otherwise each word included in the visual will count towards the total word count

### **Group Presentations**

🔀 Due Date: Sun Feb 11, 2024 at 11:59pm EST

The course contains multiple sessions that involve case presentations. Students will be randomly divided into groups and all groups will be assigned the same case.

For those cases released prior to the presentation day – it is strongly recommended that groups meet outside of class time to sufficiently prepare for the presentation. Each group will present in a randomly selected order. Presentations will be 10-15 minutes in length and followed by a 5- or 10-minute question/answer session. Each group member is expected to participate in the presentation. Groups are expected to email their presentation by a set deadline, which will be provided in class.

## Final Group Presentations

🔀 Due Date: Sun Mar 24, 2024 at 11:59pm EDT

Students will form groups and prepare a 20-minute presentation on the assigned case, followed by a 15-minute Q&A session. All group members must participate during the presentation and Q&A.

Groups can draw on research from outside the case but must keep within the timeframe of the case year (i.e. do not pull on anything beyond that date).

The rubric will be posted no less than 2-weeks before the presentation is due. Each group will upload their presentation by no later than the indicated time (TBD).

## Contribution to Class Discussion

🔀 Due Date: Sun Mar 24, 2024 at 11:59pm EDT

## WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS: EVALUATION

Class & Deliverable	Deliverable Description
	This assignment will be written as an "email to an Executive". The purpose of this assignment will be to clearly articulate your analysis and recommendation to a stakeholder like a firm Partner, CEO, Managing Director, etc.
	Each student will submit an individual word document on or before the due date. The assignment will account for 15% of the student's final course grade.
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	The "email" should include:
	• Executive Summary: a brief takeaway that provides the reader everything they need to know about your analysis and recommendation
Individual Case Hand-In (15%)	External / Internal Environmental Scan: one concise paragraph providing the value-add insights gained through the industry analysis and internal analysis
Class 5 Feb 11	• Key Problem Statement: one concise statement identifying the fundamental strategic issue the organization in the case is facing
	• Analysis: short description of the analyses you performed or would perform in order to prove or disprove the hypothesis and substantiate your recommendations
	• Recommendations: a clearly articulated set of recommended actions supported by fact- based (quantitative & qualitative) evidence
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	To be included in the appendix:
	Diagram of the structure/framework you applied to decompose the situation and prioritize the core issues
	Visual's may be used within the body of the email; however, they may not contain paragraphs of information; otherwise each word included in the visual will count towards the total word count
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Final Group Presentations (30%)	Groups can draw on research from outside the case but must keep within the timeframe of the
Class 11	case year (i.e. do not pull on anything beyond that date).
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## CALCULATING COURSE GRADE

The course grading scheme for Master's level courses at Schulich uses a 9-value grade-point system. The possible course letter grades for a course (and the corresponding grade points awarded for each grade are:

Grade A+ A A- B+ B B- C+ C C- F

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The Schulich School of Business does not use a percentage scale. When faculty members award marks on a percentage basis, the instructor converts the percentages to letter grades. For example, a cumulative percentage mark of 50% does not necessarily mean that a student will pass a course.

In this class, final letter grades will be determined by the following process: A numerical grade (0-9) will be assigned for each assignment, test, presentation, etc. Each student's course grade will be calculated using a weighted average of the numerical grades and the weights for each deliverable above.

## **CLASS-BY-CLASS SYLLABUS**

## Class 1 - Introduction

 Jan 14/24
 Overview: Class 1

 Assigned Reading:
 Learning by the Case Method by John S. Hammond

What Is Strategy? By Michael E. Porter

## Class 2 - Presentation Skills

 Jan 14/24
 Overview: Class 2

 Assigned Reading:
 Designing and Delivering the Perfect Pitch by Angelo Santinelli and Candida Brush

Working with Multicultural Groups and Teams by David C. Thomas and Kerr C. Inkson

## Class 3 - Case Analysis Part 1

#### Overview: Class 3 Jan 28/24

Case Reading: Disney: Delivering More Content in More Ways

Assigned Reading:

- The Five Forces: Competing for Profits "Understanding Michael Porter's Best-Known Framework" by Joan Magretta
- A Porter Glossary: Key Concepts "A Michael Porter Lexicon" by Joan Magretta

## Class 4 - Case Analysis Part 2

Jan 28/24

Overview: Class 4

**Case Reading:** Cowbell Brewing Co.: Building a Destination Brewery

### **Assigned Reading:**

The Hard Truth About Business Model Innovation by Christensen et al

## Class 5 - Practical: 3-hour Case Prep

Feb 11/24 Overview: Class 5 Case Reading: Case to be released at 9am

Assigned Reading:

• Managing Brands for the Long Run: Effective Brand Reinforcement and Revitalization Strategies by Kevin Lane Keller

Individual Case

Hand-In due at or before 9:00 AM EST

## Class 6 - Practical: Group Presentations

Feb 11/24

Overview: Class 6

Group Presentation #1

(presentation of 3-hour format case from morning)

## Class 7 - Case Analysis & Presentation: Recalibration

Feb 25/24

Overview: Class 7

Case Reading: Audi A8: The World's First Level 3 Autonomous Vehicle

### **Assigned Reading:**

When First Movers Are Rewarded, and When They're Not: https://hbr.org/2015/08/when-first-movers-are-rewarded-and-whentheyre-not 
(https://hbr.org/2015/08/when-first-movers-are-rewarded-andwhen-theyre-not)

## Class 8 - Practical: Group Presentations



Group Presentation # 2

(preparation to be done outside of class time)

## Class 9 - Practical: 3-hour Case Prep

Mar 10/24

Overview: Class 9

Case Reading: Case to be released at 9am Assigned Reading: • Blue Ocean Strategy by Chan Kim and Renee A. Mauborgne

## Class 10 - Practical: Group Presentations

Overview: Class 10 Mar 10/24 Group Presentation # 3 (presentation of 3-hour format case from morning)

## Class 11 - Final Group Presentations



## Class 12 - Wrap Up

Mar 24/24

Overview: Class 12 Review, Course Evaluations, and Feedback

## STUDENT PREPARATION FOR CLASS AND CLASS PARTICIPATION: EXPECTATIONS

## Preparation

The course comprises of a set of initial lectures that will introduce approaches, analytical frameworks, and methods that will enable students to solve business cases and develop presentations in an accretive manner.

Subsequently, the remaining classes will revolve around the solving and presenting of course cases, where groups will be asked to present their analysis of the situation and their recommendations, supported by fact-based rationale. The course cases will take on various formats, including:

- **3-hour format**: 2 Cases will be released to students at the beginning of the class (on the morning of the Sunday), simulating a competitive case competition environment. A presentation-ready slide deck would then be submitted by the end of the 3-hour class. These decks will then be presented in the afternoon session that follows. Punctual attendance at these sessions is an absolute imperative.
- **Prepared format:** 2 cases (including the final) will be released early for students, and limited in-class time will be allotted for preparation. As such, it is crucial to be diligent in the pre-class preparation. It is strongly recommended that groups meet outside of class time to sufficiently prepare for the presentation. Given that there may be external practitioners attending the course throughout the term to provide topical industry insights, students will be held to a high standard as they represent both themselves and the Schulich School of Business.

*Preparation.* This course is an advanced Masters-level elective course and therefore students will be accountable for coming to each lecture completely prepared. Prior to each class, students are expected to read the assigned readings.

### Class Participation (contribution).

# In every class, the quality and quantity of students' verbal remarks will be evaluated. Contribution is attributed as follows:

- A+ (9) Superior Contribution. The student demonstrates superior participation by not only comprehending the material, but by also bringing their own level of reflection/thoughts/work experience to the conversation. It is evident that the student displays leadership qualities by incorporating thought-provoking discussion, including opinions of other classmates as well. Students participating at this level are enriching the classroom experience.
- A- to A (7 to 8) Substantial Contribution. The student will regularly participate in class discussions, demonstrating that they have read and understood the course material and are actively seeking to be engaged in the discussion with considerable effectiveness. It is important to note that the student demonstrates a high level of EQ by not over-participating (dominating) discussions and is respectful of classmate opinions.
- B- to B+ (4 to 6) Considerable Contribution. The student will regularly participate, demonstrating that they are engaged and understanding of the topic at a very high level. However, it is evident that the student did not prepare for the lecture (i.e. did not complete the case reading and/or supplementary readings).
- C- to C+ (1 to 3) Minimal Contribution. The student attends lecture and is awake/attentive most of the time. However, the student is falling well below the standard with limited effectiveness. The student must work at

significantly improving his or her participation if they are to be successful in the course. Students will respond to cold calls but, does not engage beyond that.

• F (0) - Absent. The student did not attend lecture.

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## **BRIEF DESCRIPTION**

This course is designed to help MBA students acquire skills and knowledge that will facilitate their professional development and increase their employability. The students (1) engage in self-assessment, (2) develop an awareness of the changing professional environment (3) learn how to interact with other professionals in different cultural and organizational settings, and (4) promote themselves in an efficient manner.

## **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

The course has two main objectives:

(1) **Increase the students' employability.** This will be achieved by providing information and coaching to support students to obtain relevant internships and jobs, both through in class sessions and the mandatory one-on-one coaching sessions for each student.

(2) **Professional Development** focused on the development of knowledge and skills required to operate as a manager. This will be achieved both through in class sessions, guided discussions with industry guest speakers, simulations, and MBA Alumni Panel.

This course is designed to develop a range of skills required for career success.

The course learning outcomes are linked to the course objectives.

#### **Objective 1. Increase students' employability**

Outcomes:

At the end of this course, students will be able to:

- Build a customized strategy for securing a relevant job
- Use job search tools to maximize their impact
- Manage and market their own personal brand in cover letters, resumes, elevator pitches and social media (LinkedIn)
- Understand and apply professional interviewing skills
- Accept and reject job offers and negotiate an employment contract
- Understand sector specific job markets trends

#### **Objective 2. Professional Development**

Outcomes:

At the end of this course, students will be able to:

- Assess their personal strengths and preferences and develop a plan to address areas required to enhance their personal professional development
- Deliver effective business presentations
- Build authentic and value creating relationships that will enable employment-related opportunities
- Work effectively in cross-cultural teams

#### **Organization of the Course**

The course will start with a self-assessment of the student's interests, motivators, skills and organizational culture preferences. **The results will aid in recommending suitable career options**. The knowledge and skills the students will develop in this course will support their progress towards achieving short-term and long-term career goals. The progress is supported by three components: (1) one-on-one coaching sessions with the instructor; (2) in-course learning sessions and (3) community-based learning (Speakers and Alumni).

The modules focused on providing support for securing jobs are designed to offer the students the platform to be

to design an effective strategy for securing a relevant job.

The modules focused on Professional Development are designed to provide students with the skills and knowledge necessary to be effective managers, to instill a desire for learning and personal growth, and to help develop a demeanor that is 'polished' and 'poised.' Topics include networking, building business relationships, and developing their personal brand and communication skills.

An important component of the course is the **Speaker Series**, which will allow the students to interact with senior level executives, including Alumni and other experts from various types of organizations and organizational functions. This will provide the students with the opportunity to put into practice the knowledge and skills acquired throughout the course. The topics covered by each speaker will be career-related and include leadership styles, work-life balance, personal branding, negotiation skills, and personal experiences based on their careers. Students are expected to research each speaker prior to the session and actively participate in it.

Students are also expected to participate in extra-curricular career development events throughout the course such as: networking sessions, conferences, club activities, etc.

successful. Topics include learning the job search tools and skills, understanding the job market trends, learning how

## **COURSE MATERIAL**

This course will not have in-class handouts, all materials will be posted on Canvas. Please check it frequently.

## **ASSIGNMENT SUMMARY**

Assignment   Task	Group   Individual	Total % of Final Grade	Due Date
Class Participation 10%			
Class Participation = 50% attendance + 50% contribution	ල	10%	Mon Apr 8, 2024 at 02:30pm EDT
Resume 10%			
Updated Resume	C	10%	Thu Jan 18, 2024 at 11:59pm EST
Cover Letter 10%			
Updated Cover Letter	Ø	10%	Thu Jan 18, 2024 at 11:59pm EST
Interview Video 10%			
Video Interview recording on Quinncia	Ċ	10%	Thu Feb 29, 2024 at 11:59pm EST
LinkedIn Updated Profile 10%			
Customize your LinkedIn profile	Ø	10%	Thu Feb 29, 2024 at 11:59pm EST
Strategic Job Search Plan 10%			
Strategic Job Search Plan	Ċ	10%	Wed Mar 20, 2024 at 11:59pm EDT
Networking Experience Reflection Paper 1	0%		
Networking Experience Reflection Paper	Ø	10%	Fri Apr 5, 2024 at 11:59pm EDT
One-on-One Coaching Sessions 10%			
Coaching Sessions	ġ	10%	Fri Apr 5, 2024 at 11:59pm EDT
Quiz 20%			
Final Quiz	¢	20%	Tue Apr 9, 2024 at 03:00pm EDT

## WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS: DESCRIPTIONS

## Class Participation = 50% attendance + 50% contribution

**Due Date:** Mon Apr 8, 2024 at 02:30pm EDT

Students are expected to attend all classes. Failure to attend any of the classes, without prior permission from the Instructor or appropriate documentation in the event of unforeseen and extenuating circumstances (as verified by the Instructor or Student Services), will lead to a reduction of grade, see below details.

If absent, students are still responsible for all contents, assignments and information covered in class.

#### Class Participation = 50% attendance + 50% contribution

#### **Class attendance**

Fully present 100% (including in the Zoom sessions) or missed with approved note	100
Missed no more than 1 class without a note (partially present - X %)	Х
Missed 2 or more classes without an approved note	0

#### **Class contribution**

Consistent exceptional contribution in class, for more than 80% of the sessions; bymaking important points with a significant element of originality or demonstrating100mastery of theoretical issues or concepts; highly prepared

Very good contribution in class, for 50% - 80% of sessions; by making important points with a significant element of originality or demonstrating mastery of theoretical issues 80 or concepts; highly prepared

Good contribution in class, for 25% to 50% of sessions – less highly original but demonstrated basic understanding of the material under discussion. Appears prepared <sup>50</sup>

Limited contribution in class, for less than 25% of sessions	20
No contribution	0

#### Schulich masters-level grading system

90 - 100 9 A+

85 - 89	8	А
80 - 84	7	A-
75 - 79	6	B+
70 - 74	5	В
65 - 69	4	B-
60 - 64	3	C+
55 - 59	2	С
50 - 54	1	C-
0-49	0	F

## Updated Resume

🔀 Due Date: Thu Jan 18, 2024 at 11:59pm EST

Email the instructor your **updated** resume and cover letter, based on the guideline and templates attached on Canvas under Module 1, as **ONE single file named** *"Your First Name Your Family Name\_Cover Letter and Resume\_MGMT 6350 F"* (1st page the cover letter, 2nd page the resume) in <u>Word</u> format, together with the Job Description (as an attachment in pdf <u>not as a link!</u>), that you used for the cover letter and resume.

## **Grading Matrix**

Resume Template Rules	Max to obtain
Font size and type	10
Included summary	10
Summary is relevant to the job description	10
Your name and your contacts are on the top part of the page(s) (identical place and format if you have a 2-page resume)	10
Education after Summary	10
Achievements (numbers, %, etc)	10
Action verbs	10
Present tense for current roles, past tenses for previous roles	10
Brief description of companies	10
Spelling and typos	10
Total	100

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## Updated Cover Letter

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Email the instructor your **updated** resume and cover letter, based on the guideline and templates attached on Canvas under Module 1, as **ONE single file named** *"Your First Name Your Family Name\_Cover Letter and Resume\_MCMT 6350 F"* (1st page the cover letter, 2nd page the resume) in **Word format, together with the Job Description (as an attachment in pdf not as a link!**), that you used for the cover letter and resume.

## **Grading Matrix**

Cover letter Template Rules	Max to obtain
Font size and type	10
Name and contacts on the top of the page - identical place and format with resume	10
Date, Attn., Ref are included	10
Addressed to Hiring Manager or Name	10
Included in the first paragraph are included clear motivations about (1) why you want to join the company AND (2) why you want the role	20
The body of the letter describes why you are the right candidate (with enough relevant details, numbers, %)	30
Spelling and consistency with the resume (font, bullets, etc)	10
Total	100

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## Video Interview recording on Quinncia

**Due Date:** Thu Feb 29, 2024 at 11:59pm EST

• You will record your video interviews on Quinncia **BEFORE the second coaching Session**, allowing enough time for processing so that the Instructor has access to it.

# You will receive feedback and be graded on your Quinncia video recording in your second coaching session.

• Quinncia only saves fully the last attempt and the scores for the last 3 attempts. Remember to save your scores each time as you receive the grading points no matter in which attempt you reach the scores. You are encouraged to practice minimum 10 times, receiving 1 point for each of the 10 times.

### **Grading Matrix**

Video Interview	Use Quinncia for practice		10
	Practice 10 times or more on Quinncia		10
	Follow the video interview delivery rules	Clean and organized background	5
		Face is in good lightning and easily seen	5
		Good eye contact - 85% of the time	5
		Smile, pleasant	5
		Speed of talking (110-130 words per minute), use pause between sentences, use less filler words	5
		Respect the dress code	5
	Quality of content	Clear and concise answers	10
		Answer questions using the STAR format, the How and Why method and learnt lessons	20
		Answer including quantifiable outcomes	10
	Received a min 350 score on Quinncia		10
	Total		100

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## Customize your LinkedIn profile

🔀 Due Date: Thu Feb 29, 2024 at 11:59pm EST

Update your LinkedIn profile as taught in the Networking Session and before your 2nd coaching session, when you will receive feedback and will be graded.

### **Grading Matrix**

Optimized LinkedIn profile	Photo - Professional, recent, portrait (head only), smiling, uniform background	10
	Customized public profile URL	10
	Relevant headline - slogan that captures your unique value proposition or keywords separated by   (pipe)	10
	Summary, 1st person, relevant, concise	10
	Contact information	10
	2 Recommendations - from people in power positions who worked with you	10
	Include min 5 skills (15 ideally), with first 3 showed being relevant	10
	No spelling mistakes, typos	10
	Publish an article on LinkedIn	10
	Add min new 20 relevant contacts during this course, before the 2nd coaching session	10
Total		100

#### Total

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0-49	0	F

## Strategic Job Search Plan

**Due Date:** Wed Mar 20, 2024 at 11:59pm EDT

Start researching the job target market after Session 2. Create your Strategic Job Search Plan, a paper in Word (max. 1000 words, 12-point font, single-spaced) and a PowerPoint Presentation (max 9 slides, min 18-point font).
Send both of them (the paper in Word and the PowerPoint slides as .pptx) to the Instructor by March 20, 2024, 11:59pm. Be prepared to present it in the class in Session 10, March 22, 2024.

### Please name your files:

"Your First Name Your Family Name\_Strategic Job Search Plan\_MGMT 6350 F" and

"Your First Name Your Family Name\_Strategic Job Search PowerPoint\_MGMT 6350 F".

### **Grading Matrix**

Criterion	Details	Weight
Both paper and PP slic	les are submitted in time	5
Paper	you describe your job target market (sectorial and geographical) and identify and research relevant trends	10
	you explain your interests, values, motivators and how they align with your career choices	10
	you identify potential gaps between your targeted job requirements and your present skillset	10
	you create a clear plan on how to address the gap to achieve career success	10
	you combine short term and longer term career perspectives and actions	10
	quality of writing: clear, concise, logic, free from typos and spelling mistakes, adheres to the word limit, within reason.	5
PowerPoint Presentation	good structure of slides: title, agenda, body, conclusion	10
	good format of slides: respecting principles of simplicity, readability and consistency (less text, concise, less colours, font size and type, relevant titles, relevant visuals, less or now transitions)	15
	include in the footer of the slides: page number, date, presentation title	5
	include references	5
	quality of writing: free from typos and spelling mistakes	5
Total		100

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Networking Experience Reflection Paper

Due Date: Fri Apr 5, 2024 at 11:59pm EDT

Attend at least two networking events during this term. Ideally one of them should be outside Schulich. Write a Reflection Paper, using Ryan's 5Rs Model Mapping, comparing the two events. The Reflection Paper should be 1000 words, space 1, font 12. Please save it as "*Your First Name Your Family Name\_Networking Experience Reflection Paper\_MGMT 6350 F"* and send it to your Instructor before the deadline, Class 11, April 5, 2024.

### **Grading Matrix**

Networking Experiences	Attended two networking events in this term	20
	One of the networking events was outside Schulich	10
	Obtained min 2 coffee chats as a result of the networking events	10
Reflection paper	Described well the networking events, with enough relevant details, including also the coffee chats, if the case	15
	Mentioned networking theories or what was presented by the Instructor in the class	15
	Described a future plan for improving networking skills as a result of the networking event	s 15
	Quality of writing: clear, concise, logic, free from typos and spelling mistakes, adheres to the word limit, within reason.	<sup>e</sup> 15

#### Total

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### **Coaching Sessions**

**Due Date:** Fri Apr 5, 2024 at 11:59pm EDT

100

Schedule your first one-on-one coaching session with the Instructor between Session 2 and Session 6. In the first one-on-one coaching session (45min) the CareerLeader Assessment results will be discussed as well as the career options. The students are expected to complete the CareerLeader Assessment before the coaching session, read and send the report by email to the Instructor. Don't leave this session for the last minute. The Instructor will share with you appointment options.

Schedule your second one-on-one coaching session with the Instructor starting from Session 7 until Session 12.

In the second one-on-one coaching session (45min) the Instructor will review and grade the Quinncia video interview, and the LinkedIn profile. The student must have completed the Quinncia sessions and have the LinkedIn profile updated before the coaching session. Don't leave this session for the last day of class. The Instructor will share with you appointment options.

### **Grading Matrix**

attending both sessions and being completely prepared and engaged (no need for	100
improving deliverables: LinkedIn and Video Interview - all is done perfectly)	100
attending both sessions and being very well prepared and engaged	80
attending both sessions and being prepared and engaged	70
attending both coaching sessions	60
missing any of the coaching sessions	49

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65 - 69	4	B-
60 - 64	3	C+
55 - 59	2	С
50 - 54	1	C-
0-49	0	F

## Final Quiz

**Due Date:** Tue Apr 9, 2024 at 03:00pm EDT

Details available Mon Apr 8, 2024 at 03:00pm EDT

## CALCULATING COURSE GRADE

Assignment/Task

Quantity % Weight Total % Author

Assignment/Task	Quantity	y % Weight	t Total %	6 Author
Class Participation	1	10%	10%	Individual
Resume	1	10%	20%	Individual
Cover Letter	1	10%	30%	Individual
Interview video	1	10%	40%	Individual
LinkedIn updated profile	1	10%	50%	Individual
Strategic Job Search Plan	1	10%	60%	Individual
Networking simulation	1	10%	70%	Groups
One-on-one Coaching Sessions	s 2	10%	80%	Individual
Quiz	1	20%	100%	Individual

100%

## CLASS-BY-CLASS SYLLABUS

Class 1 - Professional Development for Managers – Class Introduction and Professional Branding - January 12, 2024

Overview: Professional Development for Managers – Class Introduction and Professional Branding

Class Session: 1

Topic: Professional Development for Managers - Class Introduction and Professional Branding

This class will provide an overview of the course, its benefits, key learnings, expectations and will cover professional branding, as students will learn about the Canadian resume, cover letter and elevator pitch.

### Read / Watch before this session:

1. The Resume Guidelines pdf file attached under Module 1

2. Elevator Pitch: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tMSz5MZxuPM 
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(https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tMSz5MZxuPM)

#### Assignment Due Session 2:

Send your UPDATED resume and cover letter to the Instructor as ONE <u>Word</u> file named "Your First Name Your Family Name\_Cover Letter and Resume\_Date" (1st page cover letter, 2nd page resume) <u>together with</u> the Job Description used to create the resume and cover letter (separate file as pdf), before Session 2; please make sure you respect ALL the rules learned in Session 1 and follow the templates attached in Module 1 on Canvas

• Complete the **CareerLeader™** (For MBA/Masters);

You should have already received an email from SSB-Career Development Centre, with the Subject: Career Leader Registration, giving you log-in instructions to CareerLeader. Please note that you are required to only use your schulich.yorku.ca email to access this platform, not yorku.ca email. If you didn't receive an email with the instructions, please inform the Instructor ASAP.

You'll receive a report outlining your skills, motivators, interests, and a list of career paths to explore. **Please send your report to the Instructor before Session 2.** 

#### Assignment due Session 2:

• Create and practice your Elevator Pitch; start now with your practice; every session 3-5 students will have the opportunity to tell their Elevator Pitch

## Class 2 - Professional Development for Managers – Self-assessment, Job Search Strategy, and Presentations - January 19, 2024

Overview: Professional Development for Managers – Self-assessment, Job Search Strategy and Presentations

Class Session: 2

Topic: Professional Development for Managers – Self-assessment and Job Search Strategy

This class will help students reflect on their personal strengths and define their career goals and mission statement based on their *CareerLeader* assessment. Students will learn how to build their Job Search Strategy, locally and internationally, while understanding the cultural context and potential challenges.

In the second part of the session the students will learn about how to create powerful presentations, and how to develop PowerPoint decks and Storyboards. Make sure to integrate these learnings in your deliverables for this course.

#### Watch before this session:

1. Duarte, N. (2012, December 11). Create Slides People Will Remember. HBR. https://hbr.org /video/2235534274001/create-slides-people-will-remember.

#### Read before this session:

Ultimate Career Guide, Chapter 2: Getting to Know Yourself

#### You can download the Ultimate Career Guide from:

https://issuu.com/schulichschool/docs/schulich-cdc-careerguide-web 
(https://issuu.com /schulichschool/docs/schulich-cdc-careerguide-web)

#### **Assignment due Session 6:**

• Schedule your first one-on-one coaching session with the Instructor starting from now until Session 6. In the first one-on-one coaching session (45min) the CareerLeader Assessment results will be discussed as well as the career options. The students are expected to complete the CareerLeader Assessment before the coaching session, read and send the report to the Instructor.

#### Assignment due Session 10:

• Start researching the job target market after this session, Session 2. Create your *Strategic Job Search Plan*, a report in Word (max. 1000 words, 12-point font, single-spaced) and a PowerPoint Presentation (max. 9 slides, min 18-point font). Send them both to the Instructor by March 20, 2024, 11:59pm. Be prepared to present it in the class in Session 10, March 22, 2024.

#### Please name your files:

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### Class 3 - Professional Development for Managers - Networking, LinkedIn and

### Reflection - January 26, 2024

Overview: Professional Development for Managers – Networking, LinkedIn and Reflection

Class Session: 3

Topic: Professional Development for Managers – Networking, LinkedIn and Reflection

Students will learn about the importance of networking and how to obtain successful results in different cultural contexts both face-to-face and online – using LinkedIn.

In the second part of the session, the students will learn about reflection, Ryan's 5Rs Model and how to apply in their professional life.

#### Read before this session:

1. Ryan, M. 2013. "The Pedagogical Balancing Act: Teaching Reflection in Higher Education." *Teaching in Higher Education* 18 (2): 144–155. doi:10.1080/13562517.2012.694104

2. Ultimate Career Guide, Chapter 4: Marketing Yourself: Networking

3. Ultimate Career Guide, Chapter 5: Marketing Yourself: LinkedIn

#### You can download the Ultimate Career Guide from:

https://issuu.com/schulichschool/docs/schulich-cdc-careerguide-web 
(https://issuu.com /schulichschool/docs/schulich-cdc-careerguide-web)

#### Assignment due before your second coaching Session:

• Update your LinkedIn profile! Start NOW! and have the profile ready before the second coaching session, when it will be discussed and graded.

#### Assignment due before Class 11

Attend at least two networking events during this term. Ideally one of them should be outside Schulich (not organized by Schulich). Write a Reflection Paper, using Ryan's 5Rs Model Mapping, comparing the two events. The Reflection Paper should be 1000 words, space 1, font 12. Please save it as "*Your First Name Your Family Name\_Networking Experience Reflection Paper\_MGMT 6350 F*" and send it to your Instructor before the deadline, Class 11, April 5, 2024.

### Class 4 - Professional Development for Managers – Interviewing 1 - February 2, 2024

Overview: Professional Development for Managers – Interviewing 1

Class Session: 4

Topic: Professional Development for Managers - Interviewing 1

Students will learn how to interview effectively on phone, video or face-to-face, how to communicate with passion, sincerity and credibility, and how to feel at ease and reduce their anxiety in a cross-cultural context. Students will learn how to negotiate a job offer.

#### Read before this session:

1. Sehgal, K., Claman, P., & Knight, R. (2019, November 6). *To Ace Your Job Interview, Get into Character and Rehearse*. Harvard Business Review. https://hbr.org/2017/04/to-ace-your-job-interview-get-into-character-and-rehearse.

You can access at: http://researchguides.library.yorku.ca/HBR (http://researchguides.library.yorku.ca/HBR)

2. Ultimate Career Guide, Chapter 6: The Art of the Interview

### You can download the Ultimate Career Guide from:

https://issuu.com/schulichschool/docs/schulich-cdc-careerguide-web 🕞 (https://issuu.com /schulichschool/docs/schulich-cdc-careerguide-web)

3. Malhotra, D. (2020, November 20).15 Rules for Negotiating a Job Offer. Harvard Business Review. https://hbr.org/2014/04/15-rules-for-negotiating-a-job-offer.

You can access at: http://researchguides.library.yorku.ca/HBR (http://researchguides.library.yorku.ca/HBR)

Assignment Due before your second coaching Session (will be scheduled between session 7 and 12):

**START NOW!** You will use Quinncia, an Al Mock Interviewing platform, available via Schulich Handshake platform, to record your video interview. You will be first asked to upload your resume, critique it, and then the Al system will generate a series of questions for the mock interview. You should already have access to Quinncia. If not, please let the Instructor know. To log on Quinncia please use **ONLY your Schulich email addres**s.

You will record your video interviews on Quinncia **BEFORE the second coaching Session**, allowing enough time for processing so that the Instructor has access to it. **You will receive feedback and be graded on your Quinncia video recording in your second coaching session**.

Quinncia only saves fully the last attempt and the scores for the last 3 attempts. Remember to save your scores each time as you receive the grading points no matter in which attempt you reach the scores. You are encouraged to practice minimum 10 times, receiving 1 point for each of the 10 times.

Class 5 - Professional Development for Managers – Verbal and Body Communication - February 9, 2024

Overview: Professional Development for Managers – Verbal and Body Communication

Class Session: 5

Topic: Professional Development for Managers - Verbal and Body Communication

Students will learn about culturally specific rules for effective communication – voice, tone, and body language, and they will apply the knowledge practicing their Elevator Pitches. Facilitator for this session is Bonnie Gross, President SpeechScience International - https://www.linkedin.com /in/speaksuccessfully/

Watch:

- 1. Intonation: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3ZrUJ0BkBy0
- 2. Vocal Branding: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p\_ylzGfHKOs
- 3. Vocal Executive Presence: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=02EJ1IdC6tE

# Class 6 - Professional Development for Managers – Interviewing 2 - February 16, 2024

Overview: Professional Development for Managers – Interviewing 2

Class Session: 6

Topic: Professional Development for Managers - Interviewing 2

Students will learn about case interviews, when are these used and how to practice in order to achieve positive results. The second part of the session will welcome Big 4 Consultants/Partners who will share from their working experience and answer your questions.

### Watch before this session:

- 1. McKinsey Case Interview Example: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=orsNS3YG\_KE
- 2. Bain Full Case Interview Example:



(https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jL0DzzPLsa4)

### Assignment due Session 7:

Research the Speaker for next session Volunteer (2 students) to welcome and introduce the Speaker Prepare 1 question for the Speaker (each student)

## Class 7 - Professional Development for Managers – Speaker Series 1 - March 1, 2024

Overview: Professional Development for Managers – Speaker Series 1

Class Session: 7

Topic: Professional Development for Managers - Speaker Series 1 and Presentations

**Speaker: Kenneth (Ken) Tanenbaum**, Executive Chairman of Coca-Cola Canada Bottling Limited AND Chairman of Kilmer Developments

https://www.linkedin.com/in/ken-tanenbaum-4571b73/ ⇒ (https://www.linkedin.com/in/ken-tanenbaum-4571b73/)

In this session the Speaker will cover career-related topics including leadership style, work-life balance, personal branding, negotiation skills, and personal experiences based on their careers.

### Assignment due Session 12:

Schedule your second one-on-one coaching session with the Instructor starting from now until Session 12. In the second one-on-one coaching session (45min) the Instructor will review and grade the Quinncia video interview and the LinkedIn profile. Please have ready your Quinncia video interview recordings and your LinkedIn profile **BEFORE** your second one-on-one coaching session.

## Class 8 - Professional Development for Managers – Improvisation - March 8, 2024

Overview: Professional Development for Managers – Improvisation

Class Session: 8

Topic: Professional Development for Managers - Improvisation

Students will learn improvisation techniques applicable in networking set ups. In the second part of the session the students will deliver their *Strategic Job Search Plan* presentations.

### Read / Watch before this session:

1. Gino, F. (2019, May 17). *Using Improv to Unite Your Team*. HBR. https://hbr.org/video /6038086711001/using-improv-to-unite-your-team.

2. Siliezar, J. (2019, May 2). *Improv skills can translate to social and professional skills*. Harvard Gazette. https://news.harvard.edu/gazette/story/2019/05/improv-skills-can-translate-to-social-and-professional-skills/.

You can access at: http://researchguides.library.yorku.ca/HBR (http://researchguides.library.yorku.ca/HBR)

#### Assignment due Session 9:

Research the Speaker for next session Volunteer (2 students) to welcome and introduce the Speaker Prepare 1 question for the Speaker (each student)

Class 9 - Professional Development for Managers – Speaker Series 2 - March 15, 2024

Overview: Professional Development for Managers – Speaker Series 2

Class Session: 9

<u>Topic: Professional Development for Managers – Speaker Series 2</u>

Speaker: Craig Rimer, Chief Executive Officer of Cidel

https://www.linkedin.com/in/craig-rimer-258ab823/ ⊟ (https://www.linkedin.com/in/craig-rimer-258ab823/) Speaker will cover career-related topics including leadership style, work-life balance, personal branding, negotiation skills, and personal experiences based on their careers. The session should be very interactive, students should ask relevant questions.

#### Assignment due Session 10:

**Research** the Alumni (Alumni will be announced via email) and **Prepare 1 question** for the MBA Alumni Panel (each student)

**Send** your *Strategic Job Search Plan*, a paper in Word (max. 1000 words, 12-point font, single-spaced) and a PowerPoint Presentation (max 9 slides, min 18-point font). **Send both of them** (the paper in Word and the PowerPoint slides as .pptx) to the Instructor by March 20, 2023, 11:59pm. Be prepared to present it in the class in Session 10, March 22, 2024.

