Course information:
Copy and paste current course information from Class Search/Course Catalog.

Academic Unit: W. P. Carey School of Business
Department: Management

Subject: MGT
Number: 400
Title: Cross-Cultural Management
Units: 3

Is this a cross-listed course? No
If yes, please identify course(s)

Is this a shared course? No
If so, list all academic units offering this course

Course description:
Cultural role in international business relations; applied principles of cross-cultural communications, negotiations, and management; regional approaches to business relations.

Requested designation: Global Awareness-G
Note: a separate proposal is required for each designation requested

Eligibility:
Permanent numbered courses must have completed the university's review and approval process.
For the rules governing approval of omnibus courses, contact Phyllis.Tucke@asu.edu or Lauren.Leo@asu.edu.

Submission deadlines dates are as follow:
For Fall 2015 Effective Date: October 9, 2014
For Spring 2016 Effective Date: March 19, 2015

Area(s) proposed course will serve:
A single course may be proposed for more than one core or awareness area. A course may satisfy a core area requirement and more than one awareness area requirements concurrently, but may not satisfy requirements in two core areas simultaneously, even if approved for those areas. With departmental consent, an approved General Studies course may be counted toward both the General Studies requirement and the major program of study.

Checklists for general studies designations:
Complete and attach the appropriate checklist

- Literacy and Critical Inquiry core courses (L)
- Mathematics core courses (MA)
- Computer/statistics/quantitative applications core courses (CS)
- Humanities, Arts and Design core courses (HU)
- Social-Behavioral Sciences core courses (SB)
- Natural Sciences core courses (SO/SG)
- Cultural Diversity in the United States courses (C)
- Global Awareness courses (G)
- Historical Awareness courses (H)

A complete proposal should include:
- Signed General Studies Program Course Proposal Cover Form
- Criteria Checklist for the area
- Course Catalog description
- Course Syllabus
- Copy of Table of Contents from the textbook and list of required readings/books

Respectfully request that proposals are submitted electronically with all files compiled into one PDF. If necessary, a hard copy of the proposal will be accepted.

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Department Chair/Director approval: (Required)
Chair/Director name (Typed): James H. Moore
Date: 2/11/15

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Arizona State University Criteria Checklist for
GLOBAL AWARENESS [G]

Rationale and Objectives

Human organizations and relationships have evolved from being family and village centered to modern global interdependence. The greatest challenge in the nuclear age is developing and maintaining a global perspective which fosters international cooperation. While the modern world is comprised of politically independent states, people must transcend nationalism and recognize the significant interdependence among peoples of the world. The exposure of students to different cultural systems provides the background of thought necessary to developing a global perspective.

Cultural learning is present in many disciplines. Exposure to perspectives on art, business, engineering, music, and the natural and social sciences that lead to an understanding of the contemporary world supports the view that intercultural interaction has become a daily necessity. The complexity of American society forces people to balance regional and national goals with global concerns. Many of the most serious problems are world issues and require solutions which exhibit mutuality and reciprocity. No longer are hunger, ecology, health care delivery, language planning, information exchanges, economic and social developments, law, technology transfer, philosophy, and the arts solely national concerns; they affect all the people of the world. Survival may be dependent on the ability to generate global solutions to some of the most pressing problems.

The word university, from universitas, implies that knowledge comes from many sources and is not restricted to local, regional, or national perspectives. The Global Awareness Area recognizes the need for an understanding of the values, elements, and social processes of cultures other than the culture of the United States. Learning which recognizes the nature of others cultures and the relationship of America’s cultural system to generic human goals and welfare will help create the multicultural and global perspective necessary for effective interaction in the human community.

Courses which meet the requirement in global awareness are of one or more of the following types: (1) in-depth area studies which are concerned with an examination of culture-specific elements of a region of the world, country, or culture group, (2) the study of contemporary non-English language courses that have a significant cultural component, (3) comparative cultural studies with an emphasis on non-U.S. areas, and (4) in-depth studies of non-U.S. centered cultural interrelationships of global scope such as the global interdependence produced by problems of world ecology, multinational corporations, migration, and the threat of nuclear war.
Proposer: Please complete the following section and attach appropriate documentation.

