City University of Hong Kong Course Syllabus

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Part I Course Over	view				
Course Title:	Project Management				
Course Code:	FB5223 ode:				
Course Duration:	One Semester				
Credit Units:	3				
Level:	P5				
Medium of Instruction:	English				
Medium of Assessment:	English				
Prerequisites: (Course Code and Title)	Basic knowledge on statistics				
Precursors: (Course Code and Title)	Nil				
Equivalent Courses: (Course Code and Title)	Nil				
Exclusive Courses: (Course Code and Title)	IS5540 Project Management & Quality Assurance				

Part II Course Details

1. Abstract

This course aims to:

- Help students understand the importance of proper project management to the success of a project.
- Introduce the concepts, terms, tools and techniques of managing small to large-scale projects in a business environment.

2. Course Intended Learning Outcomes (CILOs)

(CILOs state what the student is expected to be able to do at the end of the course according to a given standard of performance.)

No.	CILOs	Weighting (if applicable)	Discov curricu learnin (please approp	lum rel g outco tick	ated omes
1.	Describe the basics of what project management is, the organization and technology context of modern-day projects.		X		
2.	Comprehend basic tools and techniques used in various aspects of project management including management of project scope, time, cost, quality, risk and human resources.		X		
3.	Apply the project management knowledge, skills, tools and techniques learnt to project activities of a medium-size project to meet project requirements.			X	
4.	Apply a project management software (E.g. MS Project) to help plan and manage a project.				X
		100%			

A1: Attitude

Develop an attitude of discovery/innovation/creativity, as demonstrated by students possessing a strong sense of curiosity, asking questions actively, challenging assumptions or engaging in inquiry together with teachers.

A2: Ability

Develop the ability/skill needed to discover/innovate/create, as demonstrated by students possessing critical thinking skills to assess ideas, acquiring research skills, synthesizing knowledge across disciplines or applying academic knowledge to self-life problems.

A3: Accomplishments

Demonstrate accomplishment of discovery/innovation/creativity through producing /constructing creative works/new artefacts, effective solutions to real-life problems or new processes.

3. Teaching and Learning Activities (TLAs)

(TLAs designed to facilitate students' achievement of the CILOs.)

TLA	Brief Description	CILO No.				Hours/week	
		1	2	3	4		(if applicable)
1	Lectures	X	X	X	X		
2	Case Studies	X	X	X			
3	Discussions	X	X	X	X		
4	Demonstrations		X	X	X		
5	Practical/Workshop	X	X	X	X		

Seminar: 6.5 hours per week x 6 weeks

Lectures: Project management principles and methodology are provided with special focus on planning, controlling and managing projects to successful completion.

Case Studies: Mini cases are used to help the students appreciate the importance of proper project management on projects.

Discussions: Through discussing the case study materials and discussions in specialized topics in orials, concepts and principles taught in lectures can be solidified. Students can also learn from each other and know how things can be seen from multiple perspectives..

Demonstrations: How the project management skills and techniques and how a project management software can be used are demonstrated.

Practical/Workshop: Hands-on skills on applying the theories, skills and techniques covered in lectures have to be practiced by students in workshops.

4. Assessment Tasks/Activities (ATs)

(ATs are designed to assess how well the students achieve the CILOs.)

Assessment Tasks/Activities	CILO No.						Weighting	Remarks
	1	2	3	4				
Continuous Assessment: 60 9	Continuous Assessment: 60 %							
Coursework	X	X	X	X				
(including participation, class								
assignments and group project)								
Examination: <u>40</u> % (duration: 2 hours, if applicable)								
							100%	

Class and Tutorial Participation: This will reflect the students' participation in classes, tutorial sessions and discussions. Students are encouraged to actively participate in discussions. This is an individual mark.

Class Assignments: This includes in-class assignments and a take-home assignment. The take-home assignment is an individual research report regarding a project management success or failure case.

Group Project: This is a group project to let students apply the project management skills and techniques learnt in class to solve practical problems. The project includes the following components:

- An interim report
- A final report which is a project plan for executing the project
- A final project presentation

Examination: A two-hour written examination is developed to assess students' competence level of the taught subjects.

5. Assessment Rubrics

(Grading of student achievements is based on student performance in assessment tasks/activities with the following rubrics.)