### Please name your files:

"Your First Name Your family Name\_Strategic Job Search Plan\_MGMT 6350 F" and

"Your First Name Your Family Name\_Strategic Job Search PowerPoint\_MGMT 6350 F".

## Class 10 - Professional Development for Managers – MBA Alumni Panel and Strategic Job Search Plan Presentations - March 22, 2024

Overview: Professional Development for Managers – MBA Alumni Panel and Strategic Job Search Plan Presentations delivery

Class Session: 10

Topic: Professional Development for Managers – MBA Alumni Panel

MBA Alumni will discuss and share ideas about their professional career progression. The session should be very interactive, students should ask relevant questions.

In the last hour of the session you should be prepared to deliver their Strategic Job Search Plan PowerPoint and receive feedback from the Instructor and the MBA Alumni Panel. As only 5 students will have this great opportunity, please make sure to indicate early to the Instructor that you want to present!

#### Assignment due Session 11:

Research the Speaker for next week Volunteer (2 students) to welcome and introduce the Speaker Prepare 1 question for the Speaker (each student)

## Class 11 - Professional Development for Managers – Speaker Series 3 - April 5, 2024

Overview: Professional Development for Managers – Speaker Series 3

Class Session: 11

Topic: Professional Development for Managers – Speaker Series 3

Speaker: Gregory David, President & CEO, GRI Capital - https://www.linkedin.com/in/gregory-david-toronto/ 
(https://www.linkedin.com/in/gregory-david-toronto/)

Speaker will cover career-related topics including leadership style, work-life balance, personal branding, negotiation skills, and personal experiences based on their careers. The session should be very interactive, students should ask relevant questions.

### Assignment due Session 12:

- Research the Speaker for next week
- Volunteer (2 students) to welcome and introduce the Speaker
- Prepare 1 question for the Speaker (each student)

### Class 12 - Professional Development for Managers – Speaker Series 4 - April 12, 2024

Overview: Professional Development for Managers – Speaker Series 4 - April 8, 2024 - Zoom session

Class Session: 12

Topic: Professional Development for Managers - Speaker Series 4

Speaker: Katie Jamieson, SVP - Legal at Herschel Supply Company - https://www.linkedin.com /in/katie-j-0a708a84/?originalSubdomain=ca 🕞 (https://www.linkedin.com/in/katie-j-0a708a84 /?originalSubdomain=ca)

Speaker will cover career-related topics including leadership style, work-life balance, personal branding, negotiation skills, and personal experiences based on their careers. The session should be very interactive, students should ask relevant questions.

The final Quiz can be taken on this day, you will have a window a 24h to take it, starting from 1:30pmEST today. This is an online multiple choice Quiz, with few short essays.

## STUDENT PREPARATION FOR CLASS AND CLASS PARTICIPATION: EXPECTATIONS

## Preparation

### Method of Instruction

This course is designed using a variety of pedagogical approaches—interactive lectures, class discussions, simulations/role-playing, and individual/group presentations. There will also be a number of guest speakers throughout the semester who will present their experience in various topics.

### **Student Preparation**

A key pedagogical assumption of this course is that students are co-creators of the learning experience. Students help create learning for themselves and others through active participation. This means both listening to others carefully and contributing respectfully. Class discussions are an important opportunity to practice communicating about concepts and information. Therefore, and given the method of instruction described above, *students are strongly encouraged to ask questions and actively participate during class*.

In addition, *students are expected to have read or watch all assigned materials and videos* and made an honest effort to think critically ("outside the box") prior to each class meeting in order to be prepared to discuss them in class.

This course demands hard work and dedication. *A minimum of 4 hours of work outside class (keeping up with reading/videos, preparing assignments, and so on) is required each week.* If you do not understand something, ask questions in class. If necessary, e-mail the instructor for an appointment. The instructor is here to help you learn.

### The below assignments are required for this course:

- 1. Resume
- 2. Cover letter
- 3. Video interview
- 4. LinkedIn updated profile
- 5. Strategic job search plan
- 6. Networking Simulation
- 7. Two one-on-one coaching sessions
- 8. Quiz

The course is aimed to prepare the students to acquire knowledge and develop skills that will help them (a) secure meaningful jobs and (b) acquire knowledge and develop skills that will make them be successful managers. It is therefore expected that the students are regularly attending the classes.

### Attendance, Etiquette and Courtesy

Students are expected to attend all classes. Failure to attend any of the classes, without prior permission from the Instructor or appropriate documentation in the event of unforeseen and extenuating circumstances (as verified by the Instructor or Student Services), will lead to a 10% reduction of grade.

#### If absent, students are still responsible for all contents, assignments and information covered in class.

During class, *please focus on the lesson at hand*. Please refrain from private discussions with your classmates as this may be distracting to those around you. Share your insights and thoughts with the whole class.

In the business world, punctuality is one of key factors of success and good ethics. Therefore, *students are expected* to come to class on time (up to 5 minutes before the class starts) to avoid disturbing the instructor and the rest of the

*class.* It is understandable that extenuating circumstances may arise. If you are unavoidably late, please be considerate and enter the class discretely. Use the rear door if one is available.

Students are also expected to turn off any cell phone, beeper and/or other electronic device during class time. This is also part of business ethics and to avoid/reduce disturbing the instructor and the rest of the class.

Overall, *please conduct yourselves with the professionalism, respectfulness and courtesy expected of students at the Schulich School of Business.* This is an important part of developing yourself as a human being.

### Online Zoom teaching

Think of a Zoom lecture as a face-to-face meeting and conduct yourself as you would if you were all present in the same room. Zoom is our virtual classroom and therefore appropriate classroom behaviour is expected. Below are some useful tips to help ensure the session goes smoothly for all involved:

Join early, up to 5 minutes before the session start time, because the class will start on time. Attend from a distraction-free and quiet environment (to the extent possible).

Turn-on your camera unless you are experiencing connection issues or have other concerns with having your camera being on.

Understand that your audio will be on mute upon entry. Continue to mute your audio until you want to speak and after you are done speaking.

Use "Raise Hand" feature if you want to speak. Wait for the instructor to call your name and then unmute your audio to speak.

Chat feature can also be used to ask questions or share ideas to all (not as a private message). If you would like to use the chat box, remember that it is public, and a record of the chat is kept and archived. Please ask your question once - the instructor will address questions periodically to avoid regular disruptions to the flow of the lecture. If your question remains unanswered at the end of the lecture, please feel free to ask it again at that time.

Minimize doing other things (e.g., texting, talking to others) as it detracts from your and others learning environment. Focus and be present.

When attending the course and related events, students are expected to wear business formal attire, as part of the learning process. Please read the article in the next link to understand what is expected:

http://smallbusiness.chron.com/difference-between-business-casual-business-attire-24536.html  $\Rightarrow$  (http://smallbusiness.chron.com/difference-between-business-casual-business-attire-24536.html).

These course materials are designed for use as part of this course at York University and are the property of the instructor unless otherwise stated. Third party copyrighted materials (such as book chapters, journal articles, music, videos, etc.) have either been licensed for use in this course or fall under an exception or limitation in Canadian Copyright law.

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The Senate of York University

## **Meeting Synopsis**

## The 703rd Meeting of Senate Held on Thursday, 15 February 2024, via Zoom

## Remarks

The Chair, Poonam Puri, welcomed Senators to the 703<sup>rd</sup> meeting of Senate, and noted that Senator Alison Macpherson would act as Vice-Chair for the meeting.

The President spoke to the challenges posed by the reduction in international study permits and ensuing confusion for applicants, the implications on university enrolment and strategic planning, the necessity for cost reduction and strategic enrolment management, alongside opportunities for innovation in pedagogy and AI initiatives.

## Approvals

Senate approved the recommendations of the Executive Committee to:

- amend the Rules of Senate to integrate representation from the Markham campus in the Senate membership and make editorial updates to reflect recent changes in titles of senior administration positions; and
- confirm the membership of Senate for the period 1 July 2024 30 June 2026 with a maximum of 169 and allocations by Faculty, with the School of Arts, Media, Performance & Design, the Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies, the Lassonde School of Engineering and the Faculty of Science, as the anchor Faculties delivering Markham campus programming.

Senate approved the recommendation of the Academic Policy, Planning and Research Committee to recommend to the Board of Governors the establishment of 4 academic units and disestablishment of 14 existing units at Glendon; and relatedly, Senate approved the transfer of the constituent academic programs and curricula from the 14 existing units to the 4 new departments at Glendon, effective 1 September 2024.

Senate approved the recommendations of the Academic Standards, Curriculum and Pedagogy Committee to amend Faculty-wide Regulations at Glendon College applicable to all BA and Honours BA/iBA degree programs to:

- remove major grade point average (GPA) requirements for graduation, effective FW2024; and
- remove the Failed to Gain Standing Academic Decision sanction.

## **York University Senate**

## **Committee Information Items**

### Executive

The Executive Committee's information items included the following:

- Summary of suggestions, questions and comments raised at the 18 January 2024 special meeting of Senate on the report of the Auditor General of Ontario
- Ruling on a hortative motion submitted for consideration of Senate
- Additions to the pool of prospective honorary degree recipients as recommended by the Honorary Degrees and Ceremonials Sub-Committee

### Academic Policy, Planning and Research (APPRC)

APPRC reported on the following items:

- report from the Interim Deputy Provost on FW'24 applications at Markham Campus
- Its preliminary discussion of the report of the APPRC-ASCP Task Force on the Future of Pedagogy
- Horizon Europe Research Program

### Academic Standards, Curriculum and Pedagogy (ASCP)

ASCP reported on the following items:

- Minor modifications to degree requirements in programs housed in AMPD, FGS, Health, LA&PS and Lassonde, effective FW 2024
- Status update on the Attending Physician Statement and Academic Conduct policies

# Academic Policy, Planning and Research / Academic Standards, Curriculum and Pedagogy

APPRC and ASCP conveyed a report from the *Joint Sub-Committee on Quality Assurance* which included Final Assessment Reports for completed Cyclical Program Reviews and advised of enhancements to process matters.

## **Additional Information about this Meeting**

Please refer to the full Senate agenda and supplementary material <u>posted online</u> with the **15 February 2024** meeting for details about the items reported.

Senate's next meeting will be held at 3:00 pm on Thursday, 28 March 2024.

### Schulich School of Business Memorandum

To: Faculty Council, Schulich School of Business
From: Mike Valente, MBA Program Director
Date: January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024
Re: Retire MGMT 6150 and Change Rubric to MGMT 5150

Motion 1: That faculty council approve the retirement of MGMT 6150 – Leadership Skills for a Turbulent Environment

Motion 2: That faculty council approve the change in rubric of MGMT 5150 – Skills for Leadership to MGMT 6150 - Skills for Leadership

Rationale:

These motions support the MBA minor program change where MGMT 6150 becomes part of the MBA core curriculum and becomes a compulsory course for accelerated and advanced standing students. To achieve this end, this motion first aims to retire the existing course with rubric MGMT 6150. This course was originally designed as an elective version of MGMT 5150, specifically for accelerated students. It is no longer required. The second motion aims to change the rubric of MGMT 5150 to MGMT 6150 to ensure that accelerated and advanced standing students, who will now be required to take this course, are not prohibited from taking SGMT 6000 and other electives that have MGMT 5150 as a prerequisite.



## Course Change Proposal Form Schulich School of Business

The following information is required for all course change proposals. To facilitate the review/approval process, please use the headings below (and omit the italicized explanations below each heading). Provide evidence of consultation, where appropriate.

- 1. Responsible Program: MBA Program
- 2. Responsible Unit: MBA Program
- 3. Subject Code (Rubric) and Course Number: MGMT 6150
- 4. Credit Value: 3.00
- 5. Long Course Title: Leadership Skills for a Turbulent World
- 6. Short Course Title: Leadership Skills for a Turbulent World
- 7. Type of Course Change(s) (indicate all that apply):

	in course number
	in credit value (provide course outline)
	in course title (provide course outline; short course titles may be a maximum of 40 characters, including punctuation and spaces)
	in course description (provide course outline; short course descriptions may be a maximum of 60 words, written in present tense)
	in learning objectives/outcomes (please append the program's existing learning outcomes as a separate document)
	in integration (please provide statement of approval from relevant undergraduate coordinator or Chair)
	in cross-listing (please provide statement of approval from other program)
	in pre/co-requisite
Х	retire course
	other (please specify)

8. Effective Term/Calendar Year of Proposed Change(s): Fall 2024



9. Rationale:

This course was originally designed as an elective version of MGMT 5150 (Skills for Leadership), specifically for accelerated students. It is no longer required because we intend to make Skills for Leadership a compulsory course for accelerated students.

### 10. Proposed Course Information:

Existing Course Information (Change From):	Proposed Course Information (Change To):
Title <del>MGMT 6150: Leadership Skills in a</del> <del>Turbulent World</del>	Title
Drawing on complexity science, strategy, psychology and leadership development models, the course employs lectures, experiential learning activities and self- assessments to help students develop the leadership and professional skills required for a turbulent world. Students will learn to deal with complex problems strategically and effectively and be challenged to advance self-identified personal development goals.	

### 11. Enrolment Notes:

Although this course was approved, it was not offered due to low enrollment.

### 12. Consultation:

Consultation took place with the course director, the head of student enrollment services, and the director of academic affairs. It should be noted that MGMT courses fall under the responsibility and oversight of the MBA Program Director.

Originator:

*Mike Valente* Signature February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Date



Mike Valente Name MBA Program Area or Specialization

Approvals:

Area or Specialization

I have reviewed this change form and I support the proposed changes to the course.

Eebruary 7 <sup>th</sup> , 2024
Date

Mike Valente Name MBA Program Area or Specialization

Degree Program:

I have reviewed this change form and I support the proposed changes to the course.

Mike Valente	February 7 <sup>th</sup> , 2024
Signature	Date

Mike Valente Name of Program Director MBA Program Program

Program Committee:

This course change has received the approval of the relevant Program Committee.

Kevin Tasa	February 15, 2024		
Signature	Date		

Kevin Tasa Name of Committee Chair MPC Committee

last updated: Sep 01 11:09am EDT.



## **BRIEF DESCRIPTION**

Drawing on complexity science, strategy, psychology and leadership development models, the course employs lectures, experiential learning activities and self-assessments to help students develop the leadership and professional skills required for a turbulent world. Students will learn to deal with complex problems strategically and effectively and be challenged to advance self-identified personal development goals.

## **LEARNING REMOTELY**

Due to the COVID-19 situation, this course will run in an online format. All students are expected to have the following technology to participate in this course:

- 1. Computer
- 2. High speed internet
- 3. Web camera
- 4. Microphone

Several platforms will be used in this course (e.g., Canvas, Zoom, etc.) through which students will interact with the course materials, the instructor, as well as with one another. Please review the technical specifications for **Zoom** (https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362023-System-Requirements-for-PC-Mac-and-Linux) and **Canvas** (https://community.canvasIms.com/t5/Canvas-Basics-Guide/What-are-the-browser-and-computer-requirements-for-Canvas/tap/66). Please review the syllabus to determine how the class meets (in whole or in part) and how presentations will be conducted. Students shall note the following:

- Zoom is hosted on servers in the U.S. This includes recordings done through Zoom.
- If you have privacy concerns about your data, provide only your first name or a nickname when you join a session.
- The system is configured in a way that all participants are automatically notified when a session is being recorded. In other words, a session cannot be recorded without you knowing about it.

Copying of any Zoom recordings or other course materials for public or commercial distribution is strictly prohibited and may lead to copyright and/or privacy law violations.

## **ASSIGNMENT SUMMARY**

Assignment   Task	Group   Individual	Total % of Final Grade	Due Date
[Deliverable Group] 0%			
[Deliverable]	Ø	O%	
Peer Learning Circle Reflections 10%			
Peer Learning Circle - Class 2	පි	2.5%	Mon Sep 21, 2020 at 11:00am EDT
Peer Learning Circle - Class 3	රු	2.5%	Mon Sep 28, 2020 at 11:00am EDT
Peer Learning Circle - Class 4	රු	2.5%	Mon Oct 5, 2020 at 11:00am EDT
Peer Learning Circle - Class 6	පි	2.5%	Mon Oct 26, 2020 at 11:00am EDT
Grand Challenge Team Project 35%			
Team Contract	පි	0%	Mon Sep 14, 2020 at 11:59pm EDT
Grand Challenge Team Project - Video Pitch   Presentation	පි	17.5%	Sun Nov 1, 2020 at 11:59pm EST
Grand Challenge Team Project - Deck Report	රු	17.5%	Sun Nov 1, 2020 at 11:59pm EST
Grade Allocation Form	රු	0%	Sun Nov 1, 2020 at 11:59pm EST
Grade Allocation Adjustment	B	O%	
Learning and Development Portfolio 40%			
Personal Case - Description	Ê	0%	Mon Sep 21, 2020 at 11:59pm EDT
Personal Case - Making a Leadership Difference	Ŝ	26.67%	Wed Dec 9, 2020 at 11:59pm EST
Reflection: As a Future Leader, I Will Need to	Ê	13.33%	Wed Dec 9, 2020 at 11:59pm EST
[Deliverable Group] 0%			
[Deliverable]	e	0%	

Assignment   Task	Group   Individual	Total % of Final Grade	Due Date
Imported Assignments 0%			
Class 8 Homework: Making Your Team Work: Assets & Liabilities	ප	O%	Fri Nov 9, 2018 at 08:30am EST
Course Contribution 15%			
Course Contribution	ø	15%	
Class 7 Homework: Key Takeaways	ය	0%	Wed Nov 4, 2020 at 11:59pm EST
Class 8 Homework: Key Takeaways	ප	0%	Wed Nov 11, 2020 at 11:59pm EST
Class 9 Homework: The Reach of Managerial Responsibility	ප	O%	Wed Nov 18, 2020 at 11:59pm EST
Class 11 Homework: Key Takeaways	ප	O%	Wed Dec 2, 2020 at 11:59pm EST
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## WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS: DESCRIPTIONS

## [Deliverable]

### Peer Learning Circle - Class 2

**Due Date:** Mon Sep 21, 2020 at 11:00am EDT

# <u>Assigned reading</u>: Wendell-Wendellborg, T. (2017). "Are You Solving The Right Problems?", Harvard Business Review, 95 (1; January/February), 76-83.

The Peer Learning Circle is an opportunity for you to engage with some of your peers – your "circle" – to discuss assigned course readings or other materials with the purpose of learning from each other. It is important that you "meet" rather than exchange texts or email to fully utilize your peer learning circle. The richness of the interaction will likely lead to insights and takeaways that are greater than the cumulative individual perspectives. We recommend that you engage in deep discussion of the assigned reading/material for at least 30 minutes to tease out the individual viewpoints and arrive at a deeper collective understanding.

## CLASS-BY-CLASS SYLLABUS

## MBA Launch Week: Making Your Team Work (for MGMT5150)

Teamwork can be exhilarating and highly productive. It can be infuriating and time-consuming. During your MBA, you will be a member of many different teams. So, it makes sense to learn about building effective teams and dealing with team dynamics early. This online module - designed for the Strategic Field Study ("601"), but applicable for MGMT5150 - covers key aspects of effective teamwork and specific action recommendations for making your team in MGMT5150 work.

GR M	Aking Your Team Work - Introduction	
C <sup>D</sup>	Forming an Effective Team	
d <sup>D</sup>	Getting Your Team Going: The First Meeting	
d <sup>D</sup>	Getting Your Team Going: Team Norms & Contract	
C <sup>D</sup>	Leadership & Roles	
C <sup>D</sup>	Productive Meetings & Better Ideas	
C <sup>D</sup>	Types of Team Conflict	
P	Common Team Issues	

## Class 1 - Leading the Possible: Leadership Challenges in a Turbulent World

he co	her organizations are faced with an ever increasing rate of change and complexity. As an introduction t urse, we'll be examining the nature of turbulence and start our exploration of its implications for ship in this class.
	ndatory Reading
Ø	Soundview Executive Book Summaries: Taleb, N.N. (2007). "The Black Swan", Random House. Reviewed by Stephen Wolter.
Ø	Achi, Z. & Garvey Berger, J. (2015). "Delighting in the Possible", McKinsey Quarterly, 2015 (2; March), 90-99.
P	Andersen, E. (2016). "Learning to Learn." Harvard Business Review, 94(3), 98-101.



## Class 2 - The Art of Reframing I: Are you Solving the Right Problem?

often o proble	oblems really worth solving - the ones with which we can make a positive leadership difference - are complex and without obvious solutions. Instead they require us to consider different ways of seeing the m. In this class, we will explore the nature of complexity and develop framing and reframing techniques an be used to broaden one's perspective (or mindset) to see new opportunities.
Ma	ndatory Readings/Viewing
P	Ancona, D., Malone, T.W., Orlikowski, W.J. & Senge P.M (2007). "In Praise of the Incomplete Leader", Harvard Business Review, 85 (2; February), 92-100.
P	Wendell-Wendellborg, T. (2017). "Are You Solving The Right Problems?", Harvard Business Review, 95 (1; January/February), 76-83.
Op	tional Reading/Viewing (not mandatory, but relevant and hopefully interesting)
	HBR IdeaCast: "The Secret to Better Problem-Solving" with Thomas Wendell-Wendellborg
fii-	Video: Introduction to the Cynefin Framework
fii-	Video: Alan Iny - Reigniting Creativity in Business (TED@BCG)
CP	IBM (2010). Capitalizing on Complexity: Insights from the Global Chief Executive Officer Study
CP	World Economic Forum (2013). Perspectives on a Hyperconnected World: Insights from the Science of Complexity
P	BCG Henderson Institute - Explore the cutting edge research and thought leadership on complexity and leadership by the Boston Consulting Group.
B	Deloitte Center for the Edge - Explore how Deloitte is addressing complexity and its implication for leadership and business through research and consulting.

Deliverables

Personal Case - Description

Peer Learning Circle - Class 2

## Class 3 - The Art of Reframing II: Creating New Ways Forward

as tech	ons we ask shape the answers we find. Appreciative inquiry and creative metaphors will be introduced niques that can help us develop insights otherwise hidden from us. Finally, we will consider how e can be introduced to organizations by identifying high leverage points, the 15% principle.
Mar	ndatory Reading
CP	Sawhney, M. & Khosla, S. (2014). "Managing Yourself: Where to Look for Insight", Harvard Business Review, 92(11), 126-129.
CP	Martin, R.L. & Golsby-Smith, T. (2017). "Management Is Much More Than A Science", Harvard Business Review, 95(5), 128-135.
Opt	ional Reading/Viewing (not mandatory, but relevant and hopefully interesting)
	Video: Beau Lotto - Changing the Space of Possibility
ÎII.	Barton, D. (2011). "Capitalism for the Long Term", Harvard Business Review, 89(3; March), 84-91.
-lii-	Red Teaming - How the U.S. Army Embraces and Teaches Reframing
0D	Reeves, M., Levin, S., & Ueda, D. (BCG Henderson Institute; July 18, 2017). Think Biologically: Messy Management for a Complex World
Ċ	Reeves, M. & Harnoss, J. (BCG Henderson Institute; June 6, 2017). The Business of Business Is No Longe Just Business
CD	Tsusaka, M., Reeves, M., Hurder, S. & Harnoss, J. (BCG Henderson Institute; July 20, 2017). Diversity at Work
Slid	es
Deli	iverables

### Class 4 - Convergent Thinking: Probing the Possible

In the previous classes, we engaged in divergent thinking and challenged taken-for-granted assumptions by intentionally increasing the levels of uncertainty and disagreement. The aim was to develop new insights that help us better understand problems and more effectively create innovative solutions. Uncertainty and disagreement, however, make it very difficult to commit to action. Hence, we will now turn to convergent thinking in an attempt to create greater certainty in an inherently uncertain world. While divergent thinking is required to generate hypotheses ("What if...?"), convergent thinking utilizes the scientific method, which relies on the systematic and rigorous analysis of data to test the hypotheses ("If..., then...").

Mandatory Reading

Argyris, C. (1991). "Teaching Smart People How to Learn", Harvard Business Review, 69(3), 99-109.

Liedtka, J.M. (2006). "Using Hypothesis-Driven Thinking in Strategy Consulting", Darden Business
 Publishing Teaching Note BP-0486

Electronic copies of the second reading for this week - "Using Hypothesis-Driven Thinking in Strategy Consulting" by Jeanne Liedtka - can be purchased directly from Ivey Publishing for C\$3.75 using the link above. Due to copyright restrictions, we're unable to provide a copy of this reading. This technical note is not only a core reading for this course, but also an invaluable resource for your Strategic Field Study (the '601').

Optional Reading (not mandatory, but relevant and hopefully interesting)

Secret Ingredient for Success: Double-Loop Learning

Slides

Deliverables

Peer Learning Circle - Class 4

## Class 5 - Team Consultations

This week is reserved for a 30-minute check in with each team. Your instructor will share further detail and make times available for which the teams can sign up.

## Class 6 - From Ideas to Action: Creating Buy-In

About two-thirds of all major change initiatives fail, often because of the resistance of various stakeholders. The phrase "this is not the way we do things around here" can stop any change effort in its tracks. This week we will examine ways to create buy-in through identifying and managing paradoxes and developing compelling stories that turn potential opposition into allies.

Mandatory Reading

Sull, D. N. (1999). "Why Good Companies Go Bad". Harvard Business Review, 77(4), 42-50.

P	Smith, W.K., Lewis, M.W. & Tushman, M.L. (2016). "'Both/And' Leadership". Harvard Business Review, 94(5), 62-70.
ĊP	Ashford, S.J. & Detert, J. (2015). "Get the Boss to Buy In". Harvard Business Review, 93(1/2), 72-79.
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Del	iverables
	Peer Learning Circle - Class 6

## READING WEEK (October 27-30, 2020) - NO CLASS

## Class 7 - Longevity in Complex and Shifting Environments (Guest Instructor: Prof. Matthias Kipping)

Based on the origins of Jardines in the 19th century, this class explores how companies can survive, even thrive in rapidly changing environments, in this case Southeast Asia. We will discuss how far business leaders can and should go to defend their interests (a topic taken up again in the next class on ethics) and what lasting consequences their actions have not only for their own organization but also for their context - consequences that have shaped international business until the present day.

Mandatory Reading

"The Opium Wars: How Scottish Traders Fed the Habit", (2005, September 6), The Scotsman.

"The great tea robbery: how the British stole China's secrets and seeds – and broke its monopoly on the brew", (2017, May 27), Post Magazine

Optional Reading (not mandatory, but relevant and hopefully interesting)

P Link to Jardines Matheson website (for those of you who want to learn more about the company)

Forms

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MGMT5150 Peer Feedback Form

Grade Allocation Form

Deliverables

Grand Challenge Team Project - Video Pitch | Presentation

Grand Challenge Team Project - Deck Report

MGMT5150	Grade Allocation	Form
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Class 7 Homework: Key Takeaways

## Class 8 - Reframing Teamwork: Lessons from Complexity Science (Guest Instructor: Ingo Holzinger)

engag acting 100 yea	zations often encourage employees to work in groups and teams, with the hope they will be more ed and productive. However, the team process is often riddled with frustration and conflict rather than as the panacea that companies hope it will be. This class draws on insights from complexity science and ars of group dynamics research to examines the fundamental processes that separate effective teams meffective ones and considers how you can positively influence your teams now and in the future.
Ма	ndatory Reading
Ð	Duhigg, C. (2016). "What Google Learned From Its Quest to Build the Perfect Team" The New York Times Magazine, 28 Feb. 2016, MM20 (online version)
Opt	ional Resources (not mandatory, but relevant and hopefully interesting)
-ÎII-	Google re:Work - Teams
-lii	Video: Amy Edmondson - Building a Psychologically Safe Workplace (or Team)
P	Haas, M. & Mortensen, M. (2016). "The Secrets of Great Teamwork". Harvard Business Review, 94(6), 70-16.
Slic	es
Del	iverables
	Class 8 Homework: Key Takeaways
Ø	[re_Work] Team Effectiveness Discussion Guide (This discussion guide is focused on the five team dynamics Google found to be important for team effectiveness. The guide can help teams identify areas where they might want to improve and elicit ideas of how to do that.)
Ø	[re_Work] Manager Actions for Psychological Safety (This guide can help managers think about how they model and reinforce psychological safety on their teams. Based on research, this guide offers actionable tips for managers and team members to help create team environments where everyone can contribute.)

## Class 9 - Ethics in Organizations (Guest Instructor: Robert Phillips)

Ethics pervades business. To say that business has no ethics (e.g., "Business ethics is an oxymoron.") is to be willfully blind to a vital element of managerial success. Ignorance in general, and of social expectations in

particular, is a competitive disadvantage. With this said, there are elements of one's moral life in business and organizations that are distinctive to that realm ("I learned my ethics at my mother's knee, but she didn't know much about monopoly pricing."). This class will introduce the relevance of ethics to life in the context of value creation and trade.

### Mandatory Reading

Electronic copies of the two readings for this week - "Hitting the Wall: Nike and International Labor Practices" by Debora Spar and Jennifer Burns and "A Note on Obedience to Authority" by Edward Freeman and Andrew Wicks - can be purchased directly from Ivey Publishing for C\$5.25 and C\$3.75, respectively, using the links below. Due to copyright restrictions, we're unable to provide copies of these readings. Both readings are required for this week's homework and will feature prominently in the class discussions.

Spar, D.L. and Burns, J. (2000). "Hitting the Wall: Nike and International Labor Practices", Harvard Business School Case 700-047

For the discussion of this case, please consider the following questions: Is Nike responsible for its subcontractor's business practices? Why and to what extent? How can or should Nike's expectations be monitored and enforced?

Freeman, R.E. and Wicks, A.C. (1990). "A Note on Obedience to Authority", Darden Business Publishing E-0070

Deliverables

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Class 9 Homework: The Reach of Managerial Responsibility

## Class 10 - Power and Influence: How Will YOU Make a Positive Difference?

What is the relationship between leadership and power? Can one lead without power? And more fundamentally, what is power and how is it developed? This week, we will take a look at the role of power in leadership, with a special emphasis on how we can make a positive difference even without being in charge. Among other activities, we will engage in an interactive exercise to develop a deeper appreciation and understanding of power and influence.

Mandatory Reading/Viewing

Heimans, J. & Timms, H. (2014). "Understanding 'New Power'". Harvard Business Review, 92(12), 48-56.

Optional Resources (not mandatory, but relevant and hopefully interesting)

♂ Video: The Science of Persuasion

Slides

Class 11 - Leadership, Strategic Thinking & Value Creation (Guest Instructor: Prof. Theo Peridis)

Peridis will lead the class through a case exercise on strategic thinking this week. He will suggest that ng strategically should not be reserved for executives but can help all of us be more effective. This class ing together and integrate many of the concepts central to this course.
indatory Reading
Case for Class 11: Hudson Beaver Creek
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Class 11 Homework: Key Takeaways
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## Class 12 - Making a Difference: As a Future Leader, I Will Need to....

So, what are your takeaways from this course? What have you learned? Which skills have you identified as important for your future career development? Where will you go from here? We hope that you have gained the sense that you will be a leader (on one scale or another) and that you are capable of making a difference (in your own life/career; in the lives of others; in your organizations; in the world...). Developing the necessary skills will require work. By completing this course (and your first semester in the MBA Program), you have taken one step toward your future. Now what? How are you going to continue your life-long learning journey? The last class of this course provides us with an opportunity to look back on the past twelve weeks and - more importantly - look forward to the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead.

Slides

Deliverables - Components of Your Learning & Development Portfolio

Personal Case - Making a Leadership Difference

Reflection: As a Future Leader, I Will Need to...

## STUDENT PREPARATION FOR CLASS AND CLASS PARTICIPATION: EXPECTATIONS

## **GENERAL SCHULICH ACADEMIC POLICIES/H2>**

## Grading

Grades at Schulich are based on a 9-value index system. The top grade is A+ (9) and the minimum passing grade is C- (1). To keep final grades comparable across courses, sections of required core courses are normally expected to have a mean grade between 4.7 and 6.1. Elective courses are expected to have a mean grade between 5.2 and 6.2.

The Schulich School does not use a percentage scale or prescribe a standard conversion formula from percentages to letter grades. Conversions within a course are at the discretion of the instructor.

For more details on the index, grading policy, and grade point average (GPA) requirements, consult your student handbook.

## Academic Honesty

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### Midterm

Students who miss a mid-term examination must contact their course instructor within 24 hours and provide the course instructor with documentation substantiating the reason for the absence. Instructors may request that students submit a copy of their documentation to Student & Enrolment Services. Accommodations and/or re-scheduling of the mid-term exam will be left to the discretion of the course instructor with the expectation that the case be resolved within 14 calendar days.

### Final

Within 24 hours of missing a final examination students must contact their course instructor. Students must also submit a completed Deferred Standing Request Form within 48 hours online. Formal documentation (e.g. Attending Physician's Statement, Counselor's Statement, death certificate, etc.) regarding the reason for missing the exam must be submitted electronically via file upload as part of the form. The Deferred Standing Request form can be found at https://schulich.yorku.ca/exam-deferral ractionedeferral raction (https://schulich.yorku.ca/exam-deferral) . Student & Enrolment Services willnotify the instructor and copy the student by email if appropriate documentation has been received.

For full details regarding exam deferrals, consult the Undergraduate Academic Handbook (pg.30) and/or the Graduate Policy Handbook (pg. 23).

\* Please note that academic policies specific to this course may be contained in other parts of this course outline.

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## Course Change Proposal Form Schulich School of Business

The following information is required for all course change proposals. To facilitate the review/approval process, please use the headings below (and omit the italicized explanations below each heading). Provide evidence of consultation, where appropriate.

- 1. Responsible Program: MBA Program
- 2. Responsible Unit: MBA Program
- 3. Subject Code (Rubric) and Course Number: MGMT 5150
- 4. Credit Value: 3.00
- 5. Long Course Title: Skills for Leadership
- 6. Short Course Title: Skills for Leadership
- 7. Type of Course Change(s) (indicate all that apply):

Х	in course number
	in credit value (provide course outline)
	in course title (provide course outline; short course titles may be a maximum of 40 characters, including punctuation and spaces)
	in course description (provide course outline; short course descriptions may be a maximum of 60 words, written in present tense)
	in learning objectives/outcomes (please append the program's existing learning outcomes as a separate document)
	in integration (please provide statement of approval from relevant undergraduate coordinator or Chair)
	in cross-listing (please provide statement of approval from other program)
	in pre/co-requisite
	retire course
	other (please specify)

8. Effective Term/Calendar Year of Proposed Change(s): Fall 2024



## 9. Rationale:

Skills for Leadership (MGMT 5150) is intended to become a compulsory course for Accelerated MBA students. To accommodate this minor program change, it is important to change the rubric of MGMT 5150 to MGMT 6150. Currently, MBA students are restricted from taking several 6000 level electives, SGMT 6000, and the Strategy Field Study unless they complete MGMT 5150 as a prerequisite. However, because accelerated MBA students take electives and SGMT 6000 in their first term, MGMT 5150's role as a prerequisite creates a conflict. After exhaustive consultation, it was determined that the best course of action is to change the rubric for this course to one that still allows accelerated students to complete other courses in the same term.

