



APPLIES TO ACADEMIC YEAR 2016/2017

GRA 2416 Project Management

Programme

Master of Science in Business, Specialization Course

Responsible for the course

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Term

According to study plan

ECTS Credits

6

Language of instruction

English

Introduction

Learning outcome

The course starts with an introduction to project management. The students will be given an understanding of what a project is and a foundation for planning, organizing and controlling projects. The course will further give an understanding of the problems of project work and will by the help of theory and practical examples show how to manage a project to achieve the goals.

Prerequisites

All courses in the Masters programme will assume that students have fulfilled the admission requirements for the programme. In addition, courses in second, third and/or fourth semester can have specific prerequisites and will assume that students have followed normal study progression. For double degree and exchange students, please note that equivalent courses are accepted.

Compulsory reading

Books:

Larson, Erik W., Clifford F. Gray. 2014. Project management : the managerial process. 6th ed. McGraw-Hill

Collection of articles:

Selected articles.

Other:

During the course there may be hand-outs and other material on additional topics relevant for the course and the examination.

Recommended reading

Course outline

- Project characteristics
- Project selection
- Project success criteria
- Project management
- Project planning
- Project control
- Risk management
- Conflict management
- Project organization
- Stakeholder management and project relations
- Project portfolio
- Contract administration
- Benefit realization
- Culture and international projects

Computer-based tools

Not applicable

Learning process and workload

The course consists of lectures and discussions on cases. A course of 6 ECTS credits corresponds to a workload of 160-180 hours.

Please note that while attendance is not compulsory in all courses, it is the student's own responsibility to obtain any information provided in class that is not included on the course homepage/It's learning or text book.

Examination

Your course grade will be based on the following activities and weights:

40% - Class participation (in the form of participation, presentations and discussions)

60% - Term paper written by up to 3 students

Form of assessment	Weight	Group size
Class participation	40%	
Term paper	60%	Optional (individual or group of max 3 students)

Specific information regarding student assessment will be provided in class. This information may be relevant to requirements for term papers or other hand-ins, and/or where class participation can be one of several components of the overall assessment. This is a course with continuous assessment (several exam components) and one final exam code. Each exam component is graded using points on a scale from 0-100. The final grade for the course is based on the aggregated mark of the course components. Each component is weighted as detailed in the course description. Students who fail to participate in one/some/all exam components will get a lower grade or may fail the course. You will find detailed information about the points system and the mapping scale in the student portal @bi. Candidates may be called in for an oral hearing as a verification/control of written assignments.

Examination code(s)

GRA 24161 continuous assessment accounts for 100 % of the final grade in the course GRA 2416.

Examination support materials

Permitted examination support materials for written examinations are detailed under examination information in the student portal @bi. The section on support materials and the use of calculators and dictionaries should be paid special attention to.

Re-sit examination

It is only possible to retake an examination when the course is next taught. The assessment in some courses is based on more than one exam code. Where this is the case, you may retake only the assessed components of one of these exam codes. All retaken examinations will incur an additional fee. Please note that you need to retake the latest version of the course with updated course literature and assessment. Please make sure that you have familiarised yourself with the latest course description.

Additional information

Honour code. Academic honesty and trust are important to all of us as individuals, and are values that are integral to BI's honour code system. Students are responsible for familiarising themselves with the honour code system, to which the faculty is deeply committed. Any violation of the honour code will be dealt with in accordance with BI's procedures for academic misconduct. Issues of academic integrity are taken seriously by everyone associated with the programmes at BI and are at the heart of the honour code. If you have any questions about your responsibilities under the honour code, please ask. The learning platform itslearning is used in the teaching of all courses at BI. All students are expected to make use of itslearning.