Assessment Tasks	Excellent (A+, A, A-)	Good (B+, B, B-)	Adequate (C+, C, C-)	Marginal (D)
Participation	- Actively participate in class and tutorial and lab sessions and discussions.	- Fairly active in participating in class and tutorial and lab sessions and discussions.	 Not much participation in class and tutorial and lab sessions and discussions. 	- Very little/no participation in class and tutorial and lab sessions and discussions.
Class Assignments	- Demonstrate an in-depth understanding on what project management is and its associated skills and techniques and be able to apply them to real-life cases.	- Demonstrate a fair level of understanding on what project management is and its associated skills and techniques and be able to apply some of them to real-life cases.	- Demonstrate only a shallow understanding on what project management is and its associated skills and techniques and be able to apply only a few of them to real-life cases.	- Can hardly demonstrate understanding on what project management is and its associated skills and techniques and can hardly apply them to real-life cases.
Group Project	 Demonstrate good understanding of the basic project management concepts. In-depth thought and research has been made in applying the skills and techniques learnt in class to the project. The report has covered all the specified requirements. The report is well-structured, well-written and well presented. Peer evaluation report reflects at least an average contribution ratio. The presentation is well-structured and presented in a logical sequence. Time control is good. PowerPoint slides are of high quality. The team is able to tackle all/most of the questions raised. Excellent presentation skills and language skills Appropriate use of visual aids in presentation 	 Demonstrate fair understanding of the basic project management concepts Considerable thought and research has been made in applying the skills and techniques learnt in class to the project. The report has covered all/most of the specified requirements. The report is fairly well-structured, well-written and well presented. Peer evaluation report reflects an average contribution ratio. The presentation is mostly well-structured and presented in a logical sequence. Time control is good. PowerPoint slides are of fairly high quality. The team is able to tackle some of the questions raised. Good presentation skills and language skills Appropriate use of visual aids in presentation 	 Demonstrate reasonable understanding of the basic project management concepts. Reasonable thought and research has been made in applying the skills and techniques learnt in class to the project. The report has covered most of the specified requirements. The report is not so well-structured, well-written and well presented. Peer evaluation report reflects a lower than average contribution ratio. The presentation is not so well-structured and sequence of presentation can be improved. Time control is fair. PowerPoint slides are of medium quality. The team is unable to tackle the questions raised. Fair presentation skills and language skills Use of visual aids in presentation can be improved 	 Poor understanding of the basic project management concepts. Little thought and research has been made in applying the skills and techniques learnt in class to the project. The report has covered only some of the specified requirements. The report is poorly-structured, poorly-written and poorly presented. Peer evaluation report reflects a very low contribution ratio. The presentation is poorly-structured and presented out of logical order. No evidence of time control. PowerPoint slides are of poor quality. The team is unable to tackle the questions raised. Poor presentation skills and language skills Inappropriate use of visual aids in presentation

Examination	- Evidence of good understanding of	- Evidence of fair understanding	- Evidence of reasonable	- Evidence of little/no
	the importance of good project	of the importance of good project	understanding of the importance of	understanding of the importance of
	management to a project	management to a project	good project management to a	good project management to a
	- Accurately describe all/most key	- Accurately describe most key	project	project
	concepts; and demonstrate a	concepts; and demonstrate a fairly	- Can only accurately describe some	- Unable to describe most key
	thorough understanding of all/most	thorough understanding of some	key concepts; and demonstrate a	concepts; and cannot demonstrate
	of the terms, tools and techniques	the terms, tools and techniques	only shallow understanding of most	an understanding of the terms,
	- Demonstrate the ability to apply	- Demonstrate the ability to apply	of the terms, tools and techniques	tools and techniques
	all/most of the skills and techniques	a fair amount of the skills and	- Demonstrate the ability to apply	- Demonstrate the ability to apply
	learnt to the planning and	techniques learnt to the planning	some of the skills and techniques	only a few skills and techniques
	management of medium to	and management of medium to	learnt to the planning and	learnt to the planning and
	large-scale projects.	large-scale projects.	management of medium to	management of medium to
			large-scale projects.	large-scale projects.

Part III Other Information (more details can be provided separately in the teaching plan)

1. Keyword Syllabus

(An indication of the key topics of the course.)

Project Management Basics

Introduction to project management, roles of the project manager, influence of organisation structure and culture on projects, project life cycle, project management processes and knowledge areas

Project Integration Management

Strategic planning and project selection, project execution, monitoring and controlling project work, project closing

Project Scope Management

Scope planning, project scope statement, creating the work breakdown structure, scope validation and control

Project Time Management

Schedule management planning, activity definition, sequencing, resource and duration estimating, schedule development and control

Project Cost Management

Cost management planning, cost estimating, cost budgeting and cost control using earned value techniques

Project Quality Management

Quality planning, quality assurance, quality control, tools and techniques used in quality assurance and quality control

Project Human Resource Management

Motivation theories, human resource management planning, acquiring the project team, developing the project team, and managing the project team

Project Communications Management

Communications planning, management and control

Project Stakeholder Management

Stakeholder identification, stakeholder management planning, stakeholder engagement management and control

Project Risk Management

Risk management planning, risk identification, qualitative and quantitative risk analysis, risk response planning, risk monitoring and control

2. Reading List

2.1 Compulsory Readings

(Compulsory readings can include books, book chapters, or journal/magazine articles. There are also collections of e-books, e-journals available from the CityU Library.)

1.	Nil
2.	
3.	

2.2 Additional Readings(Additional references for students to learn to expand their knowledge about the subject.)

1.	A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK ® guide), 5 th
	Edition, Project Management Institute, 2013, ISBN: 9781935589679
2.	Cynthia Stackpole Snyder, A User's Manual to the PMBOK Guide fifth edition
	[electronic resource] 2 nd Edition, J. Wiley, 2013, ISBN: 9781118546284 (e-book).
3.	Verzuh, Eric, The Fast Forward MBA in Project Management, 4 th Edition, John Wiley &
	Sons, c2012, ISBN: 9781118073773
4.	Jack R. Meredith and Samuel J. Mantel, Project Management: A Managerial Approach,
	Eighth Edition, John Wiley & Sons c2012, ISBN: 9780470533024
5.	Web Sites:
	www.pmi.org
	www.projectmanagementdocs.com/templates.html
	<u>www.projectmanagement.com</u>