Another option considered was to keep MGMT 5150 the way it is and then insert conditions on the prerequisites of SGMT 6000 and MBA electives that exempts accelerated students. However, this places an unnecessary burden on our internal staff, which becomes increasingly problematic as the proportion of the MBA cohort that are accelerated students increases in coming years. In other words, we feel that it was ill-advised to use exemptions to accommodate students who make up a significant part of our program.

We also considered the potential unintended consequence where regular MBA students would skip MGMT 6150 and take MBA electives, SGMT 6000 and the Strategy Field Study given that 6150 is not a prerequisite for these courses. While possible, we feel that this is a very unlikely scenario and one that could be managed through appropriate communication in the MBA handbook. Also, because the MBA Launch is expected to be inextricably tied to MGMT 6150, MBA students will enter the program expecting to continue in MGMT 6150 what they started in the launch.

10. Proposed Course Information:



Existing Course Information (Change From):	Proposed Course Information (Change To):
Title	Title
MGMT 5150: Skills for Leadership	MGMT 6150: Skills for Leadership
This course develops thinking and	This course develops thinking and
reflective skills required for leadership in a	reflective skills required for leadership in a
complex world. Drawing on complexity	complex world. Drawing on complexity
theory and a multiple-perspectives	theory and a multiple-perspectives
framework that embraces sustainability,	framework that embraces sustainability,
ethics, history, and diversity & inclusion,	ethics, history, and diversity & inclusion,
the course advances students' ability to	the course advances students' ability to
think creatively, analytically, and	think creatively, analytically, and
strategically. Students learn to identify and	strategically. Students learn to identify and
reframe complex problems more	reframe complex problems more
effectively, and to develop and	effectively, and to develop and
communicate innovative solutions	communicate innovative solutions
compellingly.	compellingly.

### 11. Enrolment Notes:

The new course rubric will allow the MBA program to make this course compulsory for all MBA students, including accelerated students.

### 12. Consultation:

Consultation took place with the course director, the head of student enrollment services, and the director of academic affairs.

Originator:

Mike Valente	February 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2024
Signature	Date
Mike Valente	MBA Program

Name

Area or Specialization


#### Approvals:

#### Area or Specialization

I have reviewed this change form and I support the proposed changes to the course.

Mike Valente	February 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2024
Signature	Date

Mike Valente Name MBA Program Director Area or Specialization

Degree Program:

I have reviewed this change form and I support the proposed changes to the course.

*Mike Valente* Signature

February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Date

Mike Valente Name of Program Director MBA Program Director Program

Program Committee:

This course change has received the approval of the relevant Program Committee.

Kevin Tasa

Signature

February 15, 2024

Date

Kevin Tasa Name of Committee Chair MPC

Committee

last updated: Dec 21 9:12am EST.



THIS COURSE IS OPEN TO MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (MBA) STUDENTS ONLY.

# **BRIEF DESCRIPTION**

This course develops thinking and reflective skills required for leadership in a complex world. Drawing on complexity theory and a multiple-perspectives framework that embraces sustainability, ethics, history, and diversity & inclusion, the course advances students ability to think creatively, analytically, and strategically. Students learn to identify and reframe complex problems more effectively, and to develop and communicate innovative solutions compellingly.

# **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

#### "The greatest danger in times of turbulence is not the turbulence; it is to act with yesterday's logic." Peter Drucker

The pandemic was not the sole catalyst for realizing that concepts such as "normal" or "business as usual" are evolving. Modern businesses, governments, and other organizations confront a relentless surge in change and complexity. In light of this, what qualities define effective leadership? Are new forms of leadership required to be effective in this turbulent world?

This course serves as an introduction to the new mindsets needed for success in today's turbulent and complex global environment. For instance, today's leaders must possess the ability to embrace and manage unpredictability while adeptly incorporating diverse perspectives and priorities. They should be capable of identifying and foreseeing emerging trends and patterns, asking provocative questions about their organizations and the broader world, grappling with complex ethical dilemmas, and thinking both "inside and outside the box" in a deep and probing way.

To address these demands, this course fosters the **seeing and thinking skills** required to make a positive leadership difference. It challenges ingrained assumptions about business, management, and leadership, promotes a triple-bottom-line approach for sustainable business, and underscores the significance of introspective self-awareness as fundamental tenets to steer the learning process.

At its core, this course presents a **personal challenge** — an opportunity for active engagement in the learning process. Mere absorption of information will yield limited value. You are urged to critically assess the course content and its relevance to your career, fostering enhanced "**context awareness**" (understanding the immediate and broader world) and "**personal awareness**" (comprehending oneself and one's interactions with the surroundings).

While many of the qualities and skills addressed in this course may be labeled as "soft skills" — due to their elusive nature and resistance to rigorous analysis — they are highly demanding and can be developed. Consequently, the course aims to remove you from your comfort zones and take you into uncharted territories. It will challenge some of your deep-seated beliefs and assumptions and instill new modes of thinking and action. Your gains from the course are directly tied to **your ability to embrace the challenge**, **your personal commitment**, and **your diligence**.

You are invited to enter the course with **an open mind and a spirit of inquiry and adventurousness**, recognizing that awareness of one's strengths and limitations is critical for personal development and success. Be prepared to be **challenged**, **provoked**, and occasionally **frustrated**. The process of acquiring new skills is seldom linear — it necessitates the confrontation of established mindsets and abilities. This expedition requires practice and an awareness of the underlying factors shaping the learning process, including obstacles that may arise. The class discussions, exercises, and assignments are carefully designed to facilitate your learning journey — one that, hopefully, will endure throughout your future life and career.

# **ASSIGNMENT SUMMARY**

Assignment   Task	Group   Individual	Total % of Final Grade	Due Date
Grand Challenge Team Project 35%			
Team Contract omited from final grade.	පි	0%	Thu Sep 21, 2023 at 11:59pm EDT
Grand Challenge Team Project - Video Pitch   Presentation	පි	17.5%	Wed Nov 8, 2023 at 06:00pm EST
Grand Challenge Team Project - Deck Report	රු	17.5%	Wed Nov 8, 2023 at 06:00pm EST
Grade Allocation Form omited from final grade.	පි	O%	Fri Nov 10, 2023 at 11:59pm EST
Grade Allocation Adjustment	ß	0%	
Personal Case 25%			
Personal Case - Description	B	O%	Thu Sep 21, 2023 at 11:59pm EDT
Personal Case - Making a Leadership Difference	පි	25%	Sat Dec 9, 2023 at 11:59pm EST
Reflection: As a Future Leader, I Will Need to	<b>5 25</b> %		
Reflection: As a Future Leader, I Will Need to	ß	25%	Sat Dec 9, 2023 at 11:59pm EST
Course Contribution 15%			
Course Contribution	Ŝ	15%	
Homework Grade Adjustment	ê	O%	
Class 5 Homework: Key Takeaways	Ø	O%	Sat Oct 14, 2023 at 11:59pm EDT
Class 8 Homework: DEI Reflection	S	0%	Sat Nov 11, 2023 at 11:59pm EST
Class 9 Homework: Key takeaways	e	0%	Sat Nov 18, 2023 at 11:59pm EST
Class 11 Homework: Key Takeaways	ß	0%	Sat Dec 2, 2023 at 11:59pm EST

# CLASS-BY-CLASS SYLLABUS

#### OPTIONAL: Making Your Team Work (for MGMT5150 and Beyond)

Teamwork can be exhilarating and highly productive. It can be infuriating and time-consuming. During your MBA, you will be a member of many different teams. So, it makes sense to learn about building effective teams and dealing with team dynamics early. This online module - designed for the Strategic Field Study ("601"), but applicable for MGMT5150 - covers key aspects of effective teamwork and specific action recommendations for making your team in MGMT5150 work.

0D	Forming an Effective Team
CP	Getting Your Team Going: The First Meeting
Ð	Getting Your Team Going: Team Norms & Contract
Ċ	Leadership & Roles
Ċ	Productive Meetings & Better Ideas
C <sup>D</sup>	Types of Team Conflict
C <sup>D</sup>	Common Team Issues

## Class 1 - Leading the Possible: Leadership Challenges in a Turbulent World

Ø	MGMT 5150A Quick Reference F23 v1.3.pdf
🔶 IN-F	PERSON plus 1 asynchronous online module to be completed BEFORE class $\diamondsuit$
govern an intro	ny commentators have observed, turbulence has become the "new normal." Businesses, ments and other organizations are faced with an ever increasing rate of change and complexity. As oduction to the course, we'll be examining the nature of turbulence and start our exploration of its ations for leadership in this class.
Manda	tory Pre-Work (to be completed before class)
Manda	tory Pre-Work (to be completed before class) Online Module: Leading the Possible: Leadership Challenges in a White-Water World

Ĩ	2020
Ø	Achi, Z. & Garvey Berger, J. (2015). "Delighting in the Possible", McKinsey Quarterly, 2015 (2; March), 90-99.
Option	al Reading/Viewing (not mandatory, but relevant and hopefully interesting)
CP	David Livingston (April 5, 2022): Black Swans ARE the New Normal (McCrystal Group)
C <sup>D</sup>	Bernard Avishai: The Pandemic Isn't a Black Swan but a Portent of a More Fragile Global System (The New Yorker)
CP	Kenneth Mikkelsen & Harold Jarche (October 16, 2015): The Best Leaders Are Constant Learners (HBR Blog)
d <sup>D</sup>	McKinsey (August 2, 2021): Future proof: Solving the 'adaptability paradox' for the long term
CP	World Economic Forum - The Global Risks Report 2023
C <sup>D</sup>	World Economic Forum (July 2021) - The Resiliency Compass: Navigating Global Value Chain Disruption in an Age of Uncertainty
CP	Alan Iny & Luc Brabandere (BCG) - The Future Is Scary. Thinking Creatively Can Help
	Video: Jennifer Garvey-Berger - Not Wired for Complexity
	Video: Jennifer Garvey Berger - Complexity: Meet the Mindtraps
Slides	
Ø	MGMT5150_01 Leadership Challenges_inclass F23 hdout.pdf
Ø	MGMT5150 Grand Challenge Team Project_ Guidelines for Week 1 F23.docx

# Class 2 - The Art of Reframing I: Are you Solving the Right Problem?

	LINE (Zoom) plus 2 asynchronous onlines module to be completed BEFORE class $\diamondsuit$
often	oblems really worth solving - the ones with which we can make a positive leadership difference - are complex and without obvious solutions. Instead they require us to consider different ways of seeing oblem. In this class, we will explore the nature of complexity and develop framing and reframing ques that can be used to broaden one's perspective (or mindset) to see new opportunities.
Manda	atory Pre-Work (to be completed before class)
Ð	Online Module: Simple - Complicated - Complex
CF2	Online Module: The Art of Reframing: Are you Solving the Right Problem?
æ	Ancona, D., Malone, T.W., Orlikowski, W.J. & Senge P.M (2007). "In Praise of the Incomplete Leader",

C.	Harvard Business Review. 85 (2: Februarv). 92-100. Wendell-Wendellborg, T. (2017). "Are You Solving The Right Problems?", Harvard Business Review, 95 (1; January/February), 76-83.
Option	al Reading/Viewing (not mandatory, but relevant and hopefully interesting)
	HBR IdeaCast: "The Secret to Better Problem-Solving" with Thomas Wendell-Wendellborg
d <sup>D</sup>	Homer-Dixon, T. (2011). "Complexity Science", Oxford Leadership Journal, 2(1), 1-15.
- III-	Map of the Complexity Sciences (2021)
C.D	Hagel, J. III (2021). "Good Leadership Is About Asking Good Questions." Harvard Business Review Blog, January 8, 2021.
	Video: Introduction to the Cynefin Framework
	Video: Alan Iny - Reigniting Creativity in Business (TED@BCG)
C <sup>D</sup>	IBM (2010). Capitalizing on Complexity: Insights from the Global Chief Executive Officer Study
Ċ	World Economic Forum (2013). Perspectives on a Hyperconnected World: Insights from the Science of Complexity
C <sup>D</sup>	BCG Henderson Institute - Explore the cutting edge research and thought leadership on complexity and leadership by the Boston Consulting Group.
Ê	Deloitte Center for the Edge - Explore how Deloitte is addressing complexity and its implication for leadership and business through research and consulting.
Slides	
Ø	MGMT5150_02 Reframing_1-Right Problem F23 inclassSW hdout.pdf
Ø	MGMT5150 - Grand Challenge Team Project_Guidelines for Week 2 F23.docx
Deliver	ables
P	Team Contract
Ð	Personal Case - Description

### Class 3 - The Art of Reframing II: Creating New Ways Forward

 $\diamond$  IN-PERSON plus 1 asynchronous online module to be completed BEFORE class  $\diamond$ 

We will continue our exploration of complex problem solving by introducing new reframing techniques with a specific emphasis on inquiry and asking provocative questions. Through a case study, we'll examine how the questions we ask shape the answers we find. Appreciative inquiry and creative metaphors will be introduced as techniques that can help us develop insights otherwise hidden from us. Finally, we will

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Manda	tory Pre-Work (to be completed before class)
C	Online Module: The Art of Reframing: Creating New Ways Forward
Ð	Sawhney, M. & Khosla, S. (2014). "Managing Yourself: Where to Look for Insight", Harvard Business Review, 92(11), 126-129.
e <sup>p</sup>	Martin, R.L. & Golsby-Smith, T. (2017). "Management Is Much More Than A Science", Harvard Business Review, 95(5), 128-135.
Option	al Reading/Viewing (not mandatory, but relevant and hopefully interesting)
	Video: Beau Lotto - Changing the Space of Possibility
Ĩ.	Red Teaming - How the U.S. Army Embraces and Teaches Reframing
CD	Reeves, M., Goodson, B., & Whitaker, K. (2021). "The Power of Anomaly", Harvard Business Review, 99(4), 94-101.
e <sup>p</sup>	Reeves, M., Levin, S., & Ueda, D. (BCG Henderson Institute; July 18, 2017). Think Biologically: Messy Management for a Complex World
e <sup>p</sup>	Reeves, M. & Harnoss, J. (BCG Henderson Institute; June 6, 2017). The Business of Business Is No Longer Just Business
CP	Tsusaka, M., Reeves, M., Hurder, S. & Harnoss, J. (BCG Henderson Institute; July 20, 2017). Diversity at Work
Slides	
Ø	MGMT5150_03 Reframing_2-New Ways Forward inclass F23 hdout.pdf
Ø	MGMT5150 Grand Challenge Team Project_ Guidelines for Week 3 F23.docx

## Class 4 - Convergent Thinking: Probing the Possible

1	♦ ONLINE (Zoom) ♦
I	In the previous classes, we engaged in divergent thinking and challenged taken-for-granted assumptions
k	by intentionally increasing the levels of uncertainty and disagreement. The aim was to develop new
i	insights that help us better understand problems and more effectively create innovative solutions.
ι	Uncertainty and disagreement, however, make it very difficult to commit to action. Hence, we will now
t	turn to convergent thinking in an attempt to create greater certainty in an inherently uncertain world.
١	While divergent thinking is required to generate hypotheses ("What if?"), convergent thinking utilizes the
5	scientific method, which relies on the systematic and rigorous analysis of data to test the hypotheses ("If,
t	then").

Mandatory Pre-Work (to be completed before class)

Å A	rgyris, C. (1991). "Teaching Smart People How to Learn", Harvard Business Review, 69(3), 99-109.
n de la companya de	iedtka, J.M. (2006). "Using Hypothesis-Driven Thinking in Strategy Consulting", Darden Business ublishing Teaching Note BP-0486
Consulting above (aft reading. T	c copies of the second reading for this week - "Using Hypothesis-Driven Thinking in Strategy g" by Jeanne Liedtka - can be purchased directly from Ivey Publishing for C\$4.50 using the link ter creating an account). Due to copyright restrictions, we're unable to provide a copy of this his technical note is not only a core reading for this course, but also an invaluable resource for egic Field Study (the '601').
= Optional F	Reading (not mandatory, but relevant and hopefully interesting)
B S	ecret Ingredient for Success: Double-Loop Learning
Slides	
	1GMT5150_04 Convergent Thinking inclass F23 hdout.pdf
	te that the slide deck contains slides not covered in class. Among them is an example of the In of an issue tree, an analytic technique developed and widely used by McKinsey & Company.
Ø MGM	1T5150 - Grand Challenge Team Project_Guidelines for Week 4 F23.docx

## Class 5 - Why Leaders Need History: Patterns, Paths, and Narratives (Guest Instructor: Prof. Matthias Kipping)

	derstanding of history is not typically thought of as a key leadership skill. In this class, Prof. Matthias
	g will argue that it is. We will examine what history can teach us about patterns, paths, and
	ves, what they can tell us about human nature, and how a better understanding of history can
enhan	ce our leadership effectiveness.
Manda	tory Pre-Work (to be completed before class)
	PATTERNS: Tulipmania (selection of videos)
P	PATHS: The lost history of the electric car – and what it tells us about the future of transport by
0	Tom Standage (The Guardian, August 3, 2021)
P	NARRATIVES: Robert Fortune: The Man Who Stole Tea From China by Y.M Saegusa (August 1, 2021)
<b>.</b>	
Optior	al Reading (not mandatory, but relevant and hopefully interesting)
~	Book Review: Boom and Bust: A Global History of Financial Bubbles by William Quinn and John D.
0D	Turner by Hans G. Despain (LSE Review of Books blog, January 26, 2021)
0	A Brief History of Financial Bubbles by Deborah Petersen (Insights by Stanford Business,
P	November 24, 2014)



#### Class 6 - Team Consultations

ONLINE (Zoom)
 This week is reserved for a 30-minute check in with each team. Your instructor will share further detail and make times available for which the teams can sign up.
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#### READING WEEK (October 24-27) - NO CLASS

#### Class 7 - From Ideas to Action: Creating Buy-In

The ph week \	two-thirds of all major change initiatives fail, often because of the resistance of various stakeholders brase "this is not the way we do things around here" can stop any change effort in its tracks. This we will examine ways to create buy-in through identifying and managing paradoxes and developing elling stories that turn potential opposition into allies.
Manda	atory Pre-Work (to be completed before class)
0 <sup>20</sup>	Online Module: Paradoxical Thinking and Leadership
0 <sup>20</sup>	Sull, D. N. (1999). "Why Good Companies Go Bad". Harvard Business Review, 77(4), 42-50.
CP	Smith, W.K., Lewis, M.W. & Tushman, M.L. (2016). "'Both/And' Leadership". Harvard Business Review, 94(5), 62-70.
P	Ashford, S.J. & Detert, J. (2015). "Get the Boss to Buy In". Harvard Business Review, 93(1/2), 72-79.

	Ġ	Lewis, M.W. & Smith, W.K., (August 9, 2022). "Solving Tough Problems Requires a Mindset Shift". (HBR Blog)		
	Ċ	Birchard, B. (2021). "The Science of Strong Business Writing". Harvard Business Review, 99(4), 139-143.		
	Ċ	, Martinez, J. (2021). "In Entrepreneurial Pitches, Stage Presence Is Everything." Harvard Business Review, 99(5), 34-35.		
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(	MGMT5150_07 Ideas to Action F23 inclass slide.pdf			

# Class 8 - Creating and Leading Diverse and Inclusive Workplaces (Guest Instructor: Prof. Winny Shen)

Emplo	yees, customers, stockholders, governments, and the public are all increasingly applying pressure or
organi	zations to enhance their diversity and inclusion efforts. Yet, how to do so in a way that will lead to
genuir	ne and meaningful change rather than simply being performative or othering is often ambiguous
and co	mplicated. In this class, we will seek to examine some of our own biases and assumptions, as well as
discus	s how to develop as leaders of diverse teams and organizations.
Manda	atory Pre-Work (to be completed before class)
CP)	Caver, K. A. & Livers, A. B. (2002). "Dear White Boss" Harvard Business Review, 80(11), 76-81.
CP	Caver, K. A. & Livers, A. B. (2020). "What Has - and Hasn't - Changed Since "Dear White Boss""
$\sim$	Harvard Business Review Blog, September 15, 2020.
~	Johnson, S. K. & Hekman, D. R. (2016). "Women and Minorities Are Penalized for Promoting
P	Diversity." Harvard Business Review Blog, March 23, 2016.
) etian	al Decouvers (not more date without relay ont and han of the interaction)
Jptior	al Resources (not mandatory, but relevant and hopefully interesting)
œ	"Google's plan to talk about caste bias led to 'division and rancor'." by Nitasha Tiku. Washington
Ø	Post, 2 June 2022, p. NA
	Taylor Kennedy, J. & Jain-Link, P. (2021). "What Does It Take to Build a Culture of Belonging?"
æ	Harvard Business Review Blog, June 21, 2021.
d d	Thoroughgood, C. N., Sawyer, K. B., & Webster, J. R. (2020). "Creating a trans-Inclusive Workplace."
0	Harvard Business Review, 98(2), 114-123.
^	Chow, D. & Lees, J. (2021). "3 Strategies to Address Political Polarization in the Workplace". Harvard
de la	Business Review Blog, July 29, 2021.
	Free Online Course: Indigenous Canada (Offered by the University of Alberta)



### Class 9 - Ethics in Organizations (Guest Instructor: Prof. Robert Phillips)

willfull partice and or didn't	pervades business. To say that business has no ethics (e.g., "Business ethics is an oxymoron.") is to be by blind to a vital element of managerial success. Ignorance in general, and of social expectations in ular, is a competitive disadvantage. With this said, there are elements of one's moral life in business organizations that are distinctive to that realm ("I learned my ethics at my mother's knee, but she know much about monopoly pricing."). This class will introduce the relevance of ethics to life in the kt of value creation and trade.							
Manda	atory Pre-Work (to be completed before class)							
by Del links b these	ctronic copy of the reading for this week - "Hitting the Wall: Nike and International Labor Practices" pora Spar and Jennifer Burns - can be purchased directly from Ivey Publishing for C\$5.40 using the pelow (after creating an account). Due to copyright restrictions, we're unable to provide copies of readings. Much of the class is structured around the case. Hence, it is absolutely necessary to have Ily read the case before class.							
CP	Spar, D.L. and Burns, J. (2000). "Hitting the Wall: Nike and International Labor Practices", Harvard Business School Case 700-047							

subcontractor's business practices? Why and to what extent? How can or should Nike's expectations be monitored and enforced? Deliverables
Class 9 Homework: Key takeaways
Feedback for Prof. Phillips

#### Class 10 - Power and Influence: How Will YOU Make a Positive Difference?

What i	s the relationship between leadership and power? Can one lead without power? And more								
fundamentally, what is power and how is it developed? This week, we will take a look at the role of									
in leadership, with a special emphasis on how we can make a positive difference even without									
0	. Among other activities, we will engage in an interactive exercise to develop a deeper appreciation Iderstanding of power and influence.								
Manda	tory Pre-Work (to be completed before class)								
Battilana, J. & Casciaro, T. (2021). "Don't Let Power Corrupt You." Harvard Business Review, 9 94-101.									
Option	al Resources (not mandatory, but relevant and hopefully interesting)								
Ċ <sup>Ĺ</sup>	Video: The Science of Persuasion								
Slides									
Ø	MGMT5150_10 Power and Influence F23 inclass hdout.pdf								

# Class 11 - Leadership, Strategic Thinking & Value Creation (Guest Instructor: Prof. Theo Peridis)

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Deliverables							
Ð	Class 11 Homework: Key Takeaways						
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#### Class 12 - Making a Difference: As a Future Leader, I Will Need to....

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importa gained differen the neo Progran life-long	It are your takeaways from this course? What have you learned? Which skills have you identified as ant for your future career development? Where will you go from here? We hope that you have the sense that you will be a leader (on one scale or another) and that you are capable of making a nee (in your own life/career; in the lives of others; in your organizations; in the world). Developing ressary skills will require work. By completing this course (and your first semester in the MBA m), you have taken one step toward your future. Now what? How are you going to continue your g learning journey? The last class of this course provides us with an opportunity to look back on the elve weeks and - more importantly - look forward to the opportunities and challenges that lie
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Ø	MGMT5150 class photo F23 gag.jpg
Deliver	ables - End of the Semester Assignments
P	Personal Case - Making a Leadership Difference
Fø	Reflection: As a Future Leader. I Will Need to

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#### Schulich School of Business Memorandum

To: Faculty Council, Schulich School of Business
From: Mike Valente, MBA Program Director
Date: January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024
Re: Minor MBA Program Changes

Motion 1: That faculty council approve the replacement of MGMT 5150 – Skills for Leadership with MGMT 6150 – Skills for Leadership in the MBA curriculum

Motion 2: That faculty council approve the change in the number of compulsory course credits from 6 to 9 and elective course credits from 24 to 21 in the accelerated MBA program.

Motion 3: That faculty council approve the addition of MGMT 6150 (pending approval of Motion 1 above) as a compulsory course for Accelerated MBA students.

Rationale:

The MBA program at the Schulich School of Business offers a full time and part time option where students complete 60 credits to complete their degree (herein termed regular MBA). Schulich also has an "accelerated" and "advanced standing" (herein termed accelerated MBA) option where MBA students who, based on their past educational background, are eligible to complete their degree in as little as 30 credits. For the regular MBA, students must complete 33 credits of compulsory courses and 27 credits of elective courses. For the accelerated MBA, students must complete 6 credits of compulsory courses and 24 credits of elective courses.

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There are several reasons for this proposal, which I divide into pedagogical and administrative.

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1. *MGMT 6150 (pending change to MGMT 5150) is a Key Point of Distinction in the MBA Program:* Skills for Leadership is a unique course to Schulich that represents a distinctive value add that students would not receive elsewhere. Currently, accelerated students are exempt from taking this course. Yet, the spirit of an accelerated program is to remove duplication in coursework that students would have taken in their previous degree. There is little to no evidence that our accelerated students have taken a

course equivalent to MGMT 6150. We therefore feel that it is necessary that students across all our MBA program options experience the uniqueness of 6150.

- 2. MGMT 6150 is Part of the MBA Backbone: The MBA is a general management degree. While students become proficient in the basic functions of business (e.g. accounting, finance, etc), the common thread that defines an MBA is its focus on complexity, leadership and decision-making at the enterprise level. For the regular MBA student, they start this "backbone" with MGMT 6150, continue it with SMGT 6000 (Strategic Management) in year 2 and end the program with the capstone Strategy Field Study. Accelerated students currently miss taking the front end of this backbone and thus do not learn critical MBA skills such as leadership, teamwork, critical thinking, and professionalism that are then used in SGMT 6000 and the Strategy Field Study.
- 3. *MBA Orientation and Launch:* Accelerated students tend not to participate in the MBA launch week. With our numbers of accelerated students increasing (currently it represents 20% of our cohort, soon to reach 30%), their absence in the launch is concerning yet understandable because they do not feel like they are a regular MBA student. MGMT 6150 will soon be integrated with the launch such that the team-based work that takes place in the launch carries over into MGMT 6150. Because students will be at a disadvantage in 6150 if they do not participate in the launch, we should see a dramatic increase in the participation of students in the launch, particularly of those in the accelerated program.
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Administrative Reasons to Change MGMT 5150 to MGMT 6150

Currently, MGMT 5150 is a prerequisite course for many MBA electives and for strategic management (SGMT 6000). This will represent a problem if MGMT 5150 becomes a compulsory course for accelerated students because, unlike their regular MBA student counterparts, accelerated students take up to 3 electives and SGMT 6000 in their first term. As a result, it is necessary to change the rubric of MGMT 5150 to MGMT 6150 to ensure that accelerated students are not prohibited from taking these courses in their first term.

Another option considered was to keep MGMT 5150 the way it is and then insert conditions on the prerequisites of SGMT 6000 and MBA electives that exempts accelerated students. However, this places an unnecessary burden on our internal staff, which becomes increasingly problematic as the proportion of the MBA cohort that are accelerated students increases in coming years. In other words, we feel that it was ill-advised to use exemptions to accommodate students who make up a significant part of our program.

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prerequisite for these courses. While possible, we feel that this is a very unlikely scenario and one that could be managed through appropriate communication in the MBA handbook. Also, because the MBA Launch is expected to be inextricably tied to MGMT 6150, MBA students will enter the program expecting to continue in MGMT 6150 what they started in the launch.



# Requirements Proposal Form Schulich School of Business

- 1. Program/ Diploma/Certificate: Schulich MBA Program
- 2. Effective Term/Calendar Year of Proposed Change(s): Fall 2024
- 3. Proposed Change(s) and Rationale:

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b. An outline of the changes to requirements and the associated learning outcomes/objectives, including how the proposed requirements will support the achievement of program/ diploma/certificate learning objectives.

Currently, accelerated students in the MBA program are exempt from most core courses of the MBA Program. Instead of the full 60 credits required to obtain an MBA, they are required to complete 30 credits. At the moment, accelerated students take 6 compulsory credits and 24 elective credits – assuming that there is no deficiency in a student's academic background in other core course functions. This motion would amend this such that accelerated students would take 9 compulsory credits and 21 elective credits.

This proposal is not intended to change learning outcomes. In fact, the addition of this compulsory course will give us greater confidence that accelerated and advanced standing students achieve learning outcomes. Perhaps more important, the business school's anticipated changes to program learning outcomes further justifies this proposal. Specifically, MGMT 6150 contributes directly to 3 of the 5 anticipated learning outcomes – Professional Development Skills, Business and Sustainability, and Critical Thinking Skills. Thus, making this course compulsory will dramatically support the achievement of existing and future learning outcomes.

c. An overview of the consultation undertaken with relevant academic units and an assessment of the impact of the modifications on other programs/ diplomas/certificates.

Consultation took place across a wide range of Schulich stakeholders. Faculty, staff, and students have all demonstrated support for this proposal. The following stakeholders have associated themselves with the following statement:

*"I am in full support of the motion to add MGMT 6150 (pending a change in rubric to MGMT 5150) – Skills for Leadership – as a compulsory course for accelerated and advanced standing MBA students. This minor program change will ensure that* 

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Kiridaran Kanagaretnam: Associate Dean of Student Services: Lindsay Hillcoat: Executive Director of Student Services and International Relation Kevin Tasa: Associate Dean Academic Ashwin Joshi: Associate Dean Programs Luba Pan: Director, Student and Enrollment Services Ingo Holzinger: MGMT 6150 Course Director Wissam Al-Hussaini: Adjunct Professor and Course Instructor

The following statement of support is from both an alumnus of the Accelerated MBA and the current Executive Director of the Centre for Career Development at Schulich School of Business

As an alumna of the Accelerated MBA program, I am in full support of the motion to add MGMT 6150 (pending a change in rubric to MGMT 5150) – Skills for Leadership – as a compulsory course for accelerated and advanced standing MBA students. This minor program change will ensure that accelerated and advanced standing students learn the critical management skills to excel in our MBA program and to succeed in today's business environment (Hollis Sinker)

The following statement of support is from the Graduate Business Council President, Niyati Rajkumar Choudhary:

I strongly support adding the skills for leadership as a mandatory course for accelerated students and students with advanced standing. The Skills for leadership course introduced multiple problem-solving frameworks that gave context to the highly nuanced business situations that we face in today's day and age. It is a transformational experience and an integral part of the first year of the MBA program. It also provides the perfect opportunity to apply classroom concepts to real world situations and elevates the experiential learning aspect of the Schulich MBA. Some of the concepts taught in class laid the very foundation for problem solving, deck building, storyboarding, and teamwork.

Finally, the following is a list of full-time faculty members who support these motions:

- Rob Phillips Luke Zhu David Johnston Brent Lyons Geoff Kistruck David Johnston Luke Zhu
- Rob Philips Shanker Trivedi Maxim Voronov Dirk Matten Markus Biehl Ivona Hideg Ela Veresiu



d. A summary of any resource implications and how they are being addressed.

Because we are requiring accelerated and advanced standing students to take MGMT 6150, additional resources in the form of one additional section of this course will be required. That said, these additional resources will be offset by a reduction in the number of electives these students will be taking given that their elective load is reduced from 24 to 21 credits. As the proportion of accelerated and advanced students in the MBA cohort grows, there will be no additional resource requirement because the overall number of MBA students will not change.

e. A summary of how students currently enrolled in the program/ diploma/certificate will be accommodated.

Accelerated and Advanced Standing students currently in the program will remain exempt from taking MGMT 6150 to graduate. Only those accelerated and advanced standing students beginning the program in the fall of 2024 will be required to take this course as part of their degree.

5. Calendar Copy:

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Regular MBA Current Curriculum	MBA Current Curriculum Credits Regular MBA Proposed Curriculum		Credits
Term I		Term I	
MGMT 5150 SKILLS FOR LEADERSHIP	3.00	MGMT 5150 SKILLS FOR LEADERSHIP	<del>3.00</del>
ACTG 5100 FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING FOR MANAGERS	3.00	MGMT 6150 SKILLS FOR LEADERSHIP	<mark>3.00</mark>
ECON 5100 THE ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT OF BUSINESS	3.00	ACTG 5100 FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING FOR MANAGERS	3.00
ORGS 5100 ORGANIZATIONAL BEHAVIOUR	3.00	ECON 5100 THE ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT OF BUSINESS	3.00
OMIS 5110 INFORMATION SYSTEMS	1.5	ORGS 5100 ORGANIZATIONAL BEHAVIOUR	3.00
OMIS 5120 QUANTITATIVE METHODS	1.5	OMIS 5110 INFORMATION SYSTEMS	1.5
		OMIS 5120 QUANTITATIVE METHODS	1.5
Term II		Term II	
MGMT 5260 MANAGING FOR VALUE CREATION	3.00	SUST 5200 BUSINESS AND SUSTAINABILITY	3.00
FINE 5200 MANAGERIAL FINANCE	3.00	FINE 5200 MANAGERIAL FINANCE	3.00
MKTG 5200 MARKETING MANAGEMENT	3.00	MKTG 5200 MARKETING MANAGEMENT	3.00
ACTG 5210 MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTING	1.5	ACTG 5210 MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTING	1.5
OMIS 5210 OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT	1.5	OMIS 5210 OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT	1.5
ELECTIVE/S AND SPECIALIZATIONS	3.00	ELECTIVE/S AND SPECIALIZATIONS	3.00
Term III and IV		Term III and IV	
SGMT 6000 STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT	3.00	SGMT 6000 STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT	3.00
MGMT 6090 STRATEGY FIELD STUDY FORMATION		MGMT 6090 STRATEGY FIELD STUDY FORMATION	
MGMT 6100 STRATEGY FIELD STUDY (TWO TERMS)	3.00	MGMT 6100 STRATEGY FIELD STUDY (TWO TERMS)	3.00
ELECTIVES AND SPECIALIZATIONS	24.00	ELECTIVES AND SPECIALIZATIONS	24.00

\*Electives must not duplicate previous business courses taken. \*\* Students must enrol in MGMT 6090 0.00 in the first term of their Strategy Field Study. \*\*\* The Strategy Field Study spans two consecutive terms. Students may enroll in MGMT 6100 3.00 in either the first or second term of their Strategy Field Study.

