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INFSYS 6851 Practicum in Business Intelligence
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1. INTRODUCTION AND MATERIALS

Welcome to Practicum in Business Intelligence. I hope you find it interesting and useful.
There is no text for the course in the usual sense but I would like you to read **The
Practical Guide to Project Management,** by Petersen so that you can become
familiar with the terminology of project management and with some of the tools
that we will be using. It is in the documents section.

2. AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

Course Description and Objectives:
This course, Practicum in Business Intelligence, is being taught to provide real world
experience in planning and executing projects. The projects will be sponsored by
companies and not for profit organizations that have a real need for results. It will allow
students to integrate, synthesize and apply their Business Intelligence skills in an actual
business organization. The class will have students working on short-term projects
about 9 hours a week. Students will work under the guidance of the class instructor.
The company will be responsible for overseeing and managing their project.
The goal of the class is to have students perform real company projects which provide
value both to companies and the students.

3. Prerequisites

Prerequisites for the course are: INFSYS 6833, INFSYS 6849, and LOG OM 6345. If you have not already mastered the topics in these courses, please see the instructor. Project management techniques will be taught prior to the start of project work.

4. Evaluation

Students will be evaluated based on the quality of the project reports and their oral presentations. For each project there will be three sources of evaluation:

1.   Student will evaluate their own contribution to the project and the contribution of the other members of their team.
2.   The sponsoring organization will evaluate the oral and written presentation of the project results. This will include both the form and the substance of the project reports.
3.   The instructor will likewise evaluate the oral and written presentation of the project results as well as the plan and execution of the project.

Student scores will be based on an equal weighting of these three inputs for each project.

5. Class attendance

Class attendance and participation is essential for this class both your team members and your clients depend on your presence. If you need to miss class contact the instructor just as soon as you can so that we can determine to best way for you to meet your responsibilities to all concerned.

6. Accommodations

Students requiring special accommodations should meet with Dr. Womer so that we can discuss how to meet your needs this semester. Prior to our meeting be sure you have met with someone in the campus offices that supports student with disabilities (MSC 144).

7. Honesty Policy

Honesty is expected. Plagiarism is the use of another person's words or ideas without crediting that person. Plagiarism will not be tolerated and will result in a grade of 0 for the assignment and will be subject to appropriate university disciplinary procedures. View this campus policy here:
http://www.umsl.edu/services/academic/assets/PDFs/Dishonesty-Rev-9-08.pdf
In addition, some of our projects may involve proprietary information that cannot be divulged to third parties. You are expected to safeguard this information.

8. Dates to Remember

2/13 Monday: Last day to drop a course or withdraw from school without receiving a grade. Last day any student may place a course on satisfactory/Unsatisfactory basis.

3/13 Monday: Last day to drop a course or withdraw from school without instructor approval. EX grade will be assigned.

4/17 Monday: Last day a student may drop a course. Instructor's approval is required. A grade of EX or F will be assigned.