



COURSE OUTLINE		
TERM: Spring 2025	COURSE NO: BADM 101	
INSTRUCTOR:	COURSE TITLE: Introduction to Business	
OFFICE: LOCAL: E-MAIL: @capilanou.ca	SECTION NO(S):	CREDITS: 3.0
OFFICE HOURS:		
COURSE WEBSITE:		

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COURSE FORMAT

Three hours of class time, plus an additional hour delivered through on-line or other activities for a 15-week semester, which includes two weeks for final exams. This course may be delivered in online format.

COURSE PREREQUISITES/CO-REQUISITES

None

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION

This foundational course will broaden that view to provide an understanding of the business as a whole entity. Through a blend of theoretical concepts, practical applications and interactive discussions, learners will gain a fundamental understanding of what constitutes a business, including the types of businesses (e.g., service, manufacturing, non-profit) and the core functions that drive them (marketing, operations, finance, etc.). This course also aims to foster an understanding of the role of businesses in society, introduce a critical thinking approach, and inspire a passion for lifelong learning in the field of business.

REQUIRED TEXTS AND/OR RESOURCES

Ebert, R.J., Griffin, R.W., Starke, F.A. & Dracopolis, G. (Eds.). (2020). *Business essentials* (9th Canadian ed.). Toronto, ON: Pearson. (Or, similar.)

COURSE STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

On successful completion of this course, students will be able to do the following:

- Describe a business entity and its key partners.
- Identify the functions and operations within a business organization.
- Investigate business situations using relevant data sources and tools.
- Explain the relevance of ethical considerations to business functions.
- Recognize the forces that generate business risk.

COURSE CONTENT

Week	Topic	Suggested Content
1	Definition of a business entity	Basic structure of a business, key partners in a business – owners, employees, customers, suppliers, etc.
PART 1: HOW A BUSINESS MAKES MONEY		
2	The basic business model	Value proposition, relationship between production, sales, delivery, service
3	Applying the business model	Types of businesses – manufacturing, retail, wholesale, service, not-for-profit
4	Role of business in society	A business ethics model/framework, making money responsibly, ethical decision-making
5	Library skills tutorial	Exploring how to access and identify types of materials that support business learning, introduction to APA, citations, and references.
PART 2: HOW A BUSINESS FUNCTIONS		
6	Creating the product	Operational activities in a business, manufacturing, service delivery, distribution, suppliers
7	MIDTERM ASSESSMENT	
8	Employees	The role that staff play in business operations
9	Customers	Finding and convincing customers, the role marketing and sales plays in business operations
10	Managing the business	Setting the business goal – financial, social, personal, decision-making, SMART goals, planning, leading, organizing, and controlling, SWOT Analysis
PART 3: THE ENVIRONMENT THE BUSINESS OPERATES IN		
11	Macro environment	Risk created by forces in the macro environment, PESTLE framework
12	Industry	Risk created by forces in the industry environment, competition
13	Course Review	
14-15	Final Exam period	

EVALUATION PROFILE

Assessment	Weight	LO
Annotated Bibliography	10%	3
In-class/take home assignments (maximum of 6)	30%	1-5
Midterm Assessment	15%	1,3,4
Report – Deconstruct a Business*	25%	1-5
Final Exam (cumulative)	20%	1-5

*Report – Deconstruct a Business

Through interviews, observation and secondary research, each student will apply the course concepts to deconstruct a small business in their community. Students will be required to identify the business' value proposition, business model, product/s, operational functions, the role the employees' play, customer profile, management functions and competitive forces.

GRADING PROFILE

A+ = 90-100	B+ = 77-79	C+ = 67-69	D = 50-59
A = 85-89	B = 73-76	C = 63-66	F = 0-49
A- = 80-84	B- = 70-72	C- = 60-62	

Incomplete Grades

Grades of Incomplete "I" are assigned only in exceptional circumstances when a student requests extra time to complete their coursework. Such agreements are made only at the request of the student, who is responsible to determine from the instructor the outstanding requirements of the course.

Late Assignments

Assignments are due at the beginning of the class on the due date listed. If you anticipate handing in an assignment late, please consult with your instructor beforehand.

Missed Exams/Quizzes/Labs etc.

Make-up exams, quizzes and/or tests are given at the discretion of the instructor. They are generally given only in medical emergencies or severe personal crises. Some missed labs or other activities may not be able to be accommodated. Please consult with your instructor before the exam. Accommodations can be made to honour community needs and traditional practices.