Legend Strike through: Old Course Rubric Yellow highlight: Proposed Course Rubric

Accelerated MBA Current Curriculum	Credits	Accelerated MBA Proposed Curriculum	Credits
Program length: 8-20 months Location: MBA 1 and MBA 2 courses at Keele Campus Admission: September or January		Program length: 8-20 months Location: MBA 1 and MBA 2 courses at Keele Campus Admission: September or January	
Overall grade point average (GPA) of at least 4.40 (B-). Successful completion of 30.00 credits of courses consisting of: 6.00 credits of core courses (SGMT 6000 3.00, MGMT 6090 0.00 and MGMT 6100 3.00) 24.00 credits of electives		Overall grade point average (GPA) of at least 4.40 (B-). Successful completion of 30.00 credits of courses consisting of: <u>6.00</u> 9.00 credits of core courses (MGMT 6150 3.00 SGMT 6000 3.00, MGMT 6090 0.00 and MGMT 6100 3.00) <u>24.00</u> 21.00 credits of electives	
Term I SGMT 6000 STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT MGMT 6090 STRATEGY FIELD STUDY FORMATION ELECTIVES AND SPECIALIZATIONS	3.00 0.00 12.00	Term I MGMT 6150 SKILLS FOR LEADERSHIP SGMT 6000 STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT MGMT 6090 STRATEGY FIELD STUDY FORMATION ELECTIVES AND SPECIALIZATIONS	3.00 3.00 0.00 <del>12.00</del> 9.00
Term II MGMT 6100 STRATEGY FIELD STUDY (TWO TERMS) ELECTIVES AND SPECIALIZATIONS	3.00 12.00	Term II MGMT 6100 STRATEGY FIELD STUDY (TWO TERMS) ELECTIVES AND SPECIALIZATIONS	3.00 12.00
*Electives must not duplicate previous business courses taken. N 6150 counts as 3.00 elective credits. ** Students must enrol in MGMT 6090 0.00 in the first term of t Strategy Field Study. *** The Strategy Field Study spans two consecutive terms. Stude enrol in MGMT 6100 3.00 in either the first or second term of their Strategy Field Study.	heir	*Electives must not duplicate previous business courses tak MGMT 6150 counts as 3.00 elective credits. ** Students must enrol in MGMT 6090 0.00 in the first tern Strategy Field Study. *** The Strategy Field Study spans two consecutive terms. may enrol in MGMT 6100 3.00 in either the first or second term of their Strategy Field Study.	n of their <del>Students</del>

Legend

Strike through: Old core/elective course ratio; non-applicable information Yellow highlight: New core/elective course ratio; new core course

# **APPENDIX 6.3 MBA Expected Learning Outcomes**

# EXPECTED LEARNING MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

LEARNING OUTCOMES	The MBA is awarded to students who have demonstrated:	<u>MGMT 5150</u> MGMT 6150	52	MGMT 6100	ACTG 5100	ACTG 5210	ECON 5100	FINE 5200	MKTG 5200	OMIS 5110	OMIS 5120	OMIS 5210	ORGS 5100	SGMT 6000	ELECTIVES
1. Depth and	a. A capacity for creative, inspiring, empathetic leadership.	✓	✓	$\checkmark$									✓	✓	✓
Breadth of Knowledge	b. An understanding of the global nature of business.	✓	~	~	✓		✓	~	~			✓	√	✓	✓
Knowledge	c. An ability to innovate, and to foster innovation in an organization	✓	~	~					~	√		✓	√	✓	✓
	d. A recognition of and appreciation for diversity in all aspects of management.	✓	~	~	✓	√	✓	✓	~	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	e. A understanding and appreciation of the roles of business, not- for- profits, and government in society.	~	~	~	✓		~	~					~	~	✓
	f. A general understanding of the international economic and business environment.	✓	~	~	✓		~	✓						✓	
	g. A general knowledge of the functional areas of management, including the ability														
	Accounting i. Understand and interpret financial statements. ii. Use management accounting techniques to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of an organization. iii. Work effectively with the services of accounting professionals.			✓ ✓ ✓	× ×	✓ ✓									
	<ul> <li>Organizational Behaviour</li> <li>iv. Approach problems from a systems perspective, with an appreciation of context and the role of the external environment of organizations.</li> <li>v. Appreciate the totality of an organization, and develop its capacities toaccomplish strategic goals.</li> <li>vi. Employ confidently a range of personal and interpersonal skills, such as</li> </ul>	* * *	✓ ✓ ✓	* * *	* *								<ul><li>↓</li><li>↓</li></ul>	✓ ✓	
	leadership, negotiations, working in teams, motivating others, and managing change.	v	Ň	v	Ŷ								v		

LEARNING OUTCOMES	The MBA is awarded to students who have demonstrated:	MGMT 5150	MGMT 5260	MGMT 6100	ACTG 5100	ACTG 5210	ECON 5100	FINE 5200	MKTG 5200	OMIS 5110	OMIS 5120	OMIS 5210	<b>ORGS 5100</b>	SGMT 6000	ELECTIVES
	Strategy														
	vii. Understand and assess the factors that determine an		$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$								ľ	/	
	organization'sperformance. viii. Think strategically in a variety of contexts, taking into account risk,		1											,	
	uncertainty, ambiguity, and paradox.	$\checkmark$	v	v	Ý								ľ	1	
	ix. Take multiple stakeholders into account in decision making, including the	$\checkmark$	~	~	~									/	
	public, shareholders, customers, employees and suppliers.	ľ	ľ	ľ	ľ									,	
	x. Evaluate an organization's context and perform a competitor analysis.			$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$									/	
	xi. Understand the drivers of differentiation.		$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	✓									/	
	Marketing														
	xii. Understand market segmentation, buyer behavior, targeting, positioning,			$\checkmark$	~				~						
	product/service development, pricing, distribution and communication.														
	xiii. Write and implement an actionable marketing plan.			$\checkmark$	✓				✓						
	xiv. Conduct basic market research and interpret the data.			$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$				$\checkmark$						
	Finance														
	xv. Manage the finances of an organization using basic risk management			$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$			✓							
	concepts, tools and techniques.														
	xvi. Understand and apply basic financial management theory, especially pertaining to			$\checkmark$	✓			✓							
	how decisions are made under uncertainty.														
	xvii. Understand the time value of money and its application to financial instruments.			<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>			✓							
	xviii. Understand the language and workings of financial markets, and the			~	~			✓							
	implications of these markets for the financial management of organizations.			1	/			_							
	xix. Understand the relationship between expected risk and return and employ it to			v	Ý			~							
	determine the cost of capital for new projects and assess their feasibility.														
	Operations and Information Systems														
	xx. Identify processes along external and internal supply chains, for both			~							$\checkmark$	<u>`</u>			
	products and services.			ľ							•	•			
	xxi. Identify the determinants of operational systems, including inputs, outputs			$\checkmark$								✓			
	and transformation steps.														
	xxii. Assess and improve the effectiveness and efficiency of processes at the			$\checkmark$								✓			
	operational, tactical and strategic levels.														
	xxiii. Understand the strategic and managerial issues raised by the design,			$\checkmark$						✓					
	implementation and use of information systems within and between														
	organizations.														
	xxiv. Employ information system tools for organizational management.			$\checkmark$						✓					

LEARNING OUTCOMES	The MBA is awarded to students who have demonstrated:	<u>MGMT 5150</u> MGMT 6150		MGMT 6100	ACTG 5100	ACTG 5210	ECON 5100	FINE 5200	MKTG 5200	OMIS 5110	OMIS 5120	OMIS 5210	ORGS 5100	SGMT 6000	ELECTIVES
	Economics xxv. Understand basic microeconomics and its role in management decision making with a focus on real world applications xxvi. Understand basic macroeconomic factors affecting the operating environment of firms and organizations in a domestic and international context. xxvii. Understand underlying economic incentives of organizations and their implications for managers and stakeholders xxviii. Understand potential problems associated with different market structures, therole of the government, and their implications for managers and organizations xxix. Apply economic concepts and frameworks to analyze business models and			~ ~ ~ ~			✓ ✓ ✓ ✓								
	<ul><li>develop strategies for the deployment of organizational resources.</li><li>h. Advanced knowledge of tools, methods and practice in one or more fields of management (functional, industry-specific, or cross-disciplinary).</li></ul>														~
	i. A clear understanding of ethics as it pertains to the role of business in society and the decisions organizational managers must make.	~	~	~	✓			~	~				~	>	✓
	j. A clear understanding of the relationship between business and the physical environment, and the role of sustainability in business practices.	✓	~	~	~							*			
	k. An integrated understanding of how the various fields of management intersect.	✓	✓	✓										✓	$\checkmark$
	1. The ability to adapt in the face of constant change in the organizational context, and the ability to plan for and cope with sudden, unpredictable change.	~	~	~									√	✓	~
	m. The ability to work effectively with people from unfamiliar cultures.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	n. Respect for and inclusion of all people, regardless of race, creed, gender, orsexual orientation.	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~
2. Knowledge of Methodologies	a. An understanding of theories and methods of analysis that are appropriate for evaluating management problems and emerging issues in the student's area(s) of professional competence.	~		~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~
	b. Basic competence with both quantitative and qualitative methods of data- gatheringand analysis appropriate to organizational decision making.	~		~	~	~	~	~	~		~				
	c. The ability to recognize situations in which standard methods of analysis arenot appropriate and to devise appropriate innovative approaches.	~	~	~									~		✓
	d. The ability to work effectively in groups and teams, both within and across	$\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	✓	$\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	$\checkmark$

LEARNING OUTCOME S	The MBA is awarded to students who have demonstrated:	<u>MGMT 5150</u> MGMT 6150	MGMT 5260	MGMT 6100	ACTG 5100	ACTG 5210	ECON 5100	FINE 5200	MKTG 5200	OMIS 5110	OMIS 5120	OMIS 5210	ORGS 5100	0009 TM9S	
3. Level of Application of	a. A practical understanding of how to manage organizational resources effectively and efficiently.	~		~								~	~	~	~
Knowledge	b. An ability to gather, review, evaluate, and interpret informationpertaining to management or organizational environment issues.	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	>	~	>	~
	c. The ability to apply appropriate analytical skills to numerical data and tounderstand and interpret the results of the analysis.			~	~						~				~
	d. The ability to evaluate quantitative information within the context of non-quantitative environmental factors and constraints.			~	~	~	~	~	~		~	>			V
	e. An ability to differentiate between relevant and irrelevant information in management decision making.	~		~	~	~	~		~		~	~	~		V
	f. An ability to apply critical thinking and analytical skills to complex problems and issues, including those within a specific discipline and those thatcross discipline boundaries.	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	✓	~	✓	~
	g. An ability to reach implementable conclusions and recommendations that satisfy the needs of the direct and indirect stakeholders, including the broader ethical, economic and social environment of both the local and the international communities.	~	~	~									~	~	v
4. Awareness	a. An understanding of the limitations of one's own knowledge and abilities.	✓	✓	√	√	✓	√	$\checkmark$	✓	✓	√	√	√	√	~
ofLimits of Knowledge	b. Personal self awareness, the ability to be reflective, the capacity to challenge personal mental models, and an understanding of the impact of one's own actions on	V	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	√	~
	c. An appreciation of risk, uncertainty, and ambiguity, and how these might influence analyses, conclusions, recommendations and interpretations.	√	~	~			~	~			~		~		~
	d. An attitude of experimentation and organic learning.	$\checkmark$		✓					✓				✓		~
5. Level of Communication	a. The ability to convey thoughts, ideas, and plans within a working group, team, or negotiation session.	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	V
Skills	b. An ability to listen to the thoughts, ideas, and plans offered by others in aworking group or in a negotiation session with others.	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~
	c. The ability to communicate information, analyses, and recommendations to a range of audiences, both within the organization and to outside stakeholders, including governmental bodies, both orally and in writing.	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	v

LEARNING OUTCOME S	The MBA is awarded to students who have demonstrated:	<u>MGMT 5150</u> MGMT 6150	MGMT 5260	<b>MGMT 6100</b>	ACTG 5100	ACTG 5210		FINE 5200		OMIS 5110	OMIS 5120	OMIS 5210	ORGS 5100	SGMT 6000	ELECTIVES
6. Autonomy andProfessional	a. The ability to function professionally in employment, and in external roles such as community involvement.	~	~	~	✓	~	~	~	~	√	✓	✓	✓ ·	~	~
Capacity	b. The ability to transfer skills to new situations and environments.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	$\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	<b>√</b>	✓	✓
	c. Recognition of the importance of continuing professional development, both within the organization and through independent professional development programs.	~	~	~	✓	~	~	~	~	~	✓	~	✓ ·	✓	~
	d. The habits and capacities of a self-directed learner, including the ability to manageone's own learning in changing circumstances and to select or arrange an appropriate program for further study.	~	~	~	~	✓	~	~	~	~	>	✓	✓ .	~	✓
	e. Self-awareness of career interests, strengths and motivators.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	$\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	<b>√</b>	✓	✓
	f. An understanding of career development and relationship building principles.	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	✓	✓	$\checkmark$	~	~	✓	✓	✓	✓ ·	~	✓
	g. The ability to articulate a career vision and execute career progression.	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	✓ .	✓	✓
	h. An understanding of the constant obligation to act in a socially and ethically responsible manner.	~	~	✓	✓	~	~	√	~	~	✓	✓	<b>√</b>	~	~

#### Schulich School of Business Memorandum

To: Faculty Council, Schulich School of Business
From: Mike Valente, MBA Program Director
Date: January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024
Re: Change in Prerequisites of ORGS 6500, ORGS 6720 and MGMT 6300

Motion: That faculty council approve the replacement of MGMT 5150 (Skills for Leadership) with MGMT 6150 (Skills for Leadership) in the list of prerequisites for ORGS 6500 (Interpersonal Managerial Skills), ORGS 6720 (Managing Team Dynamics) and MGMT 6300 (Case Analysis and Presentation Skills).

#### Rationale:

As a result of the change in rubric of MGMT 5150 to MGMT 6150 (Skills for Leadership), this motion replaces MGMT 5150 with MGMT 6150 as a prerequisite in these courses .



# Course Change Proposal Form Schulich School of Business

The following information is required for all course change proposals. To facilitate the review/approval process, please use the headings below (and omit the italicized explanations below each heading). Provide evidence of consultation, where appropriate.

- 1. Responsible Program: MBA Program
- 2. Responsible Unit: Organization Studies
- 3. Subject Code (Rubric) and Course Number: ORGS 6500
- 4. Credit Value: 3.00
- 5. Long Course Title: Interpersonal Managerial Skills
- 6. Short Course Title: Interpersonal Managerial Skills
- 7. Type of Course Change(s) (indicate all that apply):

	in course number
	in credit value (provide course outline)
	in course title (provide course outline; short course titles may be a maximum of 40 characters, including punctuation and spaces)
	in course description (provide course outline; short course descriptions may be a maximum of 60 words, written in present tense)
	in learning objectives/outcomes (please append the program's existing learning outcomes as a separate document)
	in integration (please provide statement of approval from relevant undergraduate coordinator or Chair)
	in cross-listing (please provide statement of approval from other program)
Х	in pre/co-requisite
	retire course
	other (please specify)

8. Effective Term/Calendar Year of Proposed Change(s): Fall 2024



9. Rationale:

MGMT 5150 (Skills for Leadership) is a prerequisite for ORGS 6500. Because we have changed the rubric of MGMT 5150 to MGMT 6150, this proposal aims to update the prerequisite for ORGS 6500. ORGS 6500 is an active course.

10. Proposed Course Information:	10. Proposed Cou	urse Information:
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Existing Course Information (Change From):	Proposed Course Information (Change To):
Title: Interpersonal Managerial Skills	Title: Interpersonal Managerial Skills
Research demonstrates that people and	Research demonstrates that people and
their ability to work effectively together	their ability to work effectively together
are critical success factors for	are critical success factors for
organizations. This course focuses on	organizations. This course focuses on
specific personal and interpersonal skills	specific personal and interpersonal skills
for organizational (and professional)	for organizational (and professional)
effectiveness. With an emphasis on	effectiveness. With an emphasis on
experiential exercises, the course helps	experiential exercises, the course helps
students develop skills such as	students develop skills such as
communication; time, conflict and stress	communication; time, conflict and stress
management; performance management;	management; performance management;
gaining influence; and self-awareness	gaining influence; and self-awareness
(including emotional intelligence).	(including emotional intelligence).
Prerequisite: SB/ORGS 5100 3.0 and	Prerequisite: SB/ORGS 5100 3.0 and
SB/ORGS MGMT 5150 3.0	SB/MGMT 6150 3.0

Please insert approved course information on the left, and proposed course information on the right. Please clearly and visibly indicate how course information has been changed using strikethrough (left column), bold, underlining, colours, etc. (right column).

#### 11. Enrolment Notes:

There are no enrollment implications associated with this course change

#### 12. Consultation:

Consultation took place with the chair of the Organization Studies area



Originator:

Mike Valente	February 7 <sup>th</sup> , 2024
Signature	Date
Mike Valente	MBA Program Director
Name	Area or Specialization
Approvals:	
Area or Specialization I have reviewed this change form and I suppo	ort the proposed changes to the course.
Ruodan Shao	February 7 <sup>th</sup> , 2024
Signature	Date
Ruodan Shao	Organization Studies
Name	Area or Specialization
Degree Program: I have reviewed this change form and I suppo Mike Valente	ort the proposed changes to the course. February 7 <sup>th,</sup> 2024
Signature	Date
Mike Valente Name of Program Director	MBA Program Program
Name of Frogram Director	riogram
Program Committee: This course change has received the approva	l of the relevant Program Committee.
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Kevin Tasa	February 15, 2024
Signature	Date
Kevin Tasa	MPC
Name of Committee Chair	Committee



# Course Change Proposal Form Schulich School of Business

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- 1. Responsible Program: MBA Program
- 2. Responsible Unit: Organization Studies
- 3. Subject Code (Rubric) and Course Number: ORGS 6720
- 4. Credit Value: 3.00
- 5. Long Course Title: Managing Team Dynamics
- 6. Short Course Title: Managing Team Dynamics
- 7. Type of Course Change(s) (indicate all that apply):

	in course number
	in credit value (provide course outline)
	in course title (provide course outline; short course titles may be a maximum of 40 characters, including punctuation and spaces)
	in course description (provide course outline; short course descriptions may be a maximum of 60 words, written in present tense)
	in learning objectives/outcomes (please append the program's existing learning outcomes as a separate document)
	in integration (please provide statement of approval from relevant undergraduate coordinator or Chair)
	in cross-listing (please provide statement of approval from other program)
Х	in pre/co-requisite
	retire course
	other (please specify)

8. Effective Term/Calendar Year of Proposed Change(s): Fall 2024



9. Rationale:

MGMT 5150 (Skills for Leadership) is a prerequisite for ORGS 6720. Because we have changed the rubric of MGMT 5150 to MGMT 6150, this proposal aims to update the prerequisite for ORGS 6720. ORGS 6720 is an active course but has not been offered since 2019.

10 .Proposed Course Information:

Please insert approved course information on the left, and proposed course information on the right. Please clearly and visibly indicate how course information has been changed using strikethrough (left column), bold, underlining, colours, etc. (right column).

Existing Course Information (Change From):	Proposed Course Information (Change To):
Title: Managing Team Dynamics	Title: Managing Team Dynamics
Organizations have moved to flatter, team-	Organizations have moved to flatter, team-
based structures. Unfortunately, team	based structures. Unfortunately, team
dynamics (and ultimately team	dynamics (and ultimately team
performance) is often left to chance. This	performance) is often left to chance. This
course draws on solid empirical research	course draws on solid empirical research
to help future team managers increase the	to help future team managers increase the
probability of team success. Participants	probability of team success. Participants
will draw from their own experiences in	will draw from their own experiences in
discussing team management skills, and	discussing team management skills, and
will apply them in experiential exercises	will apply them in experiential exercises
(no group hugs). EnrolIment Maximum: 30	(no group hugs). Enrollment Maximum: 30
Prerequisite: ORGS 5100 3.0 and MGMT	Prerequisite: SB/ORGS 5100 3.0 and
5150 3.0	SB/MGMT 6150 3.0

#### 11 Enrolment Notes:

There are no enrollment implications associated with this course change

#### 12 Consultation:

Consultation took place with the chair of the Organization Studies area



Originator:

_	Mike Valente	February 7 <sup>th</sup> , 2024
	Signature	Date
-	Mike Valente	MBA Program Director
	Name	Area or Specialization
Approv	als:	
	Specialization eviewed this change form and I support the	proposed changes to the course.
	Ruodan Shao	February 7 <sup>th</sup> , 2024
-	Signature	Date
	Ruodan Shao	Organization Studies
-	Name	Area or Specialization
•	Program: eviewed this change form and I support the <i>Mike Valente</i>	proposed changes to the course. February 7th, 2024
-	Signature	Date
-	Mike Valente	MBA Program
	Name of Program Director	Program
0	n Committee: Irse change has received the approval of the	relevant Program Committee.
	Kevin Tasa	February 15, 2024
-	Signature	Date
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MPC Committee



# Course Change Proposal Form Schulich School of Business

The following information is required for all course change proposals. To facilitate the review/approval process, please use the headings below (and omit the italicized explanations below each heading). Provide evidence of consultation, where appropriate.

- 1. Responsible Program: MBA Program
- 2. Responsible Unit: MBA Program Director
- 3. Subject Code (Rubric) and Course Number: MGMT 6300
- 4. Credit Value: 3.00
- 5. Long Course Title: Case Analysis and Presentation Skills
- 6. Short Course Title: Case Analysis and Presentation Skills
- 7. Type of Course Change(s) (indicate all that apply):

	in course number
	in credit value (provide course outline)
	in course title (provide course outline; short course titles may be a maximum of 40 characters, including punctuation and spaces)
	in course description (provide course outline; short course descriptions may be a maximum of 60 words, written in present tense)
	in learning objectives/outcomes (please append the program's existing learning outcomes as a separate document)
	in integration (please provide statement of approval from relevant undergraduate coordinator or Chair)
	in cross-listing (please provide statement of approval from other program)
Х	in pre/co-requisite
	retire course
	other (please specify)

8. Effective Term/Calendar Year of Proposed Change(s): Fall 2024


#### 9. Rationale:

MGMT 5150 (Skills for Leadership) is a prerequisite for MGMT 6300. Because we have changed the rubric of MGMT 5150 to MGMT 6150, this proposal aims to update the prerequisite for MGMT 6300. MGMT 6300 is an active course.

Existing Course Information (Change From):	Proposed Course Information (Change To):
Title: Case Analysis and Presentation Skills	Title: Case Analysis and Presentation Skills
This course is designed to give students the	This course is designed to give students the
opportunity to practice and develop their	opportunity to practice and develop their
analytical thinking and presentation skills.	analytical thinking and presentation skills.
The key objective of the course is to train	The key objective of the course is to train
students to successfully participate in national	students to successfully participate in national
and international case competitions. A	and international case competitions. A
secondary objective is to prepare students to	secondary objective is to prepare students to
successfully interview for management	successfully interview for management
consulting positions. Second year MBA	consulting positions. Second year MBA
students who enjoy analyzing cases and	students who enjoy analyzing cases and
delivering presentations are encouraged to	delivering presentations are encouraged to
take the course.	take the course.
Prerequisites: SB/ACTG 5100 3.00,	Prerequisites: SB/ACTG 5100 3.00,
SB/MGMT 5150 3.00, SB/SUST 5200 3.00,	SB/MGMT 6150 3.00, SB/SUST 5200 3.00,
SB/MKTG 5200 3.00 & SB/ORGS 5100 3.00	SB/MKTG 5200 3.00 & SB/ORGS 5100 3.00
Corequisite: SB/SGMT 6000 3.00	Corequisite: SB/SGMT 6000 3.00
Course credit exclusions: (prior to Fall 2022)	Course credit exclusions: (prior to Fall 2022)
SB/SGMT 5800 3.00, (prior to Fall 2019)	SB/SGMT 5800 3.00, (prior to Fall 2019)
SB/MGMT 5260 3.00	SB/MGMT 5260 3.00

#### 10 . Proposed Course Information:

11 Enrolment Notes:

There are no enrollment implications associated with this course change

#### 12 Consultation:

Because the MBA program director manages MGMT courses, no consultation took place.

Originator:

*Mike Valente* Signature February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Date

Mike Valente Name MBA Program Director Area or Specialization

Approvals:

Area or Specialization

I have reviewed this change form and I support the proposed changes to the course.

David M. RiceFebruary 8th, 2024SignatureDate

David M. Rice Name Marketing Area or Specialization

Degree Program:

I have reviewed this change form and I support the proposed changes to the course.

Mike ValenteFebruary 7th, 2024SignatureDate

Mike Valente Name of Program Director

MBA Program Program

Program Committee:

This course change has received the approval of the relevant Program Committee.

Kevin TasaFebruary 15, 2024SignatureDate

Kevin Tasa Name of Committee Chair MPC Committee



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ORGS 6500 F - INTERPERSONAL MANAGERIAL SKILLS INSTRUCTOR ⊠ ② ふ



# **BRIEF DESCRIPTION**

Research demonstrates that people and their ability to work effectively together are critical success factors for organizations. This course focuses on specific personal and interpersonal skills for organizational (and professional) effectiveness. With an emphasis on experiential exercises, the course helps students develop skills such as communication; time, conflict and stress management; performance management; gaining influence; and self-awareness (including emotional intelligence). Prerequisites: SB/ORGS 5100 3.00 and MGMT 6150 3.00.

# **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

ORGS 6500 is an advanced, self-directed and experiential course, designed to provide students with a learning laboratory in which they identify and experience their own interpersonal managerial style and its effectiveness. The course builds upon and relies heavily upon material from Organizational Behavior, Communication and Psychology and **self directed research/reading.** The course also emphasizes experiencing oneself as an active problem-solver, using course material, concepts and experiences to create action and distinct learning outcomes.

According to a number of studies, communication, problem-solving and teamwork skills topped the list of skill gaps found in Canadian organizations. While quantitative, analytic, and conceptual ability are essential components of the manager's skill set, this course is predicated on the recognition that these abilities, in the absence of effective interpersonal skills, do not produce effective managers, leaders or community members.

The purpose of this course, therefore, is to assist practising and\or aspiring managers, professionals, organizational/community members and leaders in the development of personal and interpersonal competencies. This course will move toward this objective via a combination of conceptual and experiential instructional material, with emphasis on written reflection, experiential and participative activities, simulations, quizzes and class involvement as a means of identifying, exploring and developing managerial skills through the lens of self-directed learning.

A key component in the process of identifying and developing managerial skills is the development of **selfawareness**. The kind of management/interpersonal skills that bring great outcomes stem from deep, and often transformative experiences in self and other awareness. Students should be prepared for this kind of learning experience. The course therefore begins with a focus on self-awareness, and then moves to focus on interpersonal and managerial skills.

# **COURSE MATERIAL**

*Required materials* for this course consits of a textbook, **and documents/articles/videos posted on Canvas (for each module)**. There may be materials added here throughout the term, so check often. ALL TEXTBOOK READINGS AND CANVAS MATERIALS ARE REQUIRED READINGS.

Required reading for this course includes the following textbook:

LOOK:: Looking Out, Looking In, 5th Edition |

Ronald B. Adler, Russell F. Procter II, Jimmie Manning, Judith A. Rolls

ISBN · 9781774747711 ; ISBN · 9781774747605.

# **ASSIGNMENT SUMMARY**

Assignment   Task	Group   Individual	Total % of Final Grade	Due Date
Personal Reflection Memo 14.5%			
Personal Reflection Memo (PERM)	B	14.5%	Tue Feb 27, 2024 at 11:59pm EST
Quiz 1 13%			
Quiz 1 - SUBMIT HERE	හි	13%	Tue Jan 30, 2024 at 04:15pm EST
Quiz 2 13%			
Quiz 2	පි	13%	Tue Mar 5, 2024 at 04:05pm EST
Quiz 3 13%			
Quiz 3	ß	13%	Tue Apr 2, 2024 at 04:05pm EDT
Skill Application Report 18.5%			
Skill Application Report	ß	18.5%	Tue Apr 2, 2024 at 08:30am EDT
Final Journal 10%			
Final Journal Details - NOTE: This is due 5 days after our final class	ප	10%	Sat Apr 6, 2024 at 11:59pm EDT
Class Engagement and Contribution 18%			
Overview: Class Engagement and Contribution	ප	0%	
In-Class Engagement and Contribution	Ğ	13%	
Discussion Board	e	5%	
Incomplete Leader Activity: SUBMIT HERE	ę	O%	
Tell Us A Story! Perception Activity	B	O%	

# WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS: DESCRIPTIONS

#### Personal Reflection Memo (PERM)

**Due Date:** Tue Feb 27, 2024 at 11:59pm EST

Please see details for this assignment below:

Personal Reflection Memo - Details and Instructions (https://schulich.instructure.com/courses/10919/pages/personal-reflection-memo-detailed-instructions)

#### Quiz 1 - SUBMIT HERE

**Due Date:** Tue Jan 30, 2024 at 04:15pm EST

# In this class, we will have a 90 minute, in-class quiz covering all required text readings, Canvas materials, and in-class discussions and activities.

This includes any assigned material for today's class.

The format will be an in-class, open-book, <u>team-based activity</u> <u>with a deliverable.</u> It will be based on readings from the text and required readings and materials, as well as some on-line research done in real time.

# How to be prepared?

- A. Keep up with assigned tasks and course materials
- B. Engage in class discussions

#### Quiz 2

**Due Date:** Tue Mar 5, 2024 at 04:05pm EST

In this class, we will have an in-class quiz which will be in-class, team-based, openbook, task, or an activity with a group presentation in class based on readings from the

text and required readings and materials.



# today's class.

# How to be prepared?

A. Keep up with assigned tasks and course materials

B. Engage in class discussions

#### Quiz 3

**Due Date:** Tue Apr 2, 2024 at 04:05pm EDT

In this class, we will have an in-class quiz covering all required text readings, Canvas materials, and in-class discussions and activities.

This includes any assigned material for this class.

## It will be a <u>closed-book, multiple-choice quiz</u> based on readings from the text and required readings and materials. It is cumulative.

#### Skill Application Report

🔀 **Due Date:** Tue Apr 2, 2024 at 08:30am EDT

Please see details for this assignment below:

Skill Application Report - Detailed Instructions (https://schulich.instructure.com/courses/10919/pages/skill-application-report-detailed-instructions)



**Due Date:** Sat Apr 6, 2024 at 11:59pm EDT

# ORGS 4500

# Instructions for Final Journal

# NOTE: This is due 5 days after our final class, on April 6, 2024, 11:59 p.m.

For your final JOURNAL, you will use the your PERM, SkillApp as well as any of the assessments, exercises, class notes, other reflections, experiences, ideas, etc., that you completed and/or used during the term. You are encouraged to also utilize additional resources that you have procured independently.

The more you reflect on these, the more helpful your final journal will be when YOU try to understand what you have learned (but be sure there is a reason to include them - i.e., explain what they mean).

Then, look back at your learning process and reflect on what it has taught you. In order to do so, I'd like you to try to use the following questions as a guide for the final summary – in other words, you do not have to use these exactly, but use them as a guide:

• What does this work illustrate about what you have learned? What does it tell you about how you learn? (Try to identify specific examples of learning. Be sure to refer to sources outside of what is provided to you.

• What did you feel comfortable with? What did you struggle with? What skills did you need to use to fulfill this learning responsibility? What does this learning have to do with the kind of managerial skills you will need? What future objectives do you want to set? (Again, try to be as specific and concrete as possible. Cite examples from other sources.)

• What skills are you most proud of having applied this term? What is the most important thing you feel you learned?

The purpose of this summary is to help you understand your learning experience. Each student goes through a unique learning experience and only you can make sense and draw conclusions about your own experience. Therefore, it is crucial that you take this opportunity to record and reflect on what you have done, what impact it has had on you, and what future agenda you want to set for yourself as a result of this experience. When the course is finished your learning doesn't end. In order to take advantage of your experience over this term you must set your own agenda and continue to build on the foundation set by this course. There is no length requirement for the summary. It will be as long as it needs to be. The only 'requirements' are that you:

1. Take an honest look at your experience and learning. There are no right or wrong answers, only honest ones. No BS please.

2. Be concrete, specific and GENUINE with the descriptions of experience and learning outcomes. Not general, not essay style, and NO BS. Use real concepts, look them up (research not google search), find ways to expand your understanding and develop new actions.

3. Be sure it all makes sense in that there is a thread(a common theme) that runs through your learning in the summary.

4. Display your commitment to continuous and self-directed learning by going beyond the materials provided to you.

Additionally, what I will be looking for when I read your summary is your ability to draw meaningful conclusions (abstract conceptualization) from your experience (reflective observation) of situations you have been in (concrete experience), and think about what you've learned and discovered in application and future plans (active experimentation). In other words, I will use the learning cycle (what happened; what was my experience of the situation; what does this mean theoretically; and what action(s) do I need to implement in the future) to understand what you are describing to me. The more concrete, specific, owned and descriptive you can be in your communication of your learning, the better I will understand what you've done and where you plan to go.

5. Writing quality counts.

6. Resources count – properly cited, well researched (this does not mean many articles, it just means no BS).

7. Although this assignment is intended to test students' own understanding of course material, class experience, and self-directed learning, I recognize that students might be tempted to use generative AI (eg., ChatGPT) to assist you with this assignment. I do not endorse or encourage the use of generative AI. However, if you choose to do so, you must outline **the following information** on an additional page or 2 as an appendix:

a) What platform was used?

