

FB6920P: PPP LEGAL SYSTEMS AND CONTRACT MANAGEMENT

Effective Term

Semester A 2025/26

Part I Course Overview

Course Title

PPP Legal Systems and Contract Management

Subject Code

FB - College of Business (FB)

Course Number

6920P

Academic Unit

College of Business (CB)

College/School

College of Business (CB)

Course Duration

Non-standard Duration

Other Course Duration

Intensive mode: 4 days

Credit Units

2

Level

P5, P6 - Postgraduate Degree

Medium of Instruction

Chinese (Putonghua)

Medium of Assessment

Chinese

Prerequisites

Nil

Precursors

Nil

Equivalent Courses

Nil

Exclusive Courses

Nil

Part II Course Details

Abstract

A solid preparation and design is a key to a success of a PPP project. In a similar vein, contract management is vital to the smooth execution of a PPP project by optimizing financial performance and minimizing risk. Different from the traditional commercial dealings between two private entities at arm's length, PPP necessitates a more well-coordinated and collaborative approach among all the contract parties and stakeholders. More to the point, in a PPP project, oftentimes, the re-negotiation and redesigning the contractual relations between parties are expected given its nature.

This course will focus on 1) how best to prepare for a PPP project; 2) how to manage the PPP procurement process; 3) how to allocate the potential risks in drafting the PPP contract; and 4) other related legal issues that need to be taken into account in executing these long term contracts.

Course Intended Learning Outcomes (CILOs)

CILOs		Weighting (if app.)	DEC-A1	DEC-A2	DEC-A3
1	Preparing for contract drafting in PPP projects	25	x		
2	Identifying and assessing the potential risks in a given circumstances	25	x		
3	Developing plans to renegotiate the contractual relations in case of change of situations	25		x	
4	Developing skills to allocate the risks and to evaluate the contract performance in stages	25			x

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 real-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.

Learning and Teaching Activities (LTAs)

LTAs		Brief Description	CILO No.	Hours/week (if applicable)
1	Seminar/lecture	To offer the concepts and knowledge of the contract management stated above.	1, 2, 3, 4	
2	Readings	Some reference books and journal articles will be provided for students to read before attending the lecture	1, 2, 3, 4	

3	In-class Activities	Some group mock-practice will be employed to gain the necessary knowledge	1, 3, 4	
4	Examinations	A written examination	1, 2, 3	

Assessment Tasks / Activities (ATs)

ATs		CILO No.	Weighting (%)	Remarks ("- for nil entry)	Allow Use of GenAI?
1	Group project report: Students are required to work in groups to identify and assess risks involved in an assigned PPP contract project and present to the whole class.	1, 2, 3, 4	70	-	Yes
2	Group presentations: A group presentation will be required for students to provide a possible solution in a given scenario.	1, 2, 3, 4	30	-	Yes

Continuous Assessment (%)

100

Assessment Rubrics (AR)**Assessment Task**

1. Group project Report (for students admitted before Semester A 2022/23 and in Semester A 2024/25 & thereafter)

Criterion

Ability to work as an effective team to identify and assess the potential business and legal risks.

Excellent

(A+, A, A-) High

Good

(B+, B, B-) Significant

Fair

(C+, C, C-) Moderate

Marginal

(D) Basic

Failure

(F) Fail to reach the minimum threshold

Assessment Task

2. Group presentations (for students admitted before Semester A 2022/23 and in Semester A 2024/25 & thereafter)

Criterion

Ability to understand the concept of contract management and its dynamics in real life situations; ability to provide a possible solution in a given PPP circumstance.

Excellent

(A+, A, A-) High

Good

(B+, B, B-) Significant

Fair

(C+, C, C-) Moderate

Marginal

(D) Basic

Failure

(F) Fail to reach the minimum threshold

Assessment Task

1. Group project Report (for students admitted from Semester A 2022/23 to Summer Term 2024)

Criterion

Ability to work as an effective team to identify and assess the potential business and legal risks.

Excellent

(A+, A, A-) High

Good

(B+, B) Significant

Marginal

(B-, C+, C) Basic

Failure

(F) Fail to reach the minimum threshold

Assessment Task

2. Group presentations (for students admitted from Semester A 2022/23 to Summer Term 2024)

Criterion

Ability to understand the concept of contract management and its dynamics in real life situations; ability to provide a possible solution in a given PPP circumstance.

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Part III Other Information

Keyword Syllabus

PPP Contract Formation, PPP Contracting, Contract Management, Legal Risks Analysis, Dispute Resolution

Reading List

Compulsory Readings

Title	
1	There is no one book that students must have in order to study this course but information will be supplied regarding recommended reading for each topic.

Additional Readings

Title	
1	Nil