Attendance

Students are expected to attend all classes and associated activities.

English Usage

Students are expected to proofread all written work for any grammatical, spelling and stylistic errors. Instructors may deduct marks for incorrect grammar and spelling in written assignments.

Electronic Devices:

Students may use electronic devices during class for note-taking only.

On-line Communication

Outside of the classroom, instructors will (if necessary) communicate with students using either their official Capilano University email or eLearn; please check both regularly. Official communication between Capilano University and students is delivered to students' Capilano University email addresses only.

UNIVERSITY OPERATIONAL DETAILS**Tools for Success**

Many services are available to support student success for Capilano University students. A central navigation point for all services can be found at: <https://www.capilano.ca/student-services/>

Capilano University Security: download the [CapU Mobile Safety App](#)

Policy Statement (S2009-06)

Capilano University has policies on Academic Appeals (including appeal of final grade), Student Conduct, Academic Integrity, Academic Probation and other educational issues. These and other policies are available on the University website.

Academic Integrity (S2017-05)

Any instance of academic dishonesty or breach of the standards of academic integrity is serious and students will be held accountable for their actions, whether acting alone or in a group. See policy and procedures S2017-05 Academic Integrity for more information: <https://www.capilano.ca/about-capu/governance/policies/>

Violations of academic integrity, including dishonesty in assignments, examinations, or other academic performances, are prohibited and will be handled in accordance with the Student Academic Integrity Procedures.

Academic dishonesty is any act that breaches one or more of the principles of academic integrity. Acts of academic dishonesty may include but are not limited to the following types:

Cheating: Using or providing unauthorized aids, assistance or materials while preparing or completing assessments, or when completing practical work (in clinical, practicum, or lab settings), including but not limited to the following:

- Copying or attempting to copy the work of another during an assessment;
- Communicating work to another student during an examination;
- Using unauthorized aids, notes, or electronic devices or means during an examination;
- Unauthorized possession of an assessment or answer key; and/or,
- Submitting of a substantially similar assessment by two or more students, except in the case where such submission is specifically authorized by the instructor.

Fraud: Creation or use of falsified documents.

Misuse or misrepresentation of sources: Presenting source material in such a way as to distort its original purpose or implication(s); misattributing words, ideas, etc. to someone other than the original source; misrepresenting or manipulating research findings or data; and/or suppressing aspects of findings or data in order to present conclusions in a light other than the research, taken as a whole, would support.

Plagiarism: Presenting or submitting, as one's own work, the research, words, ideas, artistic imagery, arguments, calculations, illustrations, or diagrams of another person or persons without explicit or accurate citation or credit.

Self-Plagiarism: Submitting one's own work for credit in more than one course without the permission of the instructors, or re-submitting work, in whole or in part, for which credit has already been granted without permission of the instructors.

Prohibited Conduct: The following are examples of other conduct specifically prohibited:

- Taking unauthorized possession of the work of another student (for example, intercepting and removing such work from a photocopier or printer, or collecting the graded work of another student from a stack of papers);
- Falsifying one's own and/or other students' attendance in a course;
- Impersonating or allowing the impersonation of an individual;
- Modifying a graded assessment then submitting it for re-grading; or,
- Assisting or attempting to assist another person to commit any breach of academic integrity.

Sexual Violence and Misconduct

All Members of the University Community have the right to work, teach and study in an environment that is free from all forms of sexual violence and misconduct. Policy B401 defines sexual assault as follows:

Sexual assault is any form of sexual contact that occurs without ongoing and freely given consent, including the threat of sexual contact without consent. Sexual assault can be committed by a stranger, someone known to the survivor or an intimate partner.

Safety and security at the University are a priority and any form of sexual violence and misconduct will not be tolerated or condoned. The University expects all Students and Members of the University Community to abide by all laws and University policies, including B.401 Sexual Violence and Misconduct Policy and B.401.1 Sexual Violence and Misconduct Procedure (found on Policy page <https://www.capilanou.ca/about-capu/governance/policies/>)

Emergencies: Students are expected to familiarise themselves with the emergency policies where appropriate and the emergency procedures posted on the wall of the classroom.

DEPARTMENT OR PROGRAM OPERATIONAL DETAILS

See course syllabus