To do this part, include something like "This assignment features original content created by *the author. AI-powered tools (indicate tools)* have been utilized to assist with *organization, editing, grammar, spelling, or whatever you use them for* to enhance the reading experience." Of course, this is an example. You are expected to customize the *colour-coded components* of this statement according to how you use these tools if you choose to do so.

b) Include a screenshot of the **specific prompts/queries and responses** you used (only the last 2-3 that you used are important).

c) Indicate in less than one page how you altered the responses you received and in what way. What was good? What helped you? What did not? What did you not use?

d) You must indicate how you verify (fact-check) the responses. Indicate the references that helped you do so using the library **research tools** (https://schulich.instructure.com/courses/9644/pages/crucial-resources-for-this-class).

e) Please be aware that AI tools are helpful, but not perfect. If students uncritically accept every "fact" they spew out, or if you instruct the bot to write your paper for you, you'll end up with subpar work—and the low grade you deserve. Bad work is bad work. Going above and beyond what AI can do, and illustrating how you did, will be rewarded with higher grades.

AI may be impressive, but it still has profound limitations. It can generate lists of ideas, but only humans can exercise the judgment necessary to separate the good from the bad. It can do basic research, but only humans can vet that research for accuracy and connect it to real personal experiences and customized learning. It can write competent sentences, but only humans can arrange those sentences into coherent—and, better yet, original—papers.

f) **NOTE:** The use of grammar-checking applications like Grammarly or Quillbot should also be indicated in your paper in a simple statement in the references section.

### loverview: Class Engagement and Contribution

# Overview: Class Engagement and Contribution

Since so much of the learning in this course depends on participating in the skill practice exercises held in class, out of class on your own and with others, **it is imperative that students not miss scheduled synchronous components or out of class exercises/activities/required reading.** 

For this reason, a significant portion (18%) of the final grade will be based on class engagement and participation. This may include peer and team activities, completing pre-work, in class tasks as well as some specific deliverables/assignments (see below).

## Class engagement will include satisfactory delivery of:

- Discussion board activity - 5% (pass/fail) \* MORE DETAILS HERE (https://schulich.instructure.com/courses/10919/discussion\_topics/114014)

- In-Class Engagement and Contribution - 13% \* MORE DETAILS HERE (https://schulich.instructure.com/courses/10919/assignments/105899)

Be sure to check the details for each of these components.

In-Class Engagement and Contribution

# In-Class Engagement and Contribution

Please be sure to <u>post a **recent photo** of yourself on</u> <u>Canvas</u> (you can do this on your Canvas under the 'settings' tab). Be sure your face is visible in the photo.

Also, be sure to <u>ALWAYS have your name tent on</u> <u>display in class</u>.

If you cannot/do not do these two things, I cannot guarantee an accurate grade for this important class component.

Since so much of the learning in this course depends on participating in the skill practice exercises held in class, out of class on your own and with others, **it is imperative that students not miss scheduled in class components** <u>or</u> **out of class exercises/activities/required reading, etc.** 

For this reason, **a significant portion** of the **final grade** will be based on **class engagement and participation**.

This includes completing and commenting in class on pre-work, completing and submitting pop-quizzes and pop-tasks as well as some informal, ungraded presentations.

Half will be allocated to participation (showing up, comments, on time, completion of ungraded activities) and the remaining half will be allocated to active, in-

# class engagement.

# **Class Engagement**

The focus of this class is on interpersonal skills. As such, the emphasis for this component will be on active, verbal participation. This includes asking and answering questions in class -t hose posed by the instructor and your peers. It also includes trying your best to be a catalyst for discussion in class.

If you anticipate that this will be difficult for you, speak to me early in the term so we can figure out how to make it easier.

# 1. Some criteria for in-class contributions include:

Excellent	Students "make things happen" by always seizing the initiative, being prepared and informed, sharing cool ideas and articles, and sharing ideas they have come across in class.
Good	Students "know what happened" and frequently provide insight by sharing cool ideas and articles, being prepared and informed, and sharing ideas they have come across in class.
Average	Students "watch things happen" and occasionally participate in sharing cool ideas and articles, being prepared and informed, and sharing ideas they have come across in class.
Below Average	Students, while appearing observant rarely speak up or share cool ideas and articles, and sharing ideas they have come across in class.
Poor	Students do not participate, miss classes, arrive late, are clearly doing other tasks, do not put up a name plate, do not post photo in Canvas, etc.

# 2. If you are curious about where you stand on this at any time, please reach out.

# 3. Three or more unexplained absences will result in an automatic failing grade for this component.

Discussion Board

# See details for the discussion board here.

(https://schulich.instructure.com/courses/10919/discussion\_topics/114014)

#### Incomplete Leader Activity: SUBMIT HERE

Read: In Praise of The Incomplete Leader (Canvas), prepare answers, submit in Canvas:

1. What role does self-awareness play in:

- -Sensemaking?
- -Relating?
- -Visioning?
- -Inventing?
- 2. Are you "incomplete"?
- 3. In what ways?

#### Tell Us A Story! Perception Activity

- In your groups, use your experiences to develop an illustrative story for one of these "tendencies" or perceprual biases.
- Be prepared to share it and tell us why it fits.
- 1. Halo effect
- 2. Attribution errors
- 3. Self-serving bias
- 4. Another perceptual bias that you discover

### WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS: EVALUATION

Please note, this is an experiential course, and the learning will be graded according to your abilities listed below:

- 1. The criteria to be used in the evaluation of all reports will be the extent to which you are able to reflect honestly, meaningfully and with ownership, and to describe the skill applications in an owned, solution-oriented, integrated and descriptive manner.
- 2. Due to the self-directed nature of this course, students are strongly encouraged to establish a timetable for handing in work in order to receive timely feedback.

# **CALCULATING COURSE GRADE**

# Final grades will be allocated as per the assignment value. Students are encouraged to seek feedback on a regular basis.

Assignments are expected to be submitted on time on the date they are due unless otherwise stated. Late assignments (if any) will normally incur a penalty of one letter grade per day. Please note that if there are extenuating circumstances for not completing assignments on time, you are required to contact the instructor beforehand. In this course, securing permission is preferable to begging for forgiveness.

The Schulich School does not use a percentage scale or prescribe a standard conversion formula from percentages to letter grades. Conversions within a course are at the discretion of the instructor, and for this course, numeric grades will be calculated/converted as per the scale below:

Grade	A+	А	A-	B+	В	B-	C+	С	C-	F
Grade Poin <sup>.</sup>	ts 9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0

Percent 90% - 100% 85% - 89% 80-84% 75-79% 70-74% 65-69% 60-64% 55-59% 50-54% Below 50%

Schulich grading policy does not require a preset translation of percentages into specific letter grades. In this class, final letter grades will be determined by the following process:

Each assignment will be returned to students with a numerical score. These will then be summed and converted to a letter grade. This will result in your 9 point grade. I will keep a running tally on the participation grade and students may check to see how they are doing during the course of the term.

Grade A+ A A- B+ B B- C+ C C- F

Grade Points 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0

# **CLASS-BY-CLASS SYLLABUS**





Class 1 - Overview, Introduction, A First Look at Interpersonal Communication

Jan 9/24Overview and Assigned Text Readings - Class 1Class 1Assigned Textbook Readings:Chapter 1: A First Look at Interpersonal<br/>Communication

Class 2 - Communication and Identity: Presenting the Self



Class 3: Emotions: Feeling, Thinking and Communicating/Mental Health 1

Assigned Text Readings: Chapter 4 - Emotions: Feeling, Thinking and Communicating

## Class 4 - Stress and Mental Health/Quiz 1

Overview and Assigned Text Readings - Class 4 Jan 30/24 Class 4 - Stress and Mental Health Quiz 1

Class 5 - Perception, Problem Solving and Decision Making

Feb 6/24 Overview and Assigned Text Readings - Class 5 Class 5: Perception, Problem Solving and Decision Making Assigned Textbook Readings: Chapter 3

Class 6 - Communication 1: Introduction, Online Communication, Social Media

Overview and Assigned Text Readings - Class 6 Feb 13/24

**Class 6: Communication 1: Online Communicatic** Assigned Textbook Readings: Chapter 6

Class 7 - Communication 2: Listening, Presence, and Engagement/PERM Research and Writing Clinic

Feb 27/24

Overview and Assigned Text Readings - Class 7

Class 7 - Communication 2: Listening, Presence, and Engagement/PERM Research and Writing Clinic Assigned Textbook Readings: Chapter 8

#### Class 8 - Relationships 1: Diversity and Inclusion/Quiz 2

	Overview and Assigned Text Readings - Class 8
Pre	-Class Required Materials and Resources
Ċ <sup>D</sup>	Privilege 101: A Quick and Dirty Guide
	HBR Article: Creating a trans-Inclusive Workplace.
Del	iverables and Activities
P	Personal Reflection Memo (PERM)
	Choose Pairs Partner
Ð	Quiz 2

Class 9 - Relationships 2: Managing Conflict, Communication, Relational Dynamics



Class 10 - Relationships 3: Improving Communication Climates

 Mar 19/24
 Overview and Assigned Text Readings - Class 10

 Class 10 - Communication, Relational Dynamics and Climates/Skill Application Writing Clinic

 Assigned Text Readings: Chapters 9 and 10

Class 11 - Coaching, Providing Feedback, Managing Performance/Skill Application Writing Clinic

Mar 26/24

Overview and Assigned Text Readings - Class 11

Class 11 - Coaching, Providing Feedback & Performa

#### Class 12 - Course Wrap-up and The Meaning of Life (and Work)/Quiz 3

Apr 2/24

Overview and Assigned Text Readings - Class 12

# Class 12 - Course Wrap-up and The Meaning of L Canvas Materials Only

# STUDENT PREPARATION FOR CLASS AND CLASS PARTICIPATION: EXPECTATIONS

#### Preparation

The value of this learning depends greatly on student involvement, input and responsibility. Students are encouraged to prepare well for every class and during class, to concentrate on making genuine, significant contributions to discussions and activities.

This class follows an Adult Education Model and requires commitment to class attendance, participation and personal responsibility for learning outcomes in a way that is likely unique for most students.

#### Preparation

1) This class will **require you** to pre purchase the required textbook.

2) You are expected to have read the assigned material in the order listed in the course outline. The amount of reading varies by class so plan accordingly.

3) Some classes require you to complete questionnaires, assessments, etc. **PRIOR TO READING THE ASSIGNED CHAPTERS FOR THAT WEEK. You are ABSOLUTELY expected to complete the assigned exercises and assessments each week as per the outline. These activities are crucial to the adequate completion of the graded components of this course as well as to your own learning.** This is absolutely essential to both completion of the graded assignments, and more importantly, your time.

#### **Class Attendance and Participation**

Since so much of the learning in this course depends on participating in the skill practice exercises held in class, it **is imperative that students not miss class** and have read the relevant skill learning components of each chapter, as well as any other assigned materials, before each class. For this reason, **20%** of the **final grade** will be based on **class participation**. **Anyone missing more than three classes without obtaining prior permission cannot achieve a grade higher than C+.** 

The instructor will maintain records and will provide individual feedback at any point during the semester on request. Students are evaluated based on attendance (5/20), preparedness (10/20), and the quality of contribution to class discussion and activities (5/20). Obviously, preparedness depends upon attendance.

Some criteria for class contributions include:

Excellent	Students "make things happen" by always seizing the initiative					
Good	Students "know what happened" and frequently provide insight					
Average	Students "watch things happen" and occasionally participate					
Below Average Students, while appearing observant rarely speak up						
Poor	Students do not participate, miss classes, arrive late					
Excellent participation would be characterized by the following:						
1. Initiates information relative to topics discussed						

- 2. Accurately exhibits knowledge of course content
- 3. Demonstrates excellent listening by remaining on the "same page" as class
- 4. Raises questions that need to be further explored
- 5. Clarifies points that others may not understand
- 6. Draws upon personal experience or personal opinion
- 7. Offers relevant, succinct input to class
- 8. Demonstrates ability to apply, analyse, and synthesize course material
- 9. Demonstrates willingness to take risk in the kind of engagement required for a class of this nature
- 10. Consistently attends class

These course materials are designed for use as part of this course at York University and are the property of the instructor unless otherwise stated. Third party copyrighted materials (such as

book chapters, journal articles, music, videos, etc.) have either been licensed for use in this course or fall under an exception or limitation in Canadian Copyright law.

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- Materials & Outcomes
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# **3RIEF DESCRIPTION**

rganizations have moved to flatter, team-based structures. Unfortunately, team dynamics (and ultimately team erformance) is often left to chance. This course draws on solid empirical research to help future team managers increase the obability of team success. Participants will draw from their own experiences in discussing team management skills, and wil oply them in experiential exercises (no group hugs).

Prerequisites: SB/ORGS 5100 3.00 and SB.MGMT 6150 3.00.

## **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

order to increase flexibility and responsiveness in their increasingly dynamic and unpredictable environments, many ganizations have abandoned rigid hierarchies in favor of more responsive team-based structures. Additionally, given the pid changes of an Internet-paced global economy, organizations now rely more on teams, versus individuals, to quickly ather complex information, analyze it, and produce sound, timely decisions.

s a result, most knowledge work in organizations takes place within the boundaries of face-to-face or virtual teams, and nowing more about how teams function and how best to manage them has become vitally important for successful leaders nd their organizations. Accordingly, the purpose of this course is to assure that Schulich graduates continue their careers ith solid and practical knowledge of team dynamics.

# Learning Outcomes

- 1. Understand the consequences of team formation and development processes;
- 2. Access thorough knowledge of key team processes and outcomes;
- 3. Accurately identify the team-related behaviour of others;

- 4. Engage in effective teamwork behaviours; and
- 5. Effectively and cooperatively manage a small team, particularly in uncertain or stressful situations.

# **COURSE MATERIAL**

**rst**, the following book is available for purchase from the York University Bookstore (**http://bookstore.blog.yorku.ca** ⇒ **ttp://bookstore.blog.yorku.ca**):

10mpson, L. 2014. Making the team: A guide for managers (6th ed). New Jersey: Pearson/Prentice Hall.

:cond, an online digital collection of additional reading materials has been prepared to supplement the required text. Most this material consists of academic journal articles. Don't panic -- I will show you in class how to read these articles uickly and efficiently. Students are expected to have read the assigned readings before attending each class session. These materials are available free through the library. You may access them through the York library course reserves website ttp://www.library.yorku.ca/web/ ID (http://www.library.yorku.ca/web/) by entering either the course number (ORGS 6720) c y last name (Friedman) under "Course Reserves" tab.

**hird**, the *Course Materials Database (Canvas)* has been created for this course. It contains general information for Schulich udents and information and materials specific to this course. YOU ARE strongly adbvised to check it frequently as it contair quired readings.

**nally**, over the course of the semester, you will write 10 journal entries in a personal journal for this course. Your journal ntries will be submitted to me via Canvas.

## **ASSIGNMENT SUMMARY**

Assignment   Task	Group   Individual	Total % of Final Grade	Due Date
Individual Analysis 10%			
Individual Analysis	e	10%	Mon Oct 7, 2019 at 23:59pm EDT
Team "Pop" Task 10%			
Team "Pop" Task	ප	10%	
Mid-Term Examination 35%			
Mid-Term Examination	e	35%	Tue Oct 29, 2019 at 11:30am EDT
Team Challenge 25%			
Team Challenge	Ś	25%	Tue Nov 26, 2019 at 11:30am EST
Peer Assessment 10%			
Peer Assessment	e	10%	Tue Nov 26, 2019 at 11:30am EST
Individual Journal 10%			
Individual Journal 1	Ċ	1%	Tue Sep 10, 2019 at 23:59pm EDT

Assignment   Task	Group   Individual	Total % of Final Grade	Due Date
Individual Journal 2	ළ	1%	Tue Sep 17, 2019 at 23:59pm EDT
Individual Journal 3	ප	1%	Tue Sep 24, 2019 at 23:59pm EDT
Individual Journal 4	ප	1%	Tue Oct 1, 2019 at 23:59pm EDT
Individual Journal 5	ප	1%	Tue Oct 8, 2019 at 23:59pm EDT
Individual Journal 6	ප	1%	Tue Oct 22, 2019 at 23:59pm EDT
Individual Journal 7	ප	1%	Tue Nov 12, 2019 at 23:59pm EST
Individual Journal 8	ප	1%	Tue Nov 19, 2019 at 23:59pm EST
Individual Journal 9	ප	1%	Tue Nov 26, 2019 at 23:59pm EST
Individual Journal 10	ප	1%	Tue Dec 3, 2019 at 23:59pm EST

# **NRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS: DESCRIPTIONS**

#### <sup>•</sup> Individual Analysis

' Due Date: Mon Oct 7, 2019 at 23:59pm EDT

nis analysis will provide you the opportunity to analyze an example of team behaviour using concepts covered in the course. Nu may need to <u>read ahead</u> in our assigned readings to find a course concept that helps you analyze the team behaviour you noose.

**rst**, read the Team Analysis Form that is posted on Canvas (Under Class 1). This form will guide you through constructing you nalysis of your team's behaviour.

**cond**, find a team portrayed in a film or TV show. Please try to avoid scenes that contain excessive graphic language, plence, sex, or other behaviours you would not want to watch with your grandmother. You must be able to convincingly gue that your example fits our definition of "team." Identify a segment of the film **not more than three minutes long** that ou believe exhibits team behaviour that corresponds to one or more of our course concepts. Record your film clip in MP4 rmat and upload it to Canvas, or include the Vimeo or YouTube URL of the clip on your Team Analysis Form.

**nally**, complete the Team Analysis Form, and upload it to Canvas by 11:59pm on Oct 7th. Forms submitted late will incur a 5 enalty, so don't wait until 11:59pm to upload everything!

#### Pop" Task

is team exercise will be held in class and will involve an unannounced task (similar to a "pop quiz") that teams will perform inder deadline conditions. The task may involve answering questions regarding course content covered in previous class eetings, may involve coordinating as a team to perform a given task with a gradable outcome or output, or may involve a imbination of both types of activities. Teams will also perform a team debrief after the pop task is complete.

#### Mid-Term Examination

' Due Date: Tue Oct 29, 2019 at 11:30am EDT

written examination will be given to assess your understanding of the assigned material up to and including the material o rtual teams. The exam will be taken during the regularly scheduled class meeting, and will contain a variety of question pes (i.e. true/false, multiple choice, short-answer, and essay-type questions).

#### P Team Challenge

' Due Date: Tue Nov 26, 2019 at 11:30am EST

ear the end of our course we will have the Team Challenge. Attendance for the Team Challenge is mandatory. Teams will be ven a task to perform under deadline conditions during the class meeting, and their performance will be graded based on Jantitative and qualitative measures. More information about these measures will be provided in class before the day of the nallenge. The Challenge will be designed to give teams the opportunity to put into practice the theories and knowledge ey have gained throughout the course. The preliminary results of the Team Challenge will be announced during the final eeting of the course.

#### Peer Assessment

' Due Date: Tue Nov 26, 2019 at 11:30am EST

ter our class meeting is finished on this day, students will receive an email with a link to a form in order to assess the articipation of team members throughout the semester. This assessment is due within 24 hours of the end of our course for e semester.

#### <sup>•</sup> Individual Journal 1

<sup>7</sup> Due Date: Tue Sep 10, 2019 at 23:59pm EDT

ne individual journal consists of ten separate entries, each of which addresses specific questions. The deadlines for journal ntry submissions are noted below. Each student will submit entries on Canvas, shared only with me, the professor. **Journal ntries should not be emailed to me directly.** 

ne purpose of the journal is to give you the opportunity to reflect on how a team develops over time, and on how you perceive oth the team and your role in it. Your journal should be a personal document that contains both your answers to specific uestions (noted below) as well as your personal reflections regarding the content matter. Each journal entry is worth 1% of our overall course grade.

>urnal Entry #1 -- After Class 1: Introduction and Overview

'hat is your impression of your new team for this course? Would you describe your team as friendly, serious, boring, or would ou choose other words to describe the team? What evidence (i.e., specific behaviours) by team members leads you to this escription? Does one person seem to be emerging as an informal team leader? What behaviours lead you to believe this? 'hat other impressions do you have of your new team, and why? Do you think your team will perform well during this ourse? Why/why not?

#### <sup>•</sup> Individual Journal 2

<sup>7</sup> Due Date: Tue Sep 17, 2019 at 23:59pm EDT

vurnal Entry #2 -- After Class 2: Team Outcomes and Rewards

ink of a team you've worked on that worked well, and one that didn't work so well. Which essential conditions for successfi am performance (as described in the book) were or were not present in each team? How did these conditions affect team erformance?

#### <sup>9</sup> Individual Journal 3

' Due Date: Tue Sep 24, 2019 at 23:59pm EDT

urnal Entry 3 -- After Class 3: Team Development

am members go through stages of development. Which stage would you say most of your team members have reached? 'hat evidence leads you to this conclusion? Be specific in identifying and describing the evidence.

#### <sup>•</sup> Individual Journal 4

' Due Date: Tue Oct 1, 2019 at 23:59pm EDT

#### >urnal Entry #4 -- After Class 4: Team Communication

ow would you rate your team's communication in class? Is it uneven or even communication? How would you improve you am's communication? Develop one suggestion for improving your team's communication and present it to your team uring the next class.

#### <sup>•</sup> Individual Journal 5

' Due Date: Tue Oct 8, 2019 at 23:59pm EDT

vurnal Entry #5 -- After Class 5: Team Decision Making and Deadlines

ow that you've had the opportunity to engage in a few decision-making episodes with your team, how would you rate its ecision-making processes? What specific evidence leads you to your conclusions? Do you think time perception difference

ill create problems in your team?

#### <sup>•</sup> Individual Journal 6

' Due Date: Tue Oct 22, 2019 at 23:59pm EDT

vurnal Entry #6 -- After Class 6: Team Conflict and Creativity

sess the level of conflict in your team. Is it too high? Is it too low? Why do you think so? What can you, as a team member to better manage conflict in your team?

#### <sup>•</sup> Individual Journal 7

' Due Date: Tue Nov 12, 2019 at 23:59pm EST

#### >urnal Entry #7 -- After Class 9: Team Leadership

ne journal questions for the first journal entry asked you to identify anyone who seemed to be emerging as a team leader. As that person indeed so emerged? If so, why? If not, has someone else? Does what you see in your team correspond to the aradox of team leadership" as described in the book?

#### <sup>9</sup> Individual Journal 8

' Due Date: Tue Nov 19, 2019 at 23:59pm EST

wurnal Entry #8 -- After Class 10: Team Challenge Preparation

c) you believe your team is adequately prepared for the Team Challenge? Why/why not? Who on your team do you believe ill react best under pressure? Why do you think so? Would it be possible for this person to teach others on the team how to erform well under pressure? Why/why not?

#### <sup>•</sup> Individual Journal 9

' Due Date: Tue Nov 26, 2019 at 23:59pm EST

fter our class meeting is finished on this day, students will receive an email with a link to a form order to assess the participation of team members throughout the semester. This assessment due within 24 hours of the end of our course for the semester.

>urnal Entry #9 -- After Class 11: Team Challenge

ow would you describe your team's behaviours in terms of (1) conflict, (2) information sharing, (3) sychological safety, and (4) leadership during the team challenge? What did your team do well? /hat could your team have done better? What could you personally have done better? How do you 'el about your team now?

### PIndividual Journal 10

**Due Date:** Tue Dec 3, 2019 at 23:59pm EST

>urnal Entry #10 -- After Class 12: Team Challenge

ow that you've gone through the entire Managing Team Dynamics course, what is the most useful ing you learned during our course? Why do you think so? Is there anything you wish we had overed but didn't? Thanks for your input!

# **NRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS: EVALUATION**

ssignment/Task	Quantity	% Weight	Total %	Author
dividual Analysis	ן	10	10	Individual
id-Term Exam	ן	35	35	Individual
am Challenge	ן	25	25	Team
dividual Journal	ן	10	10	Individual
am "Pop Task"	ן	10	10	Team
er Assessment	ן	10	10	Individual
			100%	

# CALCULATING COURSE GRADE

ssignments are expected to be submitted on time on the date they are due unless otherwise stated. Late assignments (if y) will normally incur a penalty of one letter grade per day. Please note that if there are extenuating circumstances for not mpleting assignments on time, you are required to contact the instructor beforehand. In this course, securing permission i referable to begging for forgiveness.

this class, grades on each assignment will be graded as per the weighting, or will be converted from a araw score to a eighted score. The final grade out of 100 will be converted to the corresponding letter grade for this course.

**; a reminder,** Schulich grading policy does not require a preset translation of percentages into specific letter grades. **In this ass, final letter grades will be determined by the following scale:** 

+	Α	A-	B+	В	B-	C+	С	C-	F
3-100%	90-92%	87-89%	84-86%	80-83%	76-79%	72-75%	68-71%	65-68%	below 65%

# **CLASS-BY-CLASS SYLLABUS**

lass 1 - Introduction to Team Dynamics and Course Overview

Sep 10/19

Overview: Introduction to Team Dynamics and Course Overview

#### **Class Session**

Class 1

#### Topic: Introduction to Team Dynamics and Course Overview

We will cover an introduction to the topic of team dynamics and discuss the structure of the course. Teams will be assigned, and teams will prepare their Team Contracts for the semester.

#### Assigned Readings & Text

Materials will be distributed in class

#### Assigned work due

None

#### lass 2 - Types Team Performance

Sep 17/19

Overview: Types Team Performance

#### **Class Session**

Class 2

#### Topic: Types Team Performance

Topics covered in the class will center on a general model of team performance and on various reward an motivation structures used in team-based organizations.

#### Assigned Readings & Text

Text: Chapters 1 & 5 Articles: Mathieu et al. and Johnson et al. articles

#### Assigned work due

Journal entry

#### lass 3 - Team Design and Development

#### Sep 24/19

Overview: Team Design and Development

#### Class Session

Class 3

#### Topic: Team Design and Development

Models of team development will be discussed in the class, with an emphasis on the folly of assuming such development is always linear. The importance of the first team meeting will also be stressed.

#### Assigned Readings & Text

Text: Chapters 2 and 4 Articles: Polzer et al. and Ericksen et al. articles

#### Assigned work due

None

#### lass 4 - Team Communication

#### Oct 1/19

Overview: Team Communication

#### **Class Session**

Class 4

#### Topic: Team Communication

The vital role of team communication in team effectiveness, particularly vis a vis information sharing, will be covered here.

#### Assigned Readings & Text

Text: Chapter 6 Articles: Wittenbaum et al. and Lewis articles

#### Assigned work due

Journal entry Analysis: Individual analysis due on or before 11:59pm on **Oct 7 (day before <u>next</u> class meeting)** 

#### lass 5 - Team Decision Making and Its Pitfalls

#### Oct 8/19 Overview: Team Decision Making and Its Pitfalls

#### **Class Session**

Class 5

#### Topic: Team Decision Making and Its Pitfalls

Discussion during this class will center on processes of team decision making as well as on the effects of

time pressure and deadlines on effective team performance.

#### Assigned Readings & Text

Text: Chapter 7 Articles: De Dreu et al. and Tasa et al. articles

#### Assigned work due

None

#### lass 6 - Team Conflict and Creativity

#### Oct 15/19

Overview: Team Conflict and Creativity

#### **Class Session**

Class 6

#### Topic: Team Conflict and Creativity

Both team conflict and creativity can have surprising benefits and drawbacks -- these will be discussed and illustrated in this class.

#### Assigned Readings & Text

Text: Chapters 8 and 9 Articles: Langfred and George et al. articles

#### Assigned work due

Journal entry

#### lass 7 - Mid-Term Examination

#### Oct 29/19 Overview: Mid-Term Examination

#### **Class Session**

Class 7

#### Topic: Mid-Term Examination

Closed book, closed note, closed electronic device exam -- just bring pens/pencils to write with.

#### Assigned Readings & Text

Text: Everything up to this point in the course Articles: Everything up to this point in the course

#### Assigned work due

None

#### lass 8 - Virtual Teams

#### Nov 5/19 Overvie

#### Overview: Virtual Teams

#### **Class Session**

Class 8

#### Topic: Virtual Teams

The increasingly-important role of virtual teams in organizations will be discussed in this class, along with task types appropriate and problematic for virtual teams.

#### Assigned Readings & Text

Text: Chapter 12

Articles: To be determined (will be announced in a prior class meeting and posted on Canvas)

#### Assigned work due

No journal entry for this class meeting

#### lass 9 - Team Leadership

#### Nov 12/19 Overview: Team Leadership

#### Class Session

Class 9

#### Topic: Team Leadership

Single, shared, and perceived leadership in teams will be covered in this class.

#### Assigned Readings & Text

Text: Chapter 3 Articles: Carson et al. article

#### Assigned work due

None

#### lass 10 - Team Challenge Preparation

Nov 19/19 Overview: Team Challenge Preparation

#### Class Session

Class 10

#### Topic: Team Challenge Preparation

Teams will prepare for the Team Challenge during this class meeting. More information will be available on the day of this class.

#### Assigned Readings & Text

Text: None

Articles: None, but material will be provided in class

#### Assigned work due

Journal entry

#### lass 11 - Team Challenge (mandatory attendance)

Nov 26/19 Overview: Team Challenge (Mandatory Attendance)

#### **Class Session**

Class 11

Topic

*Team Challenge (mandatory attendance)* Teams will compete in the Team Challenge during this class meeting.

#### Assigned Readings & Text

None

#### Assigned work due

None

#### lass 12 - Team Challenge Debrief and Course Wrap-up

Dec 3/19 Overview: Team Challenge Debrief and Course Wrap-up

#### **Class Session**

Class 12

#### Topic

#### Team Challenge Debrief and Course Wrap-up

Teams will perform a debrief of their Team Challenge performance. The results of the Team Challenge will be announced and discussed. We will also do a course wrap-up and course evaluations. And then we will have to say good-bye. :(

#### Assigned Readings & Text

None

#### Assigned work due

None

# STUDENT PREPARATION FOR CLASS AND CLASS PARTICIPATION: EXPECTATIONS

#### reparation

**reparation**. You should come to each class meeting having already read the assigned reading (textbook and course reserve ticles) and, when appropriate, having written your journal entry about the previous class meeting. This course uses a variety teaching methods to encourage intellectual understanding and a personal sense of the subject matter on team dynamics.

'e will combine class meeting discussions with experiential techniques such as case studies, simulations, exercises, and tear scussions. We will also use a variety of media to facilitate understanding of the course concepts and to demonstrate their oplication in teams embedded in modern organizations.

**'ass Participation (contribution).** You will play a significant role in the active learning process within this course. Your active participation is an important aspect of this course and will enhance our learning experience. You will, for example, be spected to actively contribute in discussions and to share your knowledge and ideas relevant to the course. Of course, high uality participation involves (1) knowing when to speak and when to listen and allow others to speak, and (2) helping create a environment in which <u>all</u> of us feel safe in sharing comments, ideas, and experiences.

btably, there is no grade component in this course based on class participation. To me, participation is such an elemental spectation of MBA students, grading it would be akin to grading whether or not you breathe during class meetings. I deeply elieve that you already know, as a Schulich MBA student and as an adult, how vital your participation is to the learning stential of a course. I also realize that some of us are more introverted or extroverted than others. If you fall on the more troverted side, I hope you find our class meetings a safe and comfortable environment within which to share your thoughts oth during our class discussions and during your team activities. If you are a bit on the extroverted side, I hope you share our thoughts and also encourage others to do the same.

'hile there is no class participation grade component, let me also point out that in every class meeting, we will have a teamased event or exercise specifically designed to prepare your team for the Team Challenge near the end of the semester. nese events and exercises, like the Team Challenge, are experiential -- just reading about them or hearing about them is not auivalent to actually going through them with your team. Additionally, one of these team-based tasks will be an nannounced "Pop Task" that will be graded. Part of your grade will be based on the assessment of your teammates regardin e quality of your participation in your team throughout the semester during these various activities.

ditionally, part of the graded component of the course will involve your entries in an individual journal stored online. The Jestions you will address in your journal typically concern your thoughts and feelings about your team as it engaged in a tas exercise during class. It is obviously difficult to complete your journal entry if you were not in class to experience the team sk yourself. Should you be forced to miss a class, please be sure to contact and interview your team members in order to ather enough information about your team's behaviours during the task or exercise that you missed so that you can answer e assigned questions for your journal entry. Assigned journal questions appear on page 9 and 10 of this course outline.

nally, you should note that attendance for our Team Challenge near the end of the semester is <u>mandatory</u>. There is no make o possible for this event. If you find you are absolutely unable to attend, please contact me and your teammates as soon as ossible.

# **GENERAL SCHULICH ACADEMIC POLICIES: GRADING, ACADEMIC HONESTY, ACCOMMODATIONS AND EXAM**

#### rading

rades at Schulich are based on a 9-value index system. The top grade is A+ (9) and the minimum passing grade is C- (1). To ep final grades comparable across courses, sections of required core courses are normally expected to have a mean grade etween 4.7 and 6.1. Elective courses are expected to have a mean grade between 5.2 and 6.2.

e Schulich School does not use a percentage scale or prescribe a standard conversion formula from percentages to letter ades. Conversions within a course are at the discretion of the instructor.

»r more details on the index, grading policy, and grade point average (GPA) requirements, consult your student handbook.

#### cademic Honesty

**:ademic honesty** is fundamental to the integrity of university education and degree programs, and applies in every course fered at Schulich. Students should familiarize themselves with York University's policy on academic honesty, which may also  $\Rightarrow$  found on Schulich website: http://schulich.yorku.ca/current-students/academic-honesty/  $\Rightarrow$  (http://schulich.yorku.ca urrent-students/academic-honesty/)

#### ccommodations

#### xams (Absence from)

#### id-term.

udents who miss a mid-term examination must contact their course instructor within 24 hours and provide the course structor with documentation substantiating the reason for the absence. A copy of the documentation must also be lbmitted to Student Services; it will be placed in the student's file.

#### nal.

ithin 24 hours of missing a final examination, students must contact the Director of Student Services at (416) 736-5060 and ust also contact their course instructor. Formal, original documentation regarding the reason for missing the exam must be ibmitted to the Director of Student Services within 48 hours of missing the final exam. Students who miss a final exam due illness must have their doctor complete an "Attending Physician's Statement." For a copy of this document, visit: :tp://www.registrar.yorku.ca/pdf/attending-physicians-statement.pdf 🗁 (http://www.registrar.yorku.ca/pdf/attendingnysicians-statement.pdf)

Please note that academic policies specific to this course may be contained in other parts of this course outline.