**ASU--[G] CRITERIA**

**GLOBAL AWARENESS [G]**

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<td>1: Studies must be composed of subject matter that addresses or leads to an understanding of the contemporary world outside the U.S.</td>
<td>The title of the course, Cross-Cultural Management, is manifest in the numerous Harvard Business Review cases which provide the context for numerous student papers and class discussion. All of the cases focus on at least two different countries/cultures, of which the United States is only featured one third of the time. Two of the class assignments feature student presentations that compare and contrast two different cultures; these are the Cultural Showcase assignment and the Expatriate Management assignment.</td>
<td>The Course Pack (XanEdu) Bibliography lists cases such as: 1) a merger of a UK and German firm in &quot;Oil &amp; Wasser&quot;; 2) a Norwegian supervisor handling an Indonesian workforce in &quot;Managing a Diverse Workforce in Indonesia&quot;; 3) a U.S. manager trying to evaluate and control sales efforts in a broad and diverse region (Middle East, Africa, India, Pakistant, China, Japan, Korea, Philippines, Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand, Singapore, Australia, and New Zealand) in &quot;Black and Decker - Eastern Hemisphere and the ADP initiative&quot;; 4) a German manager dealing with a local (Ukraine) sales force in the beer industry in &quot;Wolfgang Keller at Konigsbrau TAK&quot;; 5) a Swedish firm, sourcing from India and Pakistan, and facing environmental and child labor criticism from European customers in &quot;IKEA's Global Sourcing Challenge: Indian Rugs and Child Labor&quot;; and</td>
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| 6) a U.S. woman facing gender and cultural questions while working for a consulting firm in Korea in "Ellen Moore: Living and Working in Korea". The syllabus (pp. 3-4) describes the Culture Showcase assignment. In this early assignment in the semester the students (teams) randomly "draw" two countries from a large pool of countries. Each team will then investigate the two countries' cultural characteristics, cultural values, and highlight the implications of these cultural features for doing business in these two countries. The team will present the most interesting and important points from this investigation about these countries to the whole class in a 10 minute PowerPoint presentation plus a 5 minute Q&A."

A later assignment described in the syllabus (p. 4) is the Expatriate Management assignment. In this assignment the student teams will identify a real U.S. worker (e.g., a Ford production manager from Detroit, an Apple engineer from Silicon Valley, a McDonalds franchisee supervisor from the Chicago area) and prepare an expatriate management plan that will prepare this person for assignment into another country and for repatriation. Cultural characteristics of the region, industry, and functional role within the firm, at both the home location and at the expatriate posting, are all to be considered. |

| 2d: The course is a comparative cultural study course in which most, i.e., more than half, of the material is devoted to non-U.S. areas. The more than 50% criterion can be demonstrated two ways: 1) more than half of the grade points earned in MGT 400 come from an examination of non-U.S. areas; and 2) more than half of the class discussion days focus on areas outside of the U.S. The syllabus (p. 2) identifies 100 possible points for the semester. The Culture Showcase assignment (pp. 3-4) compares and contrasts cultures in two different non-U.S. countries and is worth 10 points (10%). The Written case analysis (pp. 3, 7, & 8) counts for 20 points |
60% of the grade points come from a focus outside of the U.S. and 67% of the class days focus on doing business outside of the U.S. (20%). Students must choose between two different cases for their written case write-up; 1) "Wolfgang Keller..." with a German manager of a Ukrainian beer brand, 2) the other is "IKEA" where a Swedish firm sources products from India and Pakistan which creates problems with their European customers. The Expatriate Management (presentation and written report) counts for 30 points (30%) for the semester grade. The Expatriate Management assignment focuses on creating an expatriation (and repatriation) plan for an identified US worker (with regional, professional, and industrial cultural attributes) who is going to a several-year posting in another country. The assignment requires that the students perform an in-depth analysis of the culture of the target location in order to determine what must this expatriate-to-be, and the parent firm, do in order to prepare him/herself for the posting in a new country and culture? These three assignments all focus on countries outside the U.S. and add up to 60% of the semester point totals. The remaining 40 points/percent for the semester grade come from; 2 quizzes (10%), midterm exam (16%) and class participation (10%).