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MGMT6300 CREDITS: 3.00 MGMT 6300 P - CASE ANALYSIS AND PRESENTATION SKILLS

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# **BRIEF DESCRIPTION**

This course is designed to give students the opportunity to practice and develop their analytical thinking and presentation skills. The key objective of the course is to train students to successfully participate in national and international case competitions. A secondary objective is to prepare students to successfully interview for management consulting positions. Second-year MBA students who enjoy analyzing cases and delivering presentations are encouraged to take the course. Prerequisites: SB/ACTG 5100 3.00, SB/MGMT 6150 3.00, SB/MKTG 5200 3.00, SB/SUST 5200 3.00 (Prior to S23 SB/SGMT 5800 3.00; prior to W20 SB/MGMT 5260 3.0) & SB/ORGS 5100 3.00 (Corequisite: SB/SGMT 6000 3.00)

# **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

#### Strategic Thinking Skills:

Strategic thinking skills enable students to diagnose critical business challenges and reveal opportunities to create stakeholder value. These skills will become a part of the student's toolkit; empowering students in their professional career as they address key organizational problems, including, but not limited to:

- What are the goals that we want to be driving towards? What do we aspire to?
- What aspects of our business model are creating value? Destroying value?
- What factors within the external/internal environment are disrupting our business? How do we address these disruptions?
- Are we focused on the right areas (i.e. targeting the right customers, offering the right products, operating in the right geographies)?
- How do we implement this recommendation?
- Does this opportunity make sense for all stakeholders involved? Does it drive value against the triple-bottom line?

The development of these skills will drive students to be able to effectively break down problems in order to provide fact-based recommendations for the organizations they are working for/with.

#### Structured Problem-Solving Skills:

Structured problem-solving skills enable students to systematically develop logical arguments when solving complex business problems. Approaching complexity and ambiguity in a methodical manner will ensure students decompose problems into a set of drivers or elements. Students will leverage frameworks to efficiently guide the identification of key issues and potential recommendations, and aid in prioritizing actions. In this course, students will learn to approach problem solving and presentation building in a structured manner.

#### Presentation Skills:

Effective presentation skills are an important element to any career and key to communicating at all levels of any organization.

As a part of a group, students will have the opportunity to give multiple presentations throughout the course. Each presentation will develop and practice students' presentation skills in an accretive manner. At the end of each presentation the lecturers (and sometimes a guest from consulting or industry) will provide students with feedback on both the content and style of the presentation. This accretive process is designed to enhance presentation skills; specifically, how to clearly communicate a message and to succinctly present ideas to a target audience.

#### Collaboration Skills:

Students will work in groups of 4 to 7 (depending on class size). Groups will be assigned randomly for each class. This will give students exposure to working with peers with diverse backgrounds; providing opportunities to practice both teamwork and lateral leadership skills. As a result, students will learn valuable lessons about working effectively in groups.

## **COURSE MATERIAL**

The Ivey Course Kit contains **most of the the cases and assigned readings** that discuss concepts illustrated through the course. Additional cases/readings can be accessed using the links below.

#### **IVEY COURSE KIT**

These kits are available for purchase virtually. Please follow the instructions below:

1. Go to the Ivey Publishing website at www.iveypublishing.ca 🗁 (https://www.iveypublishing.ca/)

2. Log in to your existing account or click "Register" to create a new account and follow the prompts to complete the registration. If registering, choose the "Student" role.

3. Click on this link or copy into your browser: https://www.iveypublishing.ca/s/ivey-coursepack

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4. Click "Add to Cart".

5. Go to the Shopping Cart (located at the top of the page), click "Checkout", and complete the checkout process.

6. When payment has been processed successfully, an Order Confirmation will be emailed to you immediately and you will see the Order Confirmation screen.

7. Once you have completed your order, click on your username on the top right --> Orders --> Purchases

DIGITAL LEARNING EXPERIENCES: If a digital learning experience is included in your coursepack, you will be able to go directly to the course through a link on the purchased order.

IMPORTANT: Access to downloadable files will expire on the course end date, so be sure to save a copy on your computer. The downloadable file is a PDF document that can be opened using Adobe Reader. This material is for your
personal use only and is not to be shared, reproduced, or distributed in any form.

#### **OTHER COURSE MATERIALS**

Successful Human Resources Management Factors in International Mergers and Acquisitions by Rodríguez-Sánchez et al: https://www.mdpi.com/2076-3387/8/3/45

When First Movers Are Rewarded, and When They're Not: https://hbsp.harvard.edu/import/1122951 (https://hbsp.harvard.edu/import/1122951)

Explaining the Internationalization of iBusiness Firms by Brouthers et al: https://www.jstor.org/stable/43907589 (access free on JSTOR)

JSTOR has IP addresses for the campus internet on file. Therefore, if the students open JSTOR while using the university's internet on campus they should have access through the school. Students can all use the "find your institution" function. Which would allow them to log in through their school to verify access. You can search all of the institutions which are JSTOR participants here: https://www.jstor.org/institutionSearch

# ASSIGNMENT SUMMARY

Assignment   Task	Group   Individual	Total % of Final Grade	Due Date
Individual Case Hand-In 15%			
Individual Case Hand-In	Ŝ	15%	Sun Feb 11, 2024 at 11:59pm EST
Group Presentations 40%			
Group Presentations	Ø	40%	Sun Feb 11, 2024 at 11:59pm EST
Final Group Presentations 309	%		
Final Group Presentations	B	30%	Sun Mar 24, 2024 at 11:59pm EDT
Contribution to Class Discuss	ion 15%		
Contribution to Class Discussion	B	15%	Sun Mar 24, 2024 at 11:59pm EDT

# WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS: DESCRIPTIONS

# Individual Case Hand-In

**Due Date:** Sun Feb 11, 2024 at 11:59pm EST

This assignment will be written as an "email to an Executive". The purpose of this assignment will be to clearly articulate your analysis and recommendation to a stakeholder like a firm Partner, CEO, Managing Director, etc.

Each student will submit an individual word document on or before the due date. The assignment will account for 15% of the student's final course grade.

Submissions are limited to 700-1000 words typed, using 11-point Arial font with normal margins. There is no page limit for the appendix; but the content of the appendix is limited to framework diagrams and/or tables. No additional insights should be provided in the appendix.

The "email" should include:

- Executive Summary: a brief takeaway that provides the reader everything they need to know about your analysis and recommendation
- External / Internal Environmental Scan: one concise paragraph providing the value-add insights gained through the industry analysis and internal analysis
- Key Problem Statement: one concise statement identifying the fundamental strategic issue the organization in the case is facing
- Analysis: short description of the analyses you performed or would perform in order to prove or disprove the hypothesis and substantiate your recommendations
- Recommendations: a clearly articulated set of recommended actions supported by fact-based (quantitative &

qualitative) evidence

• Risks and Mitigations: briefly list some risks and for each how this will be mitigated

To be included in the appendix:

• Diagram of the structure/framework you applied to decompose the situation and prioritize the core issues

Visual's may be used within the body of the email; however, they may not contain paragraphs of information; otherwise each word included in the visual will count towards the total word count

# **Group Presentations**

🔀 Due Date: Sun Feb 11, 2024 at 11:59pm EST

The course contains multiple sessions that involve case presentations. Students will be randomly divided into groups and all groups will be assigned the same case.

For those cases released prior to the presentation day – it is strongly recommended that groups meet outside of class time to sufficiently prepare for the presentation. Each group will present in a randomly selected order. Presentations will be 10-15 minutes in length and followed by a 5- or 10-minute question/answer session. Each group member is expected to participate in the presentation. Groups are expected to email their presentation by a set deadline, which will be provided in class.

# Final Group Presentations

🔀 Due Date: Sun Mar 24, 2024 at 11:59pm EDT

Students will form groups and prepare a 20-minute presentation on the assigned case, followed by a 15-minute Q&A session. All group members must participate during the presentation and Q&A.

Groups can draw on research from outside the case but must keep within the timeframe of the case year (i.e. do not pull on anything beyond that date).

The rubric will be posted no less than 2-weeks before the presentation is due. Each group will upload their presentation by no later than the indicated time (TBD).

# Contribution to Class Discussion

🔀 Due Date: Sun Mar 24, 2024 at 11:59pm EDT

# WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS: EVALUATION

Class & Deliverable	Deliverable Description
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Individual Case Hand-In (15%)	• External / Internal Environmental Scan: one concise paragraph providing the value-add insights gained through the industry analysis and internal analysis
Class 5 Feb 11	• Key Problem Statement: one concise statement identifying the fundamental strategic issue the organization in the case is facing
	• Analysis: short description of the analyses you performed or would perform in order to prove or disprove the hypothesis and substantiate your recommendations
	• Recommendations: a clearly articulated set of recommended actions supported by fact- based (quantitative & qualitative) evidence
	$\cdot$ Risks and Mitigations: briefly list some risks and for each how this will be mitigated
	To be included in the appendix:
	• Diagram of the structure/framework you applied to decompose the situation and prioritize the core issues
	Visual's may be used within the body of the email; however, they may not contain paragraphs of information; otherwise each word included in the visual will count towards the total word count
	The course contains multiple sessions that involve case presentations. Students will be randomly divided into groups and all groups will be assigned the same case.
<b>Group</b> <b>Presentations</b> (40% total) Classes 5 to 10	For those cases released prior to the presentation day – it is strongly recommended that groups meet outside of class time to sufficiently prepare for the presentation. Each group will present in a randomly selected order. Presentations will be 10-15 minutes in length and followed by a 5- or 10-minute question/answer session. Each group member is expected to participate in the presentation. Groups are expected to email their presentation by a set deadline, which will be provided in class.

Students will form groups and prepare a 20-minute presentation on the assigned case, followed by a 15-minute Q&A session. All group members must participate during the presentation and Q&A.

Final Group Presentations (30%)	Groups can draw on research from outside the case but must keep within the timeframe of the
Class 11	case year (i.e. do not pull on anything beyond that date).
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The rubric will be posted no less than 2-weeks before the presentation is due. Each group will upload their presentation by no later than the indicated time (TBD).

# CALCULATING COURSE GRADE

The course grading scheme for Master's level courses at Schulich uses a 9-value grade-point system. The possible course letter grades for a course (and the corresponding grade points awarded for each grade are:

Grade A+ A A- B+ B B- C+ C C- F

Points 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0

The Schulich School of Business does not use a percentage scale. When faculty members award marks on a percentage basis, the instructor converts the percentages to letter grades. For example, a cumulative percentage mark of 50% does not necessarily mean that a student will pass a course.

In this class, final letter grades will be determined by the following process: A numerical grade (0-9) will be assigned for each assignment, test, presentation, etc. Each student's course grade will be calculated using a weighted average of the numerical grades and the weights for each deliverable above.

# **CLASS-BY-CLASS SYLLABUS**

# Class 1 - Introduction

 Jan 14/24
 Overview: Class 1

 Assigned Reading:
 Learning by the Case Method by John S. Hammond

What Is Strategy? By Michael E. Porter

# Class 2 - Presentation Skills

 Jan 14/24
 Overview: Class 2

 Assigned Reading:
 Designing and Delivering the Perfect Pitch by Angelo Santinelli and Candida Brush

Working with Multicultural Groups and Teams by David C. Thomas and Kerr C. Inkson

# Class 3 - Case Analysis Part 1

#### Overview: Class 3 Jan 28/24

Case Reading: Disney: Delivering More Content in More Ways

Assigned Reading:

- The Five Forces: Competing for Profits "Understanding Michael Porter's Best-Known Framework" by Joan Magretta
- A Porter Glossary: Key Concepts "A Michael Porter Lexicon" by Joan Magretta

# Class 4 - Case Analysis Part 2

Jan 28/24

Overview: Class 4

Case Reading: Cowbell Brewing Co.: Building a Destination Brewery

### **Assigned Reading:**

The Hard Truth About Business Model Innovation by Christensen et al

# Class 5 - Practical: 3-hour Case Prep

Feb 11/24 Overview: Class 5 Case Reading: Case to be released at 9am

Assigned Reading:

• Managing Brands for the Long Run: Effective Brand Reinforcement and Revitalization Strategies by Kevin Lane Keller

Individual Case

Hand-In due at or before 9:00 AM EST

# Class 6 - Practical: Group Presentations

Feb 11/24

Overview: Class 6

Group Presentation #1

(presentation of 3-hour format case from morning)

# Class 7 - Case Analysis & Presentation: Recalibration

Feb 25/24

Overview: Class 7

Case Reading: Audi A8: The World's First Level 3 Autonomous Vehicle

### **Assigned Reading:**

When First Movers Are Rewarded, and When They're Not: https://hbr.org/2015/08/when-first-movers-are-rewarded-and-whentheyre-not 
(https://hbr.org/2015/08/when-first-movers-are-rewarded-andwhen-theyre-not)

# Class 8 - Practical: Group Presentations



Group Presentation # 2

(preparation to be done outside of class time)

# Class 9 - Practical: 3-hour Case Prep

Mar 10/24

Overview: Class 9

Case Reading: Case to be released at 9am Assigned Reading: • Blue Ocean Strategy by Chan Kim and Renee A. Mauborgne

# Class 10 - Practical: Group Presentations

Mar 10/24 Overview: Class 10 Group Presentation # 3 (presentation of 3-hour format case from morning)

# Class 11 - Final Group Presentations



# Class 12 - Wrap Up

Mar 24/24

Overview: Class 12 Review, Course Evaluations, and Feedback

# STUDENT PREPARATION FOR CLASS AND CLASS PARTICIPATION: EXPECTATIONS

# Preparation

The course comprises of a set of initial lectures that will introduce approaches, analytical frameworks, and methods that will enable students to solve business cases and develop presentations in an accretive manner.

Subsequently, the remaining classes will revolve around the solving and presenting of course cases, where groups will be asked to present their analysis of the situation and their recommendations, supported by fact-based rationale. The course cases will take on various formats, including:

- **3-hour format**: 2 Cases will be released to students at the beginning of the class (on the morning of the Sunday), simulating a competitive case competition environment. A presentation-ready slide deck would then be submitted by the end of the 3-hour class. These decks will then be presented in the afternoon session that follows. Punctual attendance at these sessions is an absolute imperative.
- **Prepared format:** 2 cases (including the final) will be released early for students, and limited in-class time will be allotted for preparation. As such, it is crucial to be diligent in the pre-class preparation. It is strongly recommended that groups meet outside of class time to sufficiently prepare for the presentation. Given that there may be external practitioners attending the course throughout the term to provide topical industry insights, students will be held to a high standard as they represent both themselves and the Schulich School of Business.

*Preparation.* This course is an advanced Masters-level elective course and therefore students will be accountable for coming to each lecture completely prepared. Prior to each class, students are expected to read the assigned readings.

### Class Participation (contribution).

# In every class, the quality and quantity of students' verbal remarks will be evaluated. Contribution is attributed as follows:

- A+ (9) Superior Contribution. The student demonstrates superior participation by not only comprehending the material, but by also bringing their own level of reflection/thoughts/work experience to the conversation. It is evident that the student displays leadership qualities by incorporating thought-provoking discussion, including opinions of other classmates as well. Students participating at this level are enriching the classroom experience.
- A- to A (7 to 8) Substantial Contribution. The student will regularly participate in class discussions, demonstrating that they have read and understood the course material and are actively seeking to be engaged in the discussion with considerable effectiveness. It is important to note that the student demonstrates a high level of EQ by not over-participating (dominating) discussions and is respectful of classmate opinions.
- B- to B+ (4 to 6) Considerable Contribution. The student will regularly participate, demonstrating that they are engaged and understanding of the topic at a very high level. However, it is evident that the student did not prepare for the lecture (i.e. did not complete the case reading and/or supplementary readings).
- C- to C+ (1 to 3) Minimal Contribution. The student attends lecture and is awake/attentive most of the time. However, the student is falling well below the standard with limited effectiveness. The student must work at

significantly improving his or her participation if they are to be successful in the course. Students will respond to cold calls but, does not engage beyond that.

• F (0) - Absent. The student did not attend lecture.

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# Schulich School of Business Memorandum

To: Faculty Council, Schulich School of BusinessFrom: Lilian Ng, Scotiabank Chair in International Finance and Pauline Shum Nolan, AC (Finance)Date: January 17, 2024

Re: Financial Management Stream within the Finance Specialization

Motions:

- 1. To include FINE 6880 (Sustainable Finance & Impact Investing) as an elective course within the Financial Management stream.
- 2. To remove FINE6150 (Advanced Corporate Finance) as a required course for the Financial Management stream.

Rationale:

- 1. Lilian Ng: FINE6880, focusing on sustainable finance and impact investing, is a vital and timely addition to the curriculum, aligning with the evolving finance industry. It gives students essential insights into responsible investing and equips them with the necessary skills for this burgeoning field.
- 2. Pauline Shum Nolan: this course has persistent low enrolments and will be removed from our course offerings in 2024/25.



# Specialization/Stream Change Proposal Form Schulich School of Business

The following information is required for all specialization/stream proposals. To facilitate the review/approval process, please use the headings below (and omit the italicized explanations below each heading). Provide evidence of consultation, where appropriate.

# 1. Responsible Program:

Schulich MBA Program

# 2. Responsible Unit:

FINE

# 3. Type of Specialization/Stream Change(s) (indicate all that apply):

Х	changes to list of required credits
Х	changes to list of required courses (MF stream within the Finance specialization)
Х	changes to list of elective courses (MF stream within the Finance specialization)
	retire specialization/stream
	other (please specify)

# 4. Effective Term/Calendar Year of Proposed Change(s):

Summer 2024

# 5. Rationale for Change:

Please indicate how the proposed change will contribute to the academic objectives of the specialization/stream. Please provide a description of the amended learning outcomes/objectives for the specialization/stream, if applicable.

- 1. Removal of FINE6150 Advanced Corporate Finance this course is being removed from our course offerings due to persistent low enrolments. Hence, it can no longer be on the required list for the Financial Management stream within the Finance specialization.
- 2. Addition of FINE6880 Sustainable Finance and Impact Investing to the list of recommended electives for the Financial Management stream within the Finance specialization. FINE6880 is a vital and timely addition to the Financial Management curriculum, aligning with the evolving finance industry. It gives students essential insights into responsible investing and equips them with the necessary skills for decision making in this burgeoning field.



# 6. Proposed Specialization/Stream Information:

Please insert the current, approved specialization/stream information as it appears in the handbook on the left, and proposed specialization/stream information on the right. Please clearly and visibly indicate the changes using strikethrough (left column), bold,

Existing Specialization/Stream	Proposed Specialization/Stream
Information (Change From):	Information (Change To):
<ul> <li>Financial Management Stream</li> <li>Students must complete 12.00 credits total, consisting of: <ul> <li>6.00 credits of Required Courses</li> <li>6.00 credits of Elective Courses</li> </ul> </li> <li>Required Courses <ul> <li>FINE 6100 3.00 FINANCIAL</li> <li>MANAGEMENT</li> </ul> </li> <li>FINE 6150 3.00 ADVANCED CORPORATE FINANCE</li> </ul> <li>Elective Courses (Financial Management Stream) <ul> <li>FINE 6200 3.00 INVESTMENTS</li> <li>FINE 6400 3.00 MANAGING RISKS IN A CHANGING GLOBAL ENVIRONMENT</li> <li>FINE 6600 3.00 CORPORATE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS</li> </ul> </li>	<ul> <li>Financial Management Stream</li> <li>Students must complete 12.00 credits total, consisting of: <ul> <li>6.00 credits of Required Courses</li> <li>3.00 credits of Required Courses</li> <li>6.00 credits of Elective Courses</li> <li>9.00 credits of Elective Courses</li> </ul> </li> <li>Particle Stream</li> <li>FINE 6100 3.00 FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT</li> <li>Elective Courses (Financial Management Stream)</li> <li>FINE 6200 3.00 INVESTMENTS</li> <li>FINE 6400 3.00 MANAGING RISKS IN A CHANGING GLOBAL ENVIRONMENT</li> <li>FINE 6600 3.00 CORPORATE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS</li> <li>FINE 6880 3.00: Sustainable Finance &amp; Impact Investing</li> </ul>

underlining, colours, etc. (right column).

### 7. Consultation:

For changes that include deletions or additions of courses across areas please provide evidence that appropriate consultation has taken place.

N/A (does not affect other Areas)

**Originator:** 

Signature

January 24, 2024

Date

Lilian Ng and Pauline Shum Nolan Name

Finance Area or Specialization



# **Approvals:**

# Area or Specialization

I have reviewed this change form and I support the proposed changes to the course.

Signature

January 24, 2024 Date

**Pauline Shum Nolan** Name

Finance Area or Specialization

# **Degree Program:**

I have reviewed this change form and I support the proposed changes to the course.

Mike Valente	January 25, 2024
Signature	Date

Mike Valente Name of Program Director

Program

MBA

# **Program Committee:**

This course change has received the approval of the relevant Program Committee.

Kevin Tasa

Signature

February 15, 2024

Date

Kevin Tasa

Name of Committee Chair

MPC

Committee



### **Course Outline**

Winter 2024 Section F: Thursday 11:30 AM--2:30 PM Room W133

#### Instructor

Dr Lilian Ng N223 - Seymour Schulich Building <u>SFII.FINE@gmail.com</u> (strictly for this class) Office hours: By appointment

#### Assistant

Kaltum Osman N204B SSB 416.736.2100 Ext. 55073 kosman@schulich.yorku.ca

Professor Ng is Professor of Finance and holds the Scotiabank Chair in International Finance. Before joining the Schulich School of Business, she held permanent positions at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, University of Texas-Austin, and City University of Hong Kong, and visiting positions at the University of Southern California, University of California-Irvine, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, National University of Singapore, and Nanyang Technological University. Her research interests are in ESG, global supply chains, international financial markets, and institutional trading behavior. She has won several best research paper awards at national and international conferences, including the 2019 Moskowitz Prize in Sustainable Finance (the Premier Global Prize for Research in Sustainable Finance). Some of her works are featured in the New York Times, Smart Money Magazine, the Straits Times (Singapore), Business Times (Singapore), Forbes.Com, United Nations PRI's Blog, and Columbia Law School's Blog on Corporations and the Capital Markets. She serves on the esteemed cohort of judges for the Moskowitz Prize (an initiative of the Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Management) and for the 2021 teaching recognition award for overall excellence in sustainable finance education (jointly awarded by the Financial Times and the Impact and Sustainable Finance Faculty Consortium).

#### **Course Description**

Sustainable finance has become one of the predominant trends in global capital markets. By the end of 2021, professionally managed sustainable investment strategies encompassed approximately a third (US\$37.8 trillion)<sup>1</sup> of all total global assets under management. This course offers a comprehensive view of the global sustainable finance landscape, its various forms, and how key financial stakeholders—like institutional investors, asset managers, and corporations—can utilize capital and create value using Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) criteria. It explores the sustainability challenges and shows how finance can tackle these through sustainable investment approaches. Unlike traditional finance, which solely emphasizes financial return and risk, sustainable finance incorporates ESG considerations to ensure funds are allocated effectively. Through this course, students will grasp the core principles of sustainable and responsible decision-making in finance, learn guidelines for their application in business and investment, and understand how both regulations and market dynamics incentivize proper corporate and investor actions.

The course is structured into two distinct parts. In the first half of the term, students will explore a variety of financing tools related to impact investing. Working in teams, students will propose an innovative

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://www.schroders.com/en/insights/economics/outlook-2022-sustainable-investment/

financing solution to tackle a pressing social or environmental issue. In the second half, the focus shifts to corporate responsibility strategies, which will be examined by applying primarily Harvard Business School case studies.

#### Corequisite: FINE5200 3.0, or MFIN5100 3.0, or instructor's permission.

#### **Course Learning Outcomes**

- Understand the Background and Evolution of Sustainable Finance: Develop a thorough understanding of the context behind, and development, of sustainable finance.
- **Recognize the Roles of Stakeholders:** Gain an understanding of the role and interplay between different stakeholders and opportunities for future development.
- Apply Sustainable Finance Solutions to Real-World Scenarios: Cultivate a mindset that creatively, thoughtfully, and critically uses sustainable finance products in specific situations or case studies.
- Assess Financial Implications of Corporate Sustainability: Determine both the risks and the opportunities that sustainability presents from a financial perspective.
- Familiarize with Responsible Investment Strategies: Understand sustainable responsible investment strategies across various asset classes.
- Incorporate Impact Data into Planning: Understand how impact information is incorporated into strategy.

Assignment/Task	% Weight	Total
Individual Assignments		50
(1) Class Participation	10	
(2) Three Quizzes	15	
(3) Two Case Analyses/presentations	20	
(4) Personal Bio	5	
Team Assignments and presentations		
(1) Team project/Case Competition		50
Slide deck	20	
Presentation	20	
Peer evaluation	10	
		100%
Team Extra bonus (Finalist in Competition)	5	

### Deliverables at a Glance

#### **Course Materials**

#### Recommended

Edmans, A., 2020. Grow the pie: How great companies deliver both purpose and profit. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. (Edmans)

Godeke, S. and Briaud, P., 2020. Impact Investing Handbook, Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors, Available Free Online. (IIH)

Krosinsky, C. and Purdom, S., 2017. *Sustainable Investing: Revolutions in Theory and Practice*, Routledge (KP)

OECD (2020), OECD Business and Finance Outlook 2020: Sustainable and Resilient Finance, OECD Publishing, Paris, (<u>OECD</u>)

Tobin, J. and Mitchell, A.W., 2021. The Little Book of Investing in Nature. Available Free Online. (TM)

Instructor's slide decks posted on Canvas.

Additional timely Instructor's slide decks and readings will be added to the course on CANVAS.

#### Deliverables

#### **CLASS PARTICIPATION (10%)**

Active class participation makes our time together more enjoyable and more productive. Participation includes class attendance, arriving in class on time and staying for the class duration, and active discussions in class. Students are expected to show critical thinking, respectful interactions with classmates, a positive attitude towards learning and freely discuss the proposed topics. Extra weight will be given to contributions during classmates' presentations and evaluating the work of other classmates and their groups. For example, are the points made relevant to the discussion? Does your contribution further the class's understanding of the issues?

#### ASSIGNMENTS

### 1. Personal Bio (Value: 5%)

The bio should include a summary of your academic and professional background, your career aspirations, and a brief statement on why you chose to enroll in this course.

#### 2. Case Studies (Value: 20%)

Prepare a slide-style response to the problem(s) posed in each case study.

#### 3. The Kellogg-Morgan Stanley Sustainable Investing Challenge (Value: 50%)

A team project will involve participating in the Kellogg-Morgan Stanley Sustainable Investing Challenge (Kellogg). This Challenge plays a pivotal role in this course. It immerses students in real-world scenarios, allowing them to apply theoretical concepts to practical challenges and bridge the divide between classroom instruction and real-world experiences. These competitions emphasize teamwork, honing students' collaborative abilities, delegation skills, and group management. Students also cultivate efficient time management and prioritization skills given the time constraints. Moreover, presenting their findings sharpens their articulation, presentation design, and question-handling competencies.

More details will be provided in class. Teams should consist of no more than four students. Each team will prepare a prospectus as required by the competition. If your team advances to the final round, you will submit a final proposal and then deliver a 15-minute presentation to a panel of judges from the Kellogg School of Management and Morgan Stanley. Teams reaching the final round will receive an extra five bonus points.

#### **EVALUATION OF YOUR WORK**

Treat each assignment as a practical test demonstrating what you've absorbed from the course. I strive to communicate my expectations for each assignment and ensure that grading is fair and impartial. If you believe there's an oversight in how your work was graded, you have a week from when the assignment is returned to request a re-evaluation via email formally. In your message, please provide a detailed explanation for why you believe a re-assessment is necessary. Note that the grade could either increase, remain unchanged, or decrease upon re-evaluation. The grade will be deemed final if I don't receive a re-evaluation request within this one-week window.

#### **Classroom Policies**

- Active Participation: This subject matter is ever-evolving, making in-class discussions a cornerstone of our learning. Ensure you finish the reading assignments before each class and arrive on time, ready to start. If you must miss class for any reason, please e-mail me prior to the start of class.
- Absences: Emergencies can arise. I understand. If you foresee missing a class, please notify me in advance. Remember, you must catch up on readings and obtain notes from a fellow student.
- Assignment Deadlines: Ensure you submit assignments as per the timelines provided in the course outline. There's a penalty for late submissions: a decrease by half a grade for each day delayed, unless stated otherwise.
- Device Etiquette: To maintain a focused learning environment, avoid using cell phones and other noncourse-related electronic devices during class.

### Feedback

Your input throughout this course is invaluable. To assess the course's progress, I'll conduct a mid-term review. Should you encounter any concerns or issues at any point, please don't hesitate to contact me at <a href="mailto:lng.sfii@gmail.com">lng.sfii@gmail.com</a>. I'm committed to assisting you in any way I can. Also, as the course concludes, you will be able to give a confidential review. Your feedback not only helps improve the current course but also influences its structure in upcoming semesters. Your efforts to enhance this course are truly appreciated.

#### General Academic Policies: Grading, Academic Honesty, and Accommodations

*Grades* at Schulich are based on a 9-value index system. The top grade is A+ (9) and the minimum passing grade is C- (1). To keep final grades comparable, sections of Masters-level electives are normally expected to have a mean grade point between 5.2 and 6.2.

Academic honesty is fundamental to the integrity of university education and degree programs and applies in every course offered at Schulich. Students should familiarize themselves with York University's policy

on academic honesty, which may be found in the Student Handbook and on the Student Services & International Relations website: <u>http://schulich.yorku.ca/current-students/academic-honesty/</u>

### Accommodations

For accommodations sought due to exam conflicts, religious reasons, unavoidable absences or disabilities, please refer to the Student Handbook or contact Student Services. For counseling and disability services, contact Student Services.

#### Absence from Quizzes (This course has quizzes but no midterm and final exam).

*Quizzes.* Students who miss a quiz must contact their course instructor within 24 hours and provide the course instructor with documentation substantiating the reason for the absence. A copy of the documentation must also be submitted to Student Services; it will be placed in the student's file.

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Class Number and Topic	Optional Reading list	
<ul> <li>January 11, 2024</li> <li>What is sustainable finance?</li> <li>Purpose and limits of sustainable finance</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Slide Deck Introduction</li> <li>Edmans Chapters 1-2</li> <li>UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDG)</li> <li>Climate Action Tracker-Dec 2023 Update (Temp)</li> <li>UN: The Sustainable Development Goals Report (UN-SDG2023)</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>January 18, 2024</li> <li>Definitions of impact investing</li> <li>Origins of impact investing</li> <li>Theories of change – what are impact investors trying to do differently?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>UN: The Sustainable Development Goals Report (<u>UN-SDG2023</u>)</li> <li>Slide Deck – Impact Investing I</li> <li>Morningstar's Global Sustainable Fund Flows: Q3 2023 in Review (<u>Morningstar</u>)</li> <li>BlackRock Global Impact Report 2022/2023 (<u>BlackRock</u>)</li> <li>2023 Global Impact Investing Network (<u>2023GIIN</u>)</li> <li>Godeke, S., and Briaud, P., 2020. Impact Investing Handbook: A Guide for Practitioners, Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors. Introduction and Chapters 1 and 4</li> <li>Case Competition Preparation – Review past winners' financial solutions to social and environmental problems.</li> </ul>	

### Summary of Classes, Activities and Deliverables

Class Number and Topic	Optional Reading list
	• THE KMS CHALLENGE: REGISTRATION DUE JAN 21, 2024
January 25, 2024 ■ What impacts do investors seek?	<ul> <li>Slide Deck – Impact Investing II</li> <li>Case Competition Preparation – Review past winners' financial solutions to social and environmental problems.</li> <li>Team to submit a proposed financial solution.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>February 1, 2024</li> <li>Impact Measurement</li> <li>Is there a positive or negative relationship between financial and impact performance?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Slide Deck: Impact Measurement</li> <li>Mudaliar, A. and Bass, R., 2017. "GIIN Perspectives: Evidence on the Financial Performance of Impact Investments (GIIN17)</li> <li>Godeke, S., and Briaud, P., 2020. Impact Investing Handbook: A Guide for Practitioners, Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors. Introduction and Chapters 5 and 6</li> <li>Jackson, E.T., 2013. "Interrogating the Theory of Change: Evaluating Impact Investing Where it Matters Most." Journal of Sustainable Finance &amp; Investment 3 (2): 95–110. (JSFI)</li> </ul>
February 8, 2024 Green Bonds and Social Impact Bonds Climate change and finance implications	<ul> <li>Slide Deck: Green and Social Bonds</li> <li>OECD 2020, Chapter 2, Making sense of the environmental pillar in ESG investing.</li> <li>Flammer, C., 2020. "Corporate Green Bonds", <i>Journal of Financial</i> <i>Economics</i>, Forthcoming. (Flammer)</li> <li>Hodgson, P., 2020. "The New Wave of US ESG Investing: Case Studies in Impact – Prison Education and Herbal Teas," (Hodgson)</li> <li>KP Chapters 4-7, 12</li> <li>Preparation for the Challenge – Review past winners' financial solutions to social and environmental problems.</li> </ul>
February 15, 2024	<ul> <li>Team Presentation &amp; Prospectus Due</li> <li>THE KELLOGG-MS CHALLENGE: PROSPECTUS DUE FEB 18, 2024</li> </ul>
February 22, 202 <mark>4</mark>	Reading Week
<ul> <li>February 29, 2024</li> <li>Socially Responsible</li> <li>Investing</li> <li>Asset management perspective</li> <li>Typology of sustainable investing strategies</li> <li>Sustainable finance in public and private markets</li> <li>Sustainable finance funds</li> <li>Sustainable Finance</li> <li>Strategies: Markets and Instruments</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Slide Deck: SRI</li> <li>Edmans Chapter 5</li> <li>Principles for Responsible Investment, "A Practical Guide to ESG Integration for Equity", 2016. (PRI-Guide)</li> <li>IIRC Institute and Sustainalytics, "How Investors Integrate ESG: A Typology of Approaches", April 2017. (IIRC)</li> <li>Handbook on Responsible Investment Across Asset Classes, Boston College Center for Corporate Citizenship (BC Handbook)</li> <li>Atta-Darkua, V., Chambers, D., Dimson, E., Ran, Z., and Yu, T., 2020, "Strategies for Responsible Investing: Emerging Academic Evidence", The Journal of Portfolio Management, Ethical Investing, p. 26-35.</li> <li>GSIA (2020) Global Sustainable Investment Review 2020.</li> </ul>

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Class Number and Topic	Optional Reading list
March 7, 2024 Shareholder Activism and Engagement Stewardship through engagement and monitoring	<ul> <li>Slide Deck: Shareholder Activism</li> <li>Edmans: Chapters 6 and 9</li> <li>Eccles, R., Mooji, S., and Stroehle, J., 2021. "Four Strategies for Effective Engagement." (EMS)</li> <li>Behar, A., 2021. "A Response: Four Strategies for Effective Engagement." (Behar)</li> <li>International Corporate Governance Network Global Stewardship Principles (ICGN)</li> <li>Naaraayanan, L., 2021. "Activist shareholders must push for environmental change" (Activist)</li> <li>KP Chapter 8</li> <li>Quiz 1</li> </ul>
March 14, 2024 Financial Inclusion	<ul> <li>Slide Deck: Financial Inclusion</li> <li>Sherry, R., 2020. "Towards Inclusive Societies – Impact Investing and Financial Inclusion," (Sherry)*</li> <li>Assignment: Massachusetts Pay-for-Success Contracts: Reducing Juvenile and Young Adult Recidivism (HBR: 9-514-061)</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>March 21, 2024</li> <li>Corporate Purpose</li> <li>Stakeholderism vs. Shareholderism</li> <li>Doing Good While Doing Well</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Slide Deck: Corporate Purpose</li> <li>Edmans Chapters 3-4</li> <li>Friedman, Milton. (1970, September). The Social Responsibility of Business is to Increase its Profits. <i>The New York Times Magazine</i>. (NYT)</li> <li>Fink, Laurence D. (2018, January 17). <i>Larry Fink's Annual Letter to</i> <i>CEOs: A Sense of Purpose</i>. (Purpose) (Letter)</li> <li>Fancy, T., 2021. "Free Markets and ESG Investing Won't Fix the Climate Crisis" (Forbes)</li> <li>Clark, G. Feiner, A., and Viehs, M., 2015. "From the Stockholder to the Stakeholder: How Sustainability Can Drive Financial Outperformance," University of Oxford and Arabesque Partners. (CFV)</li> <li>"Warren Buffett on Why Companies Cannot be Moral Arbiters." Financial Times, December 29, 2019. (Buffett)</li> <li>Mark Carney, How We Get What We Value: Lecture 1: From Moral to Market Sentiments, The Reith Lectures (BBC), December 2, 2020. (Carney Podcast)</li> <li>Hart, O., and Zingales, L., 2017. "Companies Should Maximize Shareholder Welfare Not Market Value," <i>Journal of Law, Finance, and Accounting</i>. 247–274. (HZ)</li> <li>KP Chapter 15</li> <li>Quiz 2</li> </ul>
March 28, 2024 ESG Measurements and Ratings	<ul> <li>Slide Deck: ESG Ratings</li> <li>Purcell, K., 2020. "ESG Data Isn't Telling the Right Story." (Purcell)</li> </ul>

Class Number and Topic Optional Reading list	
<ul> <li>ESG ratings and their limitations</li> <li>The governance of sustainability</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Mair, V., 2021, "IOSCO asks whether ESG ratings and data providers should be regulated." (Mair)</li> <li>Berg, F., Koelbel, J.F., and Rigobon, R., 2022. "Aggregate Confusion: The Divergence of ESG Ratings". <i>Review of Finance</i> 26 (6), 1315–1344. (BKR)</li> <li>Pucker, K.P., 2021. "Overselling Sustainability Reporting." (Pucker)</li> <li>de Franco, C., 2020. "ESG Controversies and Their Impact on Performance." <i>The Journal of Investing.</i></li> <li>MacMahon, S., 2020. "The Challenge of Rating ESG Rating Performance."</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>April 4, 2024</li> <li>Sustainable Reporting</li> <li>Sustainability accounting: standards and metrics</li> <li>Sustainability reporting; integrated reporting.</li> <li>Course overview</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Slide Deck: Sustainable Reporting</li> <li>Climate Disclosures Standards Board and Sustainability Accounting Standards Board, "TCFD Implementation Guide: Using SASB Standards and the CDSB Framework to Enhance Climate- Related Financial Disclosures in Mainstream Reporting", 2019. (Guide)</li> <li>Lubin, D. A., &amp; Esty, D. C., 2014. Bridging the sustainability gap. <i>MIT Sloan Management Review</i>, 55(4), 18. (S-Gap)</li> <li>Sustainability Accounting Standards Board (SASB) materiality map. (SASB)</li> <li>Course Overview</li> <li>Assignment: Root Capital and the Efficient Impact Frontier (HBR: 9218-084)</li> <li>Quiz 3</li> </ul>

# Schulich School of Business Memorandum

To: Faculty Council, Schulich School of Business
From: Grant Packard, Associate Professor of Marketing and MMKG Program Director
Date: February 8, 2024
Re: Minor course change proposal to MKTG 6000 Field Project

Motion:

That Faculty Council approves the changes to the course description and add a learning outcome to MKTG 6000 Field Project course.

Rationale:

As background, major program changes approved for the Master of Marketing program in 2023 included a change from a two-term field project that included MKTG 6000 Field Project 1: Strategy and MKTG 6001 Field Project 2: Implementation. We eliminated the second term implementation course (MKTG 6001), and updated the title of the remaining MKTG 6000 course (from "MKTG 6000 Field Project 1: Strategy" to "MKTG 6000 Field Project") to reflect that it is no longer a two-term field project.

The present minor course change proposal requests two additional minor updates to MKTG 6000-

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Second, the course instructor and program director wish to add one new learning outcome to the course ("project management skills"). This learning outcome was already incorporated in the course's content due to the course's fundamental nature as an experiential consulting project, but was not explicitly noted in course learning outcomes.



# Course Change Proposal Form Schulich School of Business

- **1. Responsible Program:** Schulich Master of Marketing (MMKG) Program
- 2. Responsible Unit: *MKTG*
- **3. Subject Code (Rubric) and Course Number:** *MKTG 6000*
- **4. Credit Value:** 3.00
- 5. Long Course Title: MKTG 6000 Field Project

# 6. Short Course Title:

MKTG 6000 Field Project

# 7. Type of Course Change(s) (indicate all that apply):

	in course number
	in credit value (provide course outline)
	in course title (provide course outline; short course titles may be a maximum of 40 characters, including punctuation and spaces)
Х	in course description (provide course outline; short course descriptions may be a maximum of 60 words, written in present tense)
Х	in learning objectives/outcomes (please append the program's existing learning outcomes as a separate document)
	in integration (please provide statement of approval from relevant undergraduate coordinator or Chair)
	in cross-listing (please provide statement of approval from other program)
	in pre/co-requisite
	retire course
	other (please specify)

# 8. Effective Term/Calendar Year of Proposed Change(s):

Summer 2025

# 9. Rationale:

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# (Red and struck through indicates removal; Green indicates addition)

Existing Course Information (Change From):	Proposed Course Information (Change To):		
<b>Title</b>	<b>Title</b>		
MKTG 6000 Field Project	MKTG 6000 Field Project		
Course Description	Course Description		
In this course, students work with an	This is an experiential learning course that		
assigned client to clearly establish	has student teams integrate and apply		
outcomes for the client and to develop the	marketing concepts studied in the first two		
most effective and efficient means by	terms of the MMKG program to develop		
which to attain these outcomes. The course	and communicate actionable		
is intended to develop analytical skills,	recommendations for a real client		
presentation skills, and an ability to work	organization.		
in time-sensitive environments.	Course Learning Outcomes		
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- 3. **Develop Strategic Thinking Skills**: In this course, you will learn to (a) identify marketing challenges, (b) analyze the company and its external environment to establish the root cause(s) of these marketing challenges, (c) develop alternative approaches to resolving the challenges, (d) evaluate these alternative approaches to land on a recommended approach, and (e) articulate the steps that need to be implemented – and the sequence in which they are to be implemented – in order to comprehensively address these challenges.
- 4. **Develop Strategic Story-telling Skills:** Whereas strategic thinking leads to the development of a strategy, this strategy has to be sold internally in order for the organization to become aligned with your recommended approach. In this course, you will learn how to develop a compelling presentation that will enable you to convey your strategy in an effective and efficient manner to your audiences.

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	compelling presentation, you will also		has to be sold internally in order for the
	enhance your presentation skills. Over		organization to become aligned with
	the term, you will make numerous		your recommended approach. In this
	presentations both individually and as		course, you will learn how to develop a
	part of a team. The intent is to create a		compelling presentation that will
	sense of comfort in the task of		enable you to convey your strategy in
	presenting your ideas to live audiences.		an effective and efficient manner to
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			part of a team. The intent is to create a
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### **11. Enrolment Notes:**

This course is limited to MMKG students. It is one of two capstone courses offered in the third and final term of the updated program beginning in the 2024/25 academic year.

### **12. Consultation:**

For changes in integrations and cross-listings, as well as changes to courses that are integrated and/or cross-listed, please provide evidence that appropriate consultation has taken place.

# **Originator:**

Signature

December 19, 2023 Date

Grant Packard Name Marketing Area or Specialization



# **Approvals:**

### Area or Specialization

I have reviewed this change form and I support the proposed changes to the course.

Steve Pulver Principal MMKG Field Project Course Instructor David Rice Associate Professor, Marketing and Marketing Area Coordinator

### **Degree Program:**

I have reviewed this change form and I support the proposed changes to the course.

Support obtained via email.

Support obtained via email.

Ashley Konson

Adjunct Professor, Marketing and Associate Program Director, MMKG

Ashwin Joshi

Associate Professor, Marketing and Associate Dean, Programs

### **Other:**

I have reviewed this change form and I support the proposed changes to the course.

Support obtained via email.

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Associate Director, Head of the Office of **Professional Development and Experiential Education** 

### **Program Committee:**

This course change has received the approval of the relevant Program Committee.

Kevin Tasa

February 15, 2024

Signature

Date

Kevin Tasa Name of Committee Chair Master Programs Committee Committee

# **MKTG 6000 Field Project**

Course Outline Summer 2025

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#### **Steve Pulver**

Steve has been an entrepreneur for more than 30 years, and has started, bought and sold a number of businesses. Steve brings this practical experience, and his Schulich MBA to MKTG 6000, The Master of Marketing Field Project, making the course relevant and meaningful to students.

Steve's experience is in marketing and advertising consumer goods with Procter & Gamble, CBS Records, his own firm, Echo Advertising, and a number of other organizations including Mill Street Brewery. Of note, Steve funded his MBA by writing and performing stand-up comedy across North America. His perspective reflects these varied experiences.

#### **Office Hours**

I will be on campus regularly during the semester. Please email me to set up a meeting, either in person , or on zoom

#### **Brief Course Description**

This is an experiential learning course that has students integrate and apply marketing concepts studied in the first two terms of the MMKG program to develop and communicate actionable recommendations for a real client organization.

#### Prerequisites

The course is restricted to students enrolled in the MMKG program.



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#### **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES – Marketing Field Project**

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In short, you will further develop your research skills by advancing hypotheses and testing them using marketplace and company data.

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#### **Deliverables at a Glance**

In the table below, the impact of each task on your final grade for the course is indicated in the "% weight" column. Details shown below.

Assignment	Deadline/ Due Date	Quantity	% Weight	%Total	Author
Complete field project self assessment survey	January 2025	1	0%	n/a	Individual
Research Ethics Certificate	March 2025	1	0%	n/a	Individual
Statement of Work	April 2025	1	Mandatory but not graded	n/a	Group
Attendance at Class sessions	Summer term Weeks 1-3	3	0%	n/a	Individual
Project Plan Meeting & Presentation Project Plan Meeting Summary	Summer term Week 4	1	20% 5%	20% 5%	Team
Status Meeting & Presentation Status Meeting Summary	Summer term Week 8	1	10% 5%	10% 5%	Team
Final Report & Presentation Final Meeting Summary	Summer term Week 12	1	35% 5%	35% 5%	Team
Reflective Journal	Summer term Week 12	1	20%	20%	Individual
				100%	

### **Course Material**

There is material that is required reading and viewing for each of our 3 lecture sessions In order to make the material as economical as possible we have done 3 things:

- Created a course pack containing the course material that isn't available on line. This is available for purchase via the York U bookstore (Course Kit)
- identified material available via a library search (library search)
- Provided any other material via a web search (WS). Please note some of these links are unstable and may change, so please try a couple of searches before you contact the instructor if you can't find it

Additionally, you will find information required for this course on Canvas. Check it frequently.

### **Expectations of Students in the Course**

*Class Attendance:* This course has 3 formal classroom sessions. You are expected to attend each session as the material presented in it is fundamental to your successfully completing the Marketing Field Project. Additionally, each student is expected to attend and participate in the 3 milestone meetings throughout the project

*Initiative and Communication:* Because this course has few scheduled classes, it is critical that each team manages its workload and takes initiative to develop and complete each phase of the project with excellence. Providing excellent reports to the client not only enhances Schulich's reputation amongst the employer community, but also increases your learning and career prospects.

To help you learn how to manage a complex project with many moving parts, you will be required to provide a comprehensive meeting summary within 48 hours of the meeting. The summary should cover:

- what was agreed upon in the meeting
- what the next steps are, when they will be delivered, and who is responsible for delivering each step. Please note, your meeting summaries are graded

We will go over these details in more depth at our Project Management session on TBD

While there are only three formal assessment points for your progress, you are encouraged to make an appointment to speak with your instructor if you are facing any challenges with data collection, your client, your analysis, or the working relationships within your group.

*Milestone Meetings.* You will present your Project Plan, Status Report, and Final Report to your instructor as a team on the dates assigned to your group.

Since our 2025 cohort is large, some groups may be asked to meet outside of regular class hours. We will schedule these meetings, if necessary, at a mutually convenient time.

Additionally, you are required to present the project plan and final report to your client. You must also submit proof of those presentations to your instructor via an email cc'ing your client, and all the members of your group. Different team members must lead each presentation. This means that, since there are 3 meetings and 5 or 6 people per group, everyone in the group must present at least once.

Please indicate who will be presenting each report on the cover page of each report's submission

*Important note* This doesn't mean you should divide each milestone meeting presentation into 6 mini sections, 1 presented by each member for each presentation. Look at all the presentations you need to make throughout the term and divide the presentation time equally among your group members. Fewer Presenters in each meeting is better.

Importantly, if any changes in this schedule become necessary, notifications will be posted on Canvas, and when changes need to be announced between classes, an email will also be sent via a group Schulich email

Please check your Canvas and your Schulich e mail account regularly

# Week to Week Course Schedule

#### Winter 2024 Activities

Submit <u>self</u> assessment survey	End Jan
All groups to be confirmed and site names released	End Feb
Site preferences and Group contracts to be sent to	Early March
spulver@schulich.yorku.ca	
Research Protocol Certificate to	Mid March
spulver@schulich.yorku.ca	
Signed Group Contracts to instructor	End March
Agreed Statement of Work (SOW) to Instructor	Mid April

#### Summer Term 2025 Activities

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Formal Classroom Session 1	Week 1
Formal Classroom session 2	Week 2
Formal Classroom Session 3	Week 3
Project Planning Meetings	Week 4
Status Report Meetings	Week 8
Final Report Meetings	Week 12

### Group Formation and Site Selection

There are several distinct steps that must be followed to set up groups and sites in order to complete the project successfully. These steps and their timetable are outlined below and detailed in the balance of this course outline. We will break these steps up into classroom sessions for all, and individual group meetings with your instructor.

End Jan	Students are required to complete the field project survey by This will allow us to assign students to a group with members with complementary skills.
End Feb	Groups finalized
End Feb	We expect that Schulich will deliver the company for study to your group. However, if you have found a company that you would like to study, please submit that company's name and a company contact (phone AND email) to <u>spulver@schulich.yorku.cay</u> We will follow up with the company to confirm they are suitable for field project study The organization must be an on-going business, a start-up, a non-profit, or community organization with more than 1 employee and revenue of \$100,000/yr
End Feb	All group members are required to complete and sign a group contract confirming one another's commitment to each other and to the project. The signed contract is due to your instructor via e mail. Once that contract is approved, your group will be assigned a company to work with by Friday, February 28 <sup>th</sup> .end february
End Feb	You will learn what site has been assigned to your group
Mid March	Individual Research Ethics Certificates Due
End April	Agreed Statement of Work (SOW) due to instructor

May – July	From May through July, each student group will engage in a collaborative work project that
	will be negotiated between the student group, the organisation's management, and your
	instructor. The project is formalized in a document called the "Statement of Work" (SOW
	attached on p. 14) The agreed SOW is due to your instructor by end April

# **Classroom Sessions**

Class 1 Week 1	TBD	<ul> <li>Will introduce you to the course and take you through the deliverables and timetable for completion.</li> <li>Additionally, we will learn fundamental project management skills.</li> <li>To prepare for this session, please read/view the material identified below: <ol> <li>Project Management Harvard Business School, Project Management Manual, Mar 26,2002. 9-697-034 (Course Kit)</li> <li>https://www.slideshare.net/craigwbrown/the-project-management-process-week-1 (https://www.slideshare.net/craigwbrown/the-project-management-process-week-1)</li> <li>Work Breakdown Structure Templates <a href="https://www.google.com/search?q=work+breakdown+structure+template">https://www.google.com/search?q=work+breakdown+structure+template</a></li> </ol> </li> <li>In Class Activity <ul> <li>You will take your first crack at creating the project management plan for your field project.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Class 2 Week 2	TBD	<ul> <li>In this session we will discuss how to become a high functioning consultant to your client. Key topics include: <ul> <li>a) applying the scientific method to strategy development and consulting</li> <li>b) managing challenging client situations</li> </ul> </li> <li>To prepare for this session, please read/view the material identified below: <ul> <li>Using Hypothesis Driven Thinking in Strategy Consulting, Liedtka, J.M., Darden Business Publishing, University of Virginia, 2006 UV 0991 (library search)</li> <li>HBR Case: When Consultants and Clients Clash. Harvard Business School Press Reprint 97605X, Harvard Business Review. Nov/Dec97, Vol. 75 Issue 6, p22-38 (library search)</li> </ul> </li> <li>In Class Activity</li> </ul>

		Discussion and Role Playing of Various Difficult Client/Consultant Situations
Class 3 Week 3	TBD	<ul> <li>This session will focus on how to write and present a final report to your client</li> <li>To prepare for this session, please read the material listed below: <ol> <li>First Draft to Final Draft, Clippinger D., From Producing Written and Oral Business Reports: Formatting, Illustrating and Presenting., Business Expert Press 2017 (library search)</li> <li>Leading Words: How to Use Stories to Change Minds and Ignite Action Phoel, C.M. Harvard Management Communication Letter. Article Reprint C0605C (LS)</li> <li>How to Give a Killer Presentation., Anderson, C. HBR June 2013</li> </ol> </li> <li>In Class Activity Each group will be given a topic to write a 5 slide deck on and 1 member of your group will present it to the class </li> </ul>
# Meetings with Instructor and Groups

Project Planning Meeting	Student groups make a 20 minute presentation of their project plan in a 40 minute meeting .
Week 4	The objective of this meeting is to provide plan details and a detailed timetable for project completion for instructor input.
	Instructor input is given in the final 20 minutes of the meeting. The grading template for the Project Planning Meeting is on p18 and will also be posted on Canvas.
Status Meeting	Student groups make a 20 minute status update presentation on their project in a 40 minute meeting.
Week 8	The objective of this meeting is to provide a comprehensive update on where you are at vis-a-vis completing the project on time (at the end of week 12). The grading template for the status update meeting is attached on p. 19 and is also posted on Canvas. Instructor input is given in the final 20 minutes of the meeting.
	In order to have a successful status update meeting, the group will need to do a review of what was started at the beginning of the project, describe what has changed since the beginning of the project, and update me on the status of the group's research.
	The final deliverable for this phase of the project is a detailed timetable demonstrating convincingly how the project will be completed on time.
Final Meeting	Students will present their final report deck deck in 20 minutes and be prepared to answer questions for up to another 20 minutes.
Week 12	The grading template can be found on pages 20-21 and will also be posted on Canvas
	Importantly, in the meeting, we will discuss whether the presentation requires changes before it is presented to the client.

## Written Assignments/Reports: Descriptions

Performance in this course will be evaluated based on four assignments: the Project Plan, the Status Report, Final Report and the Reflective Journal. A more detailed description of the assignments follows.

All late submissions will lose ½ of a letter grade per day. Assignments that are more than one week overdue will not be accepted and will be assigned a grade of zero.

Due Date	Deciset Dise (Team)
Week 4	Project Plan (Team)
	Font Size: no less than 16-point font
	Value: Deck and Presentation 20%, Meeting Summary 5%
	Submit a copy of your Project Plan Deck on Canvas before class begins the day your
	team presents Please include your names and student numbers on the front of the
	document itself. Importantly, please identify who is presenting the project plan
	The Project Plan will detail your plan for addressing the specific issue or issues the
	company faces. This may include a preliminary assessment of the organization,
	whether your project requires your organization to adopt a competitive position in
	the marketplace, and if it is in a competitive situation, how effectively it has
	competed to date.
	You are required to deliver a well-rehearsed, professional presentation with an
	accompanying slide deck. This will be worth 20% of the course grade, and it will be
	due <i>in late May</i> You will also have to show evidence that the company has signed
	off on your project plan.
	The meeting summary, due 48 hours after the meeting, is worth 5% of the course
	grade.
	The grading template for the Project Plan meeting is on page 18

# Written Assignments/Reports: Descriptions

Week 8	Status Report (Team)
	Font Size: no less than 16-point font
	Submit a copy of your Status Report Deck on Canvas before class begins the day your team presents. Please include your names and student numbers on the front of the document itself. Importantly, please identify who is presenting the status report
	Value: Deck and Presentation 10%, Meeting Summary 5% Over the 4 weeks between the project plan meeting and the status meeting, students will conduct primary research with key stakeholders whose input is essential to addressing the project, and secondary research on project specific issues which will unfold as the project develops.
	<ul> <li>The purpose of the status meeting is to twofold:</li> <li>1) update your instructor on where you are at with your specific project deliverables, and</li> <li>1. to provide a detailed work schedule, with roles and responsibilities provided to convince your instructor that you have thought through how you will finish your project on time.</li> </ul>
	<u>In late june</u> the students will make a formal presentation of the status of the project vs. their project plan, including findings to date, and work remaining. This will be worth 10% of the course grade, and should be delivered as a well-rehearsed, professional presentation with an accompanying slide deck.
	The meeting summary, due 48 hours after the meeting, is worth 5% of the course grade The grading template for the Project Status meeting is on page 19

Week 12	Final Reort Deck and Presentation (Team)
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	Maximum Length: no more than 30 pages plus appendices, double-spaced
	Font size: 16pt. for the slide deck
	Value: Report, Deck and Presentation 35%, Meeting Summary 5%
	Submit a copy of your Final Report Deck on Canvas before class begins the day your
	team presents Please include your names and student numbers on the front of the
	document itself. Importantly, please identify who is presenting the status report
	<ul> <li>document itself. Importantly, please identify who is presenting the status report</li> <li>In the final month of the term, students will complete any remaining research and will, incorporate all feedback they have received. They will turn these findings into a final report as per they were shown in class 3</li> <li>Teams must present this deck to their instructor in a professional, 20-minute presentation.</li> <li>During the 20 minute discussion portion of the meeting, we will decide whether the presentation requires changes before it is presented to the client. Your instructor will provide comments, and if changes are required, the team will resubmit the deck and the changed deck to their instructor electronically, highlighting where the changes have been made.</li> <li>Once the changes have been incorporated, students will present to the client, and will show verification that they have presented the report to the company via an email to</li> </ul>
	their instructor cc'ing all group members and the client. Once that has been done, the team's grade will be submitted to Student Services.
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# Written Assignments/Reports: Descriptions

Week 12	Reflective Journal (Individual)		
	Font Size: no less than 12-point font		
	Maximum Length: no more than 2000 words		
	Please submit your journal on Canvas		
	Value: 20%		
	To consolidate learning and ensure you have gained the best from your experience, you must reflect on the process and what you have learned. You are encouraged to reflect thoughtfully upon and respond to the specific organizational environment, professional responsibilities, and your own role in furthering the organization through the project. Consider the best and worst parts of the project, why you		
	liked/not liked certain activities and duties, and what you learned from the activities.		
	The Reflective Journal should be based on the entire project experience and should incorporate the following points of discussion, as relevant:		
	<ul> <li>a) The Thesis Statement which identifies whether your expectations were met and what you learned. The body of your paper identifies two or three (depending on the length of your paper) major points that support your thesis statement.</li> </ul>		
	<ul><li>b) The expected learning outcomes you had of the project and whether those expectations have been met or changed as a result of the actual experience.</li><li>c) The most important skills you developed and the most critical knowledge</li></ul>		
	you gained during your project experience.		
	<ul> <li>d) The ways in which you applied or challenged your management theory and concepts with the project.</li> </ul>		
	e) The functioning (or non-functioning) of the team. How did you deal with differences in opinion? How did you manage your meetings? What worked well and what did not? What are your key take-aways for future teamwork?		
	f) Your own objective assessment of your work, performance, and contributions to the project. In what areas did you excel? In what areas did you struggle? Did anything you learned about yourself surprise you?		
	g) A conflict or disappointment you experienced through your project and how you managed it?		
	<ul> <li>h) What did you learn from the project experience that will change the way you approach your next work or project assignment?</li> </ul>		
	The grading template for the reflective journal is on p. 23		

#### **Evaluation of Written Assignments/Reports**

Please note that the emphasis on group work (80%) is meant to reflect the nature of how work is done in many firms wherein people regularly form teams to work on key issues. As you probably recall from the Team Dynamics course in term 1, the best time to deal with discord within a group is when it appears, rather than when the final project is due. If team members experience disagreement that they cannot resolve themselves, they should speak with me about it.

To recap what has already been mentioned, your team will be required to have a signed agreement in order to be assigned a company for study. Additionally, to ensure that the team members each deliver on their commitments to the project, a formal peer evaluation process will be used throughout the project and discussed at each of the three milestone meetings. A peer grade allocation process will be used to assess the contributions of individual members to the team.

Criteria for the peer evaluation include attendance and participation at team meetings; preparation for meetings; cooperativeness in getting work done; time and effort put into the project; timeliness and quality of the work; use of interpersonal and group dynamic skills, and any other elements of teamwork.

Please take this very seriously, because your instructor does. Your instructor will consider this input in assigning the final grade. The grade allocation form is attached on p. 23, and must be submitted, signed by all team members before the final presentation begins. If the document cannot be agreed upon by all group members, the final meeting will be rescheduled at your instructor's convenience.

#### General Academic Policies: Grading, Academic Honesty and Accommodations

Rubrics for each assignment are attached and will be posted on Canvas

In this class, final course grades will be determined by the following process: Each assignment will receive a grade. These will be combined according to the weightings assigned to each assignment to give a final grade. Grades may be rounded up or down depending on the final class distribution.

#### General Academic Policies: Grading, Academic Honesty and Accommodations

The Schulich School does not use a percentage scale or prescribe a standard conversion formula from percentages to letter grades. Conversions within a course are at the discretion of the instructor.

Masters grades at Schulich are based on a 9-value index system. The top grade is A+ (9) and the minimum passing grade is C- (1). To keep final grades comparable across courses, core courses are expected to have a mean grade between 4.7 and 6.1.

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For this course, the following grading conversion will be used:

A+	91 - 100	C+	60 - 64
Α	85 - 90	С	55 - 59
A-	80-84	C-	50 - 54
B+	75 - 79	D	45 - 49
В	70 - 74	F	0 - 44
B-	65-69		

For more details on the index, grading policy, and grade point average (GPA) requirements, see the following website:

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**Academic honesty** is fundamental to the integrity of university education and degree programs and applies in every course offered at Schulich. Students should familiarize themselves with York University's policy on academic honesty, which may be found on the Schulich website:

http://schulich.yorku.ca/current-students/academic-honesty/

Accommodations. For accommodations sought due to exam conflicts, religious reasons, unavoidable absences or disabilities, please refer to the Student Handbook or contact Student Services. For counseling & disability services, contact Student Services or see <a href="http://www.yorku.ca/cds/">http://www.yorku.ca/cds/</a>.

# MMKG 6000 Statement of Work

# Site Name:

### **Project Objectives(s):**

The objectives of this project are to:

#### Scope of Work:

- 1. Perform a Market and competitive analysis of the \_\_\_\_\_ market, including competitive product, promotion and targeting efforts
- 2. Primary research among users, and nonusers to better understand user evaluations of the client's product or service, which is <u>details go here</u>
- 3. A recommended plan to deliver the client's objectives which are:
  - a. \_\_\_\_ b. \_\_\_\_ c. \_\_\_\_

### **Changes from Brief:**

List any changes from the brief in the following format

Brief Revison

**Agreed Meeting Dates and Times** 

### **Deliverables Schedule:**

### **Course Deliverables for MMKG 6000**

The statement of work will be finalized in April in order to deliver the following between May-August

Deliverables	Description	Schulich Due Date	Client Due Date
Project Plan Meeting	<b>Purpose:</b> To provide the plan to address client objectives To get client approval before the meeting and instructor approval after the meeting	TBD	TBD
Status Meeting	<b>Purpose:</b> To update instructor on research and data collection. Primary research will be conducted with key stakeholders, and secondary research on project- specific issues.	TBD	TBD
Final Meeting	Purpose: To deliver final data analysis and fact based recommendations to the instructor. Students incorporate the instructor's comments and then present to the client	TBD	TBD

### **Communication standards:**

We will communicate with the client through e-mail, with a turnaround time of \_\_\_\_\_. In case of an emergency or when we require a response within 24 hours, we will contact the client through \_\_\_\_\_\_ which we have been given permission to do and the client has agreed to as well.

Agreed and approved this \_\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_\_

Student Chair Signature

Name

Client Signature

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# Project Planning Meeting Grading Template

1. SCOPE OF YOUR PROJECT: The deck clearly identifies the client problem/issue that the project is designed to address. Deliverables and assessment criteria that have been discussed with the client should be described. The deck should discuss current hypotheses related to the problem.

/4) 2. ASSESSMENT OF FIRM'S POSITION IN ITS INDUSTRY: Identifies what client and students think is their competitive advantage / USP / "where client fit in" in specific terms. Evaluates the competitive advantage objectively using a formal evaluation criteria (VRIO is a suggested format). Which other competitors face the same challenge? Why? /4) 2. RESEARCH PLAN: Identifies how you will address the project. What data do you need to collect and analyze? How will you collect and analyze it? /4) 3. TIMETABLE This requires a detailed for successful completion of the project by end July. Is there a week by week timeline with individual responsibilities and due dates highlighted? Are all tasks identified? Is the timetable realistic? Are client meetings, team meetings and milestone meetings with instructors identified ? ( /4) 4. PRESENTATION: Slide deck effectively tells a story. Presentation is articulate, well structured, has obviously been rehearsed several times and shared by team members. Team members can effectively answer questions. (\_ /4)

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Total

# Project Status Meeting Grading Template

1. SCOPE OF YOUR PROJECT: The deck and presentation updates the instructor briefly but clearly on the status of the project. Changes in scope from the first report should be noted, with indication that the client understands and agrees with these changes in scope.\_\_\_\_\_\_

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- 2. Presentation of Research Findings: Identifies data you have collected (should include 100% of Phase 1 secondary data and social media audits, plus initial primary research) and analyzed to date, and how these relate to solving your organization's challenge. Includes an understanding of how your client (and/or product or service) is perceived in the marketplace, and a competitive assessment as appropriate.
- 3. Identifies any data still outstanding. Identifies conclusions you are beginning to draw from the data collected. Identifies your analysis plan to finalize your conclusions and develop recommendations for your clients and your final report. Outlines client awareness of your emerging story/client relations to date.
  - \_ (\_\_\_/3)
- 4. Provides a detailed timetable for completion Provides Steps, timing, rand responsibilities for daily activities required to complete the project successfully.

\_\_\_\_\_(\_\_/3)

4. PRESENTATION: Slide deck effectively tells a story. Presentation is articulate, well structured, has obviously been rehearsed several times and shared by team members. Team members can effectively answer questions.

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Total

# **Final Report & Meeting**

# **Grading Template**

# 1. Executive Summary

Final Report and Meeting Grading Template

Brief outline of the background of the organization, the scope of work, the kind of research and analysis conducted to address the scope, the recommendations or conclusions in the report and the financial implications of the recommendations. (i.e., tell us what you are going to tell us). Start creating the story that the report will tell.

## 2. Background:

Tell a little bit about the organization, including what it does, and its competitive advantage, if any.

# 3. Project Scope:

Explain the scope of the project and the expected deliverables. Identify what you need to know to have a good solution (i.e., criteria for evaluation).

# 4. Research and Methodology:

Describe the research method(s) you used, how you developed the questionnaire and/or interview guide, how you obtained your sample, and any issues you encountered in your data collection.

# 5. Analysis:

Describe your analysis of the project including what you did to analyze the data you collected and what conclusions you were able to draw from your analysis. Be sure to consider limitations or boundary conditions of your analysis.

### 6. Recommendations:

Outline options you considered, and your final recommendations. Provide arguments and evidence supporting your recommendations and identifying why other options are not as good (use real options, not "straw man" options that aren't realistic). Be sure to consider the financial and strategic implications of your recommendations.

# 7. Implementation:

Provide the client with guidance about what they should consider in implementing the recommendations. Answer questions like who should do what, when and how. Provide suggestions regarding targets and milestones if appropriate, indicating when the client should re-evaluate their plans based on market feedback.

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8. Conclusion:

Tell us what you told us.

# 9. Appendices:

Put only supporting material in the appendices. Key analyses and conclusions must be put into the text.

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# 10. Presentation: (\_\_/5)

Slide deck effectively tells a story. Presentation is articulate, well structured, has obviously been rehearsed several times and shared by team members. Team members can effectively answer questions.

### Total (\_\_/35)

#### **Cautionary Notes:**

Try to be succinct. It is difficult to gain managers' attention. You need to limit your report to really important stuff, with less important stuff in the appendices if at all. We (and likely your clients), would prefer you use less space and tell a concise and focused story in your report.

### **Client Verification:**

Please attach an e mail from your client indicating that you have presented your report to them.

**Reflective Journal Grading Template** 

# Reflective Journal Grading Template

1. Proper Length and Format of the Reflective Journal

(/2)

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2. The Clarity of your Answers to the 7 Questions

3. Your Insights into Future Applications of Your Learning From the Field Project

4. Spelling Editing and Grammar.

Total

(/20)

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Please note, It is a personal-reflection paper so please use your own words (don't quote the textbook or lecture slides). No outside research is required.

**Grade Allocation Form** 

# MMKG 6000 Grade Allocation Form

Please use this form to allocate the grades for each of the individual members of your team. The grade allocation is a <u>team decision</u>. That means you – the team – need to decide how to make this important decision. Common options are decision by consensus, where all members need to back the decision; and decision by majority, where the decision is made by vote. Other alternatives are possible, and it is up to the team to decide how to manage this process.

Your team contract should function as the basis for the grade allocation. Have team members exceeded or fallen short of the expectations stated in the team contract? If they exceeded the expectations, is a higher grade warranted? If they have fallen short, is lowering the grade reasonable?

Your decision should be based on <u>contributions to content and task accomplishment</u> as well as <u>contributions to process</u> <u>and leadership</u>. The former may include regular attendance at team meetings; initiative in getting tasks done; reliability and quality of the work conducted; and the sharing of ideas and feedback. The latter may include keeping the team

focused on priorities; supporting and encouraging other team members; displaying effective active listening and conflict managing skills; and demonstrating effective leadership.

This evaluation process is based on a <u>zero-sum distribution</u>. That means that you can only add (or deduct) marks to a member of your group if you deduct (or add) marks from another. You can reward contributions that exceeded expectations by assigning positive marks (i.e., +0.5, +1.0, +1.5, etc.) to one or multiple members of your team. Contributions that fell short of expectations may be evaluated by assigning negative marks (i.e., -0.5, -1.0, -1.5, etc.) to one or multiple members of your team. At the end, the sum of the grade allocations needs to be "0".

For example, if the team believes that all members contributed to the project everyone will receive a "0", meaning that no one deserves a higher or lower grade than the team overall. If you believe that one member's contributions were higher than those of the average member you may decide to assign a positive mark to that member (e.g., "+2") and deduct marks from one or multiple other members whose contributions were below average (e.g., "-1" for one member and "-0.5" for two others). Ultimately, positive and negative marks have to balance each other out to arrive at a total score of "0" for the team.

Ideally, of course, the team functioned well and all members contributed satisfactorily to the project. In that case, no adjustment would be necessary and all team members would receive a "0". Hence, all members would receive the team grade assigned for the project.

The team will submit one completed Peer Evaluation Form to the course instructor via email. All team members should be copied on the email.

Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Group Member	Grade Allocation
	(, +2, +1.5, +1, +0.5, 0, -0.5, -1.0, -1.5, -2.0,)

#### **Schulich School of Business Memorandum**

To: Faculty Council, Schulich School of Business
From: Gregory Saxton, Professor of Accounting, Accounting Area Rep. for PhD in Administration
Date: January 22, 2024
Re: Minor Program Change Proposal: ACTG 7040

#### Motion:

That Faculty Council approves the description for the course ACTG 7040, Advanced Topics in Accounting Research, be updated to its correct description.

#### **Rationale:**

Recently, we became aware that the brief description for the area's core qualitative methods course (ACTG 7040) appearing online contained the name of the behavioural/experimental course (7030). Inquiries were made as to why that was the case but no one was able to provide an explanation. The proposed change is simply to eliminate the incorrect information (online and, now with the standardization of course syllybi on Canvas, on the electronic syllabus) and replace it with the correct information (i.e., the information that we have been using in this course for at least a decade now). No changes to the course are being proposed.



# Course Change Proposal Form Schulich School of Business

The following information is required for all course change proposals. To facilitate the review/approval process, please use the headings below (and omit the italicized explanations below each heading). Provide evidence of consultation, where appropriate.

- **1. Responsible Program:** Schulich PhD Program
- 2. Responsible Unit: ACTG
- **3. Subject Code (Rubric) and Course Number:** *ACTG 7040*
- 4. Credit Value: 3.00
- **5. Long Course Title:** Advanced Topics in Accounting Research

# 6. Short Course Title:

Advanced Topics in Accounting Research

7. Type of Course Change(s) (indicate all that apply):

	in course number
	in credit value (provide course outline)
	in course title (provide course outline; short course titles may be a maximum of 40 characters, including punctuation and spaces)
Х	in course description (provide course outline; short course descriptions may be a maximum of 60 words, written in present tense)
	in learning objectives/outcomes (please append the program's existing learning outcomes as a separate document)
	in integration (please provide statement of approval from relevant undergraduate coordinator or Chair)
	in cross-listing (please provide statement of approval from other program)
	in pre/co-requisite
	retire course
	other (please specify): Add a blended delivery mode format to the course

# 8. Effective Term/Calendar Year of Proposed Change(s):

Winter 2025



## 9. Rationale:

Recently, we became aware that the brief description for the area's core qualitative methods course (7040) appearing online contained the name of the behavioural/experimental course (7030). Inquiries were made as to why that was the case but no one was able to provide an explanation. The proposed change is simply to eliminate the incorrect information (online and, now with the standardization of course syllybi on Canvas, on the electronic syllabus) and replace it with the correct information (i.e., the information that we have been using in this course for at least a decade now). No changes to the course are being proposed.

Existing Course Information (Change From):	Proposed Course Information (Change To):
Experimental Design for Behaviour in Organizations.	This course explores advanced topics in qualitative accounting research. It is designed to help two groups of doctoral students. For those pursuing qualitative accounting research, the course will help develop the skills necessary to produce qualitative accounting articles. For those pursuing other accounting research, the course will provide a guided exposure to qualitative accounting research and help integrate insights arising from the course into the students' own research. The course will follow a "close reading" approach, with a detailed examination of carefully selected articles. This will allow us to understand what makes for a high-quality qualitative research article, including structure, theorization, methodology, empirical exposition, and engagement with current research conversations.

# **10. Proposed Course Information:**

Please insert approved course information on the left, and proposed course information on the right. Please clearly and visibly indicate how course information has been changed using strikethrough (left column), bold, underlining, colours, etc. (right column).

# **11. Enrolment Notes:**

n/a

# 12. Consultation:

n/a

# **Originator:**



Aregory Saxton

Signature

1/19/2024

Date

Gregory Saxton Name ACTG Area or Specialization

Approvals:

# Area or Specialization

I have reviewed this change form and I support the proposed changes to the course.

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Signature

Linda Thorne on behalf of the Accounting Area	
Name	Area or
	Specializa

## **Degree Program:**

I have reviewed this change form and I support the proposed changes to the course.

Peter Darke	January 24, 2024
Signature	Date
Peter Darke	PhD Program
Name of Program Director	Program

Date

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### **Program Committee:**

This course change has received the approval of the relevant Program Committee.

Peter Darke	January 24, 2024
Signature	Date

Peter DarkePhD Program CommitteeName of Committee ChairCommittee

### Delete This section once form is complete.

### **Required Attachments:**

- □ For changes in the number of credits, course title or course description, please attach the Schulich course outline (which must conform to program norms; see the Program Assistant for details).
- □ For cross-listed / integrated courses, please include a signed statement of agreement from the director of the other graduate course / other degree program.

### Send to:

Send an electronic copy of all forms and attachments, and forward emails of support from other faculty members to the appropriate program committee secretary.



# COURSE OUTLINE

Winter 2024

Thursdays, 11:30 AM, Starting January 11, 2024

# INSTRUCTOR

Prof. Jeff Everett S346 Seymour Schulich Building jeverett@schulich.yorku.ca

### ASSISTANT Dhaval Patel S344K Seymour Schulich Building (416) 736-5066 @schulich.yorku.ca

#### **BRIEF DESCRIPTION**

This course explores advanced topics in qualitative accounting research. It is designed to help two groups of doctoral students. For those pursuing qualitative accounting research, the course will help develop the skills necessary to produce qualitative accounting articles. For those pursuing other accounting research, the course will provide a guided exposure to qualitative accounting research and help integrate insights arising from the course into the students' own research. The course will follow a "close reading" approach, with a detailed examination of carefully selected articles. This will allow us to understand what makes for a high-quality qualitative research article, including structure, theorization, methodology, empirical exposition, and engagement with current research conversations.

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### **Course Learning Outcomes**

In ACTG 7040, you will:

- Understand the different qualitative research paradigms
- Propose a qualitative research project
- Locate your research project within an existing research conversation
- Develop a theorization, anchored in foundational (non-accounting) literature, that provides you with a rich vocabulary for exploring your empirical data
- Understand what comprises a rich description of a site or event
- See the tensions in research data that make a paper interesting
- Develop an awareness of how empirical data pushes back on accounting theory, creating in the process a contribution to theory
- Present your research ideas to others and provide constructive feedback on others' ideas

#### **Deliverables at a Glance**

Grade Component	Weight	Due
Weekly Presentations	50%	Weekly
Research Proposal	40%	Week 12
Research Proposal Presentation	10%	Week 12
	100%	

#### **Course Material**

Readings are provided in the week-by-week syllabus below. Because this is a research course, it is assumed that you are able to find copies of all the assigned readings yourself. Readings not easily available will be made available by the instructor.

#### Student Preparation for Class and Class Participation: Expectations

#### Preparation

The reading list provides required readings for each class, plus suggestions for further reading. The readings include accounting journal articles and the further readings include a sample of the foundational (non-accounting) literature related to the topic area at-hand. You are responsible for doing all required readings before each class. Plan on spending a concentrated amount of time on each one. Skimming will not suffice.

You will present an overview of both the week's qualitative paradigm and the required articles each week. Expectations are laid out in the "Evaluation Components" section below.

The articles and books listed as "For Further Reading" are to be used by students for their overview and for preparing a proposal that draws on the topic area at-hand. They are also useful for students who want to explore a topic in more detail at a later date.

#### **Class Participation**

You will be expected to take part in the discussion of the readings each week.

The pedagogical assumption of this course is that its students are adult learners. As such, we learn best by contributing actively to class rather than passively consuming what others say. Listening actively to your classmates and helping them to clarify their comments will be considered a particularly valuable contribution. The quality of a contribution is more important than the quantity, so there is no need for anyone to dominate "air time" in the classroom.

#### **Class-by-Class Syllabus**

The following list of lecture topics and readings indicate the material to be read, reviewed and/or prepared for the various class sessions. If any changes in this schedule become necessary, notifications will be posted in the course CMD, and where such changes need to be announced between class sessions, an email will be sent to students' email accounts, notifying them of the change.

Week 1

#### A. Course Overview

#### 1. Crafting Qualitative Accounting Research

In this introductory class, we will discuss the 'craft' of qualitative accounting research and the two main ('interpretive' and 'critical') paradigms that comprise it.

#### **Required reading:**

- 1. Mills, C.W. 1959. 'On Intellectual Craftsmanship', In Mills, C.W. *The Sociological Imagination*. pp. 195-226. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- 2. Jönsson, S., & Macintosh, N. B. 1997. 'CATS, RATS, and EARS': Making the Case for Ethnographic Accounting Research. *Accounting, Organizations and Society*, 22(3-4), 367-386.
- 3. Ahrens, T. and Chapman, C.S. 2007. 'Doing Qualitative Research in Management Accounting: Positioning Data to Contribute to Theory'. In Chapman, C.S., Hopwood, A.G., Shields, M. (eds.) *Handbook of Management Accounting Research: Volume 1*, pp. 299-318.
- 4. Cooper, D.J. and Hopper, T. 2007. 'Critical Theorizing in Management Accounting Research', In Chapman, C.S., Hopwood, A.G., Shields, M. (eds.) *Handbook of Management Accounting Research: Volume 1*, pp. 207-246.

#### **Further reading:**

Related to Accounting:

- Baker, C.R. and Bettner, M.S. 1997. 'Interpretive and Critical Research in Accounting: A Commentary on its Absence from Mainstream Accounting Research', *Critical Perspectives on Accounting*, 8(4), 293-310.
- Chapman, C.S., Cooper, D.J., and Miller, P.B., 2009. 'Linking Accounting, Organizations and Institutions', in Chapman, C.S., Cooper, D.J., and Miller, P.B., (eds.), Accounting, Organizations and Institutions: Essays in Honour of Anthony Hopwood, pp. 1-29, Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Chua, W.F. 1986. 'Radical Developments in Accounting Thought', *The Accounting Review*, 61(4), 601-632.
- Humphrey, C. 2008. 'Auditing Research: A Review Across the Disciplinary Divide'. *Accounting, Auditing and Accountability Journal*, 21(2), 170-203.

More Generally:

Bernstein, R. 1985. *Beyond Objectivism and Relativism: Science, Hermeneutics and Praxis.* Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press.

Kuhn, T. 1970. *The Structure of Scientific Revolution*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press. Feyrabend, P. 1987. *Farewell to Reason*. London: Verso.

- Flyvbjerg, B. 2001. *Making Science Matter: Why Social Inquiry Fails and How It Can Succeed*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Lakatos, I. 1965. 'Falsification and the Methodology of Scientific Research Programs', In Lakatos, I. and Musgrove, A. (eds.) *Criticism and the Growth of Knowledge*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Week 2

#### **B.** Interpretive Accounting Research

#### 1. Symbolic Interactionism and Hermenuetics

#### Symbolic Interactionism required reading

1. Sulaiman, N. A. (2023). External audit quality: its meaning, representations and potential conflict in practice. *Accounting, Auditing & Accountability Journal*.

#### Hermeneutics required reading

2. Parker, L. D., & Boyns, T. (2019). Language in pursuit of professional branding: The case of scientific costing. *The British Accounting Review*, 51(2), 193-210.

#### Symbolic interactionism further reading:

#### Related to Accounting:

- Hudaib, M. and Haniffa, R. 2009. 'Exploring auditor Independence: An Interpretive Approach'. *Accounting, Auditing and Accountability Journal*, 22(2), 221-246.
- Morales, J. (2019). Symbolic categories and the shaping of identity: The categorisation work of management accountants. *Qualitative Research in Accounting & Management*, 16(2): 252-278.
- Preda, A. 2009. 'Brief Encounters: Calculation and the Interaction Order of Anonymous Electronic Markets'. *Accounting, Organizations and Society*, 34(5), 675-693.
- Tomkins, C. and Groves, R., 1983. 'The Everyday Accountant and Researching His Reality', *Accounting, Organizations and Society*, 8(4), 361-374.

#### More Generally:

Becker, H. 1982. Art Worlds. Berkeley: University of California Press.

- Cooley, C.H. 1918. Social Process. New York: Scribners.
- Mead, G.H. 1934. Mind, Self, and Society. Chicago: Chicago University Press.
- Mead, G.H. 1977. On Social Psychology. Chicago: Chicago University Press.
- Shibutani, T. 1967. 'Reference Groups as Perspectives'. In Manis, J.G., Meltzer, B.N. (eds.) *Symbolic Interaction: A Reader in Social Psychology*. Boston: Allyn and Bacon.
- Strauss, A., Schatzman, L., Ehrlich, D., Bucher, R., and Sabshin, M. 1963. 'The Hospital and Its Negotiated Order'. In Friedson, E. (ed.) *The Hospital in Modern Society*. New York: Free Press.
- Stryker, S. 1968. 'Identity, Salience, and Role Performance. The Relevance of Symbolic Interaction Theory for Family Research'. *Journal of Marriage and the Family*, 30, 558-64.

#### Hermeneutics further reading:

#### Related to Accounting:

- Chabrak, N. 2009. The Politics of Transcendence: Hermeneutic Phenomenology and Accounting Policy', *Critical Perspectives on Accounting*, 16(6), 701-716.
- Francis, J. 1994. 'Auditing, Hermeneutics and Subjectivity', Accounting, Organizations and Society, 19(3), 235-269. Francis, J. 1994. 'Auditing, Hermeneutics and Subjectivity', Accounting, Organizations and Society, 19(3), 235-269.

- Khalifa, R., Sharma, N., Humphrey, C., and Robson, K. 2007 'Discourse and Audit Change', *Accounting, Auditing and Accountability Journal*, 20(6), 825-854.
- Llewellyn, S. (1993). Working in hermeneutic circles in management accounting research: some implications and applications. *Management Accounting Research*, 4(3), 231-249.

#### More Generally:

Dilthey, W. 1976. Selected Writings. (Rickman, H.P. ed.) London: Cambridge University Press.

- Gadamer, H.G. 1960. Truth and Method. New York: Seabury Press.
- Habermas, J. 1990. 'The Hermeneutic Claim to Universality'. In Ormiston, G.L. and Schrift, A.D. (eds.) *The Hermeneutic Tradition*. Albany: SUNY Press.

Heidegger, M. 1962. Being and Time. London: SCM Press.

Ricoeur, P. 1981. Hermeneutics and the Human Sciences: Essays on Action, Language, and Interpretation. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

#### 2. Dramaturgy/Dramatism and Ethnography/Ethnomethodology

#### Week 3

#### **Dramaturgy/Dramatism required reading:**

1. Corrigan, L.T. 2018. 'Budget Making: The Theatrical Presentation of Accounting Discourse', *Critical Perspectives on Accounting*, 55, 12-32.

#### **Ethnography required reading:**

2. Gamble, E., & Caton, G. (2023). Pulling back the curtain of environmental accountability: How boundaries shape environmental identities in the SKI industry. *Accounting, Auditing & Accountability Journal*, *36*(7/8), 1707-1733.

#### **Dramaturgy/Dramatism further reading:**

Related to Accounting

Corrigan, L.T. 2017. 'A Dramaturgical Accounting of Cooperative Performance Indicators'. *Qualitative Research in Accounting and Management*, 14(1), 60-80.

- Graaf, J. 2018. '31(4), 1230-1256. 'Equity Market Interactions', *Accounting, Auditing and Accountability Journal*
- King, T. A., & Fogarty, T. J. 2021. The dramaturgy of earnings guidance: an institutional analysis of a soft landing. *Accounting, Auditing & Accountability Journal, forthcoming.*

More Generally

Burke, K. 1969. A Grammar of Motives. Berkeley: University of California Press.

Borman, E.G. 1983. 'Fantasy and Rhetorical Vision: Ten Years Later'. *Quarterly Journal of Speech*, 68, 288-305.

Goffman, E. 1959. The Presentation of Self in Everyday Life. Garden City: Anchor Books.

Mangham, I.L. and Overington, M.A. 1987. Organizations as Theater: A Social Psychology of Dramatic Appearances. New York: John Wiley and Sons.

Simmel, G. 1950. The Sociology of George Simmel. Glencoe: Free Press.

#### **Ethnography/Ethnomethodology further reading:**

#### Related to Accounting:

- Ahrens, T. and Mollona, M. 2007. 'Organisational Control as Cultural Practice: A Shop Floor Ethnography of a Sheffield Steel Mill', *Accounting, Organizations and Society*, 32(4/5), 305-331.
- Boll, K. 2014. 'Shady Car Dealings and Taxing Work Practices: An Ethnography of a Tax Audit Practice. *Accounting, Organizations and Society*, 39(1), 1-19.
- Kohler, H., Pochet, C., & Gendron, Y. (2021). Networks of interpretation: An ethnography of the quest for IFRS consistency in a global accounting firm. *Accounting, Organizations and Society*, *95*.
- Kornberger, M., Justesen, L., and Mouritsen, J. 2011. 'When You Make Manager, We Put a Big Mountain in Front of You: An Ethnography of Managers in a Big 4 Accounting Firm. Accounting, Organizations and Society, 36(8), 514-533.

- Clifford, J. 1988. *The Predicament of Culture: Twentieth-Century Ethnography, Literature and Art.* Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press.
- Douglas, M. 1966. *Purity and Danger: An Analysis of Concepts of Pollution and Taboo*. London: Routledge and Kegan Paul.
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#### **Required reading:**

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Week 5

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Week 6

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#### 4. Structuration, Praxeology and Critical Realism: Power and Reflexivity

Week 9

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#### E. Traditions of the 'Post': Challenging Science and Western Metaphysics

#### 1. Postmodernism and Postructuralism: Truth and Discourse

Week 10

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#### Poststructuralism required reading:

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- Baudrillard, J. 1983. Simulations. New York: Semiotext(e).
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Week 11

#### 2. Postcolonialism: Imperialism and Race

#### **Required reading:**

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- 2. Uche, C., & Khalid, S. (2021). Corporate reporting on conflict: A struggle over land. *Critical Perspectives on Accounting*, 102340.

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Related to Accounting:

Alawattage, C., & Fernando, S. (2017). Postcoloniality in corporate social and environmental accountability. *Accounting, Organizations and Society*, 60, 1-20.

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## F. Wrap-up and Proposal Presentations

Week 12

We review and consolidate what we have learned during the course.

#### DELIVERABLE

Research proposal is due. Students will present their proposal to their classmates, who will be expected to provide constructive feedback.

#### **Evaluation Components**

#### Weekly Presentations and Article Analyses

Each week, you will prepare a 20- to 30-minute presentation for class. The presentation will consist of two parts (10- to 15-minutes each). The first part will introduce the audience to the week's qualitative paradigm, or, in cases where two or more paradigms are covered, one of the week's paradigms (the choice will be made in the prior week). The intent is to simulate a teaching environment wherein the presenter is an 'expert' in the paradigm and the audience member a 'beginner' who has little if any familiarity with the paradigm. The second part of the presentation will have the presenter discuss the week's related paper(s), evaluating them on the following criteria:

- Overview: very briefly, what are the articles about and what are they trying to say?
- What theoretical concepts are commonly employed in the papers? How well linked are the paper's theoretical concepts to the paradigm in question? Are they 'true' to the paradigm? How extensively do they rely on it?
- Imagine you are reviewer of these papers and they have yet to be accepted for publication. Are there any specific issues or areas of concern in any of the papers that you think should be addressed or strengthened in order to improve the paper(s)? How would you improve them? Consider the paper's research question, its motivation, its theoretical framing, its methods (and the alignment of those methods with the theoretical paradigm), the sufficiency of data, data analysis and the mobilization of theory, its findings, and its contribution to the literature (including its contribution to accounting theory).
- How do the theoretical concepts and ideas in the papers motivate your own research questions?

*Evaluation:* The presentations will be graded on a pass/fail basis, and must meet doctoral quality standards. Students who fail to present will receive a deduction in their overall course grade of one letter grade per missed presentation. Students will also be graded on their engagement with those presenting, asking questions or providing comments on both the paradigm being discussed and the focal research papers being covered that week.

#### **Research Proposal**

Students are expected to prepare a detailed and *original* research proposal that will lead to a published article. It is not acceptable to draw on work prepared for other courses. Please discuss your proposal thoroughly with the instructor well before the due date.

Expected length is approximately 4000 words, plus bibliography.

Research proposals should be structured like a research article: introduction, theoretical framing, proposed data sources and methodology, preliminary discussion of some data, and a conclusion setting out the anticipated contribution to the research conversation. If this builds on the "research conversation" deliverable, expectations will be higher: it should be in the form of a completed paper suitable for submission to a conference.

*Evaluation:* This will receive a percentage grade from the instructor, who will look amongst other things for originality, articulation in terms that will attract a clearly defined critical accounting audience, a sound grasp of theory and methodology, and the identification of suitable data sources.

#### **Overall Course Grade**

The overall course grade will be determined by weighting the graded deliverables. The final letter grade will be determined as follows, subject to deductions for missing pass/fail deliverables as noted above:

Range	Letter
90-100%	A+
85-89%	А
80-84%	A-
75-79%	B+
70-74%	В
65-69%	B-
60-64%	C+
55-59%	С
50-54%	C-
Under 50%	F

#### General Academic Policies: Grading, Academic Honesty, and Accommodations

#### Grading

Grades at Schulich are based on a 9-value index system. The top grade is A+(9) and the minimum passing grade is C-(1).

#### Academic honesty

Academic honesty is fundamental to the integrity of university education and degree programs, and applies in every course offered at Schulich. Students should familiarize themselves with York University's policy on academic honesty, which may be found in the Student Handbook and on the Student Services & International Relations website:

http://www.schulich.yorku.ca/client/schulich/schulich\_lp4w\_lnd\_webstation.nsf/page/Academic+Hon esty!OpenDocument

#### Accommodations

For accommodations sought due to exam conflicts, religious reasons, unavoidable absences or disabilities, please refer to the Student Handbook or contact Student Services. For counseling & disability services, contact Student Services or see:

http://www.yorku.ca/cds

#### **Schulich School of Business Memorandum**

To: Faculty Council, Schulich School of Business
From: Anoop Madhok, Professor of Strategic Management, Strategic Management Rep for PhD in Administration
Date: January 26, 2024
Re: Name change for Specialization

**Motion:** Be it moved that the name of the PhD specialization be changed from Policy and Strategic Management to Strategic Management

**Rationale:** The name change for the area from Policy and Strategic Management to Strategic Management was approved by Faculty Council with effect from May 1, 2022 and the acronym was accordingly changed from PLCY to SGMT. This change is now reflected at the BBA and MBA level, but for some reason remains the former at the PhD level. The proposed change is to update the specialization name at the PhD level to match the area name change as well as the BBA and MBA level specialization name.



## Specialization/Stream Change Proposal Form Schulich School of Business

The following information is required for all specialization/stream proposals. To facilitate the review/approval process, please use the headings below (and omit the italicized explanations below each heading). Provide evidence of consultation, where appropriate.

## 1. Responsible Program:

PhD Program

- 2. Name of Specialization/Stream Strategic Management
- 3. Responsible Unit: SGMT

## 4. Type of Specialization/Stream Change(s) (indicate all that apply):

Х	changes to specialization/stream name	
	changes to list of required credits	
-	changes to list of required courses	1
	changes to list of elective courses	175.2
	retire specialization/stream	
	other (please specify)	10 (P

## 5. Effective Term/Calendar Year of Proposed Change(s):

Fall 2024

## **Rationale for Change:**

The name change for the area from Policy and Strategic Management to Strategic Management was approved by Faculty Council with effect from May 1, 2022 and the acronym was accordingly changed from PLCY to SGMT. This change is now reflected at the BBA and MBA level, but for some reason remains the former at the PhD level. The proposed change is to update the specialization name at the PhD level to match the area name change as well as the BBA and MBA level specialization name.



## 6. Proposed Specialization/Stream Information:

Please insert the current, approved specialization/stream information as it appears in the handbook on the left, and proposed specialization/stream information on the right. Please clearly and visibly indicate the changes using strikethrough (left column), bold, underlining, colours, etc. (right column).

Existing Specialization/Stream Information (Change From):	Proposed Specialization/Stream Information (Change To):
<b>Title:</b> Policy and Strategic Management	<b>Title:</b> Strategic Management

#### 7. Consultation:

For changes that include deletions or additions of courses across areas please provide evidence that appropriate consultation has taken place.

#### **Originator:**

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Signature

January 25, 2024 Date

Anoop Madhok Name

SGMT Area or Specialization





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## Area or Specialization

I have reviewed this change form and I support the proposed changes to the course.

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## **Degree Program:**

I have reviewed this change form and I support the proposed changes to the course.

Signature

Date

Name of Program Director

Program

## **Program Committee:**

This course change has received the approval of the relevant Program Committee.

Signature

Date

Name of Committee Chair

Committee

### York University Schulich School of Business KELLOGG-SCHULICH EXECUTIVE MBA PROGRAM COMMITTEE

#### **Purpose and Responsibilities**

The Kellogg-Schulich Executive MBA Program Committee is the Faculty Council committee responsible for the academic policies applicable to, and the curriculum of, the Joint Kellogg-Schulich Executive MBA Program, which also includes courses offered by other partners in the Kellogg EMBA Global Network. It should be noted that the academic policies and curriculum of the Kellogg-Schulich Executive MBA are also subject to a governance role for the Kellogg School of Management. This role is reflected by the voting membership of two representatives from the Kellogg School of Management in the KS Executive MBA Program Committee.

The Kellogg-Schulich Executive MBA Program Committee regularly reviews the effectiveness and appropriateness of the content and structure of the current curriculum as well as the program learning objectives. If needed, it discusses proposals for additions or changes to all of these and forwards them to the Schulich Faculty Council for approval. The Committee also discusses and approves amendments to existing courses and new course proposals, including courses taken as electives by students from the KS EMBA Program at other partner schools in the Kellogg EMBA Global Network, which are then submitted to the Schulich Faculty Council. The Kellogg-Schulich Executive MBA Program Committee considers academic regulations that pertain to the KS Executive MBA, both concerning possible changes in these regulations and their actual application. These include, among others, admission criteria, grading standards, academic standing, academic appeals, and petitions. Last but not least, the committee facilitates information sharing among the main stakeholders of the joint KS EMBA Program.

#### Membership

Chair

Associate Dean, Academic, Schulich School of Business (ex officio)

#### **Voting Members**

Associate Dean, EMBA, Schulich School of Business Director, EMBA Program and Operations, Schulich School of Business Assistant Dean, Kellogg EMBA Global Network, Kellogg School of Management Director, Director, Global Executive Programs, EMBA, Kellogg School of Management Faculty representatives: Two members of the Schulich School faculty who teach in the KS EMBA Program (generally one tenured and one adjunct faculty) Student representatives: Two KS EMBA students (one from each active cohort)

## Quorum

Four voting members

**Meeting Schedule** 

The Kellogg-Schulich Executive MBA Program Committee typically meets five times per academic year (twice in the Fall, twice in the Winter, and once in the Summer terms). Additional meetings may be held at the discretion of the Chair.



## FACULTY COUNCIL SCHULICH SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

# A regular meeting of the Schulich Faculty Council for the 2023-24 academic year was held via Zoom on **Friday, February 2, 2024** from **11:30am - 1:00pm**.

### Minutes

## 1. Welcome and Chair's Remarks (5 minutes)

The Chair calls the meeting to order at 11:32 am and read the Indigenous Land Acknowledgement. Provides an overview of the proposed agenda items and asks for questions or concerns about the agenda. Seeing none, the agenda is approved.

## 2. Dean's Remarks (5 minutes)

Dean Zwick: The deans have been informed that the presidents of Ontario universities are constantly in communication with the government about the challenges and the need for more provincial funding. Calling for a new tuition framework following a five-year tuition freeze, which has put many universities in a difficult financial situation. Immigration changes have compounded the challenges. International students are being drawn into this discussion in a way that is unfair. Ottawa has imposed a limit on foreign student visas. Heavily impacting Ontario—bearing the largest portion of these cuts. In terms of applications, Schulich is in a fairly good position considering this—thanks in large part to SSIR.

The Schulich Black Students Association is hosting a Black History Month event on February 9—including guest speakers and case competitions. Attend if you can.

New program to support women entrepreneurs, we're supporting through the Office of Innovation and Entrepreneurship. Will be announced more widely soon.

Kudos to faculty launching great new courses. New course, tech based undergrad courses—The Future of Marketing- developed by D. Rice. Really innovative course brought to the BBA program. Also want to mention a new course in the Sustainability Area developed by several faculty members, partnership with MARS, Scaling Climate Innovations.

On February 15, finals of sustainable supply chain case competition for grad students.

## Questions?

C. Cho: MBA as a global trend is on the decline, so maybe not just limited to us. Wondering if you had any vision or strategy for addressing this.

D. Zwick: about to go to Europe for conference, where this topic is on the agenda. MBA is globally in decline, simply in terms of numbers of students interested in getting an MBA. Just returned froma trip to Asia, where you see more and more universities starting business schools and attracting their domestic students. Shrinking market. Regular conversation with Ashwin, Giri, Lindsay about this. Consensus about this that MBA is on a course to become much smaller than it is. Hoping to see more gradual decline, but it's more rapid because of geopolitical factors accelerating it. One of the reasons we are changing the MBA to make it more flexible and innovative. Specialized MBAs have a future. Offering choice and flexibility, and focused offerings. Increased interest in our one-year master programs. Helping us with overall student intake.

L.Hillcoat—much larger proportion of students coming to do an accelerated MBA. It's growing year over year. Might see a bit of rebound there after initial decline. Huge decline in Chinese students over the years because of increase in quality opportunities for them at home. But starting to see a massive increase from African countries. Markets not as big as Asia and the issue is more access to financing and loans.

A.Madhok: 20 years ago, if a student wanted to do an MBA, most would think about North America. International students now wonder why they should come here if they can do a pretty good program in English closer to home. Could we have a streamlined 3-term MBA?

G.Kanagaretnam: Want to point out that as program director, M. Valente has done a lot of analysis of our MBA program to think about possible improvements. We're not giving up on the MBA program; we're working to right-size it. If anyone has suggestions or questions, please direct them to Mike.

## 3. PhD/GBC/UBS Updates (10 minutes)

C. Huang: created free extra activities for PhD students: visit to ROM, board game night, and breakfast at a café for those who are interested. From the presentation on the supervisory hub, it's important for PhD students to receive support not only from supervisors, but also something more centralized that goes beyond academic issues only. Creating more awareness of existing resources and services available.

M. Samardzija: very busy January. RISE case competition on January 7 where we had 150 participants. Thank you to those who attended and participated in judging. Pub night—very high attendance, good to support student morale. Over 290 students attended. Schu-lympics—restarted after 2 years. Lots of great athletes at Schulich. Hopefully looking to do a few more competitions with some other institutions. Happy new year to everyone.

## T. Porbanderwala:

## 4. Motion: a) MAcc Major Modification Proposal (15 minutes) (S. Trivedi)

## b) DAcc Major Modification Proposal c) DIAc Modification Proposal

Motions moved by S. Trivedi, seconded by M. Valente. S. Trivedi rationalizes the motion. Seeing no discussion, Chair calls the question. Motion carries.

## 5. Consultation on Graduate Supervisory Support Hub (20 minutes) (W. Moir)

Chair introduces W. Moir. See slide deck on Council website for more details. Additional feedback can be emailed to wmoir at yorku.ca

W. Shen: as a supervisor, there's a tension between trust and oversight. Wanting to trust and empower graduate students, but if things go awry, responsibility lies with supervisors to have been providing closer oversight. Second, one of the things that's stressful for graduate students is the idea that not all relationships work out, so there's a need to create better understanding and awareness of best practices for how to handle the breakup/breakdown of a supervisory relationship.

## 6. Presentation on CCD and Experiential Education Office Initiatives (20 minutes)

*(H. Sinker & M. Cernea)* See Presentation Slide Deck for more information.

## 7. Other Business

None

## 8. Adjournment

Chair adjourns the meeting at 1 pm



## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SCHULICH SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

A regular meeting of the Executive Committee of Faculty Council for the 2023-24 academic year was held remotely (via Zoom) on Friday, January 19 at 11:30 am.

#### Minutes

#### 1. Welcome & Chair's Remarks

Chair calls meeting to order at 11:31 am.

Discussion of transition W. Shen as Vice-Chair in Winter 2024 meetings.

Ensure that the Faculty Council agenda is ready to go—that items on the main agenda need to be there.

#### 2. Review of February Faculty Council Agenda and Documentation

S. Trivedi provides an overview of the program change proposals on the FC agenda related to merging the MAcc and DIAc.

M. Kipping: how common is it for students to not meet the promotion standard proposed?

S. Trivedi: We're talking about exceptional cases. The proposed promotion standard is important to ensure students—especially international students—can be successful considering the fees.

#### 3. Other Business

None.

#### 4. Adjournment

Chair adjourns the meeting at 12:17 pm