In looking at the allocation of class discussion topics in the syllabus (pp. 6-9) there are 15 meeting days (weeks) and during every class meeting except for weeks 1, 6, 8 (midterm), 10 & 13 the focus is on doing business in other countries that are not the U.S. Ten class meetings have an exclusive focus outside of the U.S., while the other five class meetings are less clearly focused outside of the U.S.
Course Catalog Description

MGT 400 - Cross-Cultural Management

Course description: Cultural role in international business relations; applied principles of cross-cultural communications, negotiations, and management; regional approaches to business relations.

Units: 3
Repeatable for credit: No
General Studies: C & G
Offered by: W. P. Carey School of Business
Pre-requisites: WP Carey BS or BA student, OR non-business student with min 2.5 ASU cum GPA and min 56 earned hours; MGT 300 or 303 or 320 or 380 with C or better.
MGT 400 - Fall 2015
CROSS-CULTURAL MANAGEMENT
10:30am-1:15pm Thursday (West)

Class Meets: Thursday 10:30am - 1:15pm (West campus, CLCC L1-74)
Instructor: Peggy Lee
E-mail: Peggy.Lee@asu.edu (This is the best way to reach me)
Office: BA 3231 (3rd floor, South Wing of BA building). On West Campus, S377
Phone: 480-965-7118
Fax: 480-965-8314
Office Hours: One hour before class and by appointment.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to email me to set up a meeting.

Course Description and Objectives

The increase in the globalization of business requires everyone, especially managers, to work effectively in international assignments, to collaborate with cross-cultural teams, and to manage the increasingly diverse workforce, customers and clients. Therefore, managers need to acquire cultural competencies that go beyond traditional managerial competencies. The main objective of this course is to provide students (i.e., future managers) a sound basis for developing such cultural competencies. This course seeks to provide an understanding of effective cross-cultural management skills and the challenges that are likely to be faced while working internationally. We focus on international organizational behavior and human resource management issues and practices in multinational organizations. We aim to develop an understanding of key cultural differences and how these differences influence the management of individuals, teams, and organizations.

Upon completion of the course, it is hoped that students will:

1. Know why and how individuals from different cultures react differently to similar managerial practices and work policies;
2. Appreciate the manner in which cross-cultural differences affect interpersonal processes such as communication, negotiation, conflict resolution, and teamwork;
3. Learn to effectively design and manage multinational/global teams and to develop global leaders;
4. Know the factors contributing to effective expatriate adaptation and performance;
5. Understand when and why human resource management systems (e.g., selection, training, and compensations) remain effective across culturally diverse settings, and when they do not.
Required Course Materials


Required Coursepack: We are going to discuss seven cases and two articles in this course. The course packet of these assigned readings is available on BlackBoard. You can download the full package and save to your hard drive.

Other Materials on BlackBoard: The course syllabus, the powerpoint slides used in class, and general announcements concerning the course will be posted on BlackBoard. I strongly recommend you bring the powerpoint slides to the lecture. Previous experience indicates that they will greatly facilitate your note-taking efforts. Please check Blackboard before attending each class.

Course Format

This course will focus on developing both conceptual knowledge and applied competencies needed to manage effectively in culturally diverse settings. To achieve this goal, we will use various pedagogical approaches, including lectures, case analyses, team discussions, videos, self-assessments, role playing and other experiential exercises, and team presentations. The best result will be achieved when you actively participate in the co-production of your learning experience. This class requires a high load of reading and writing. It is essential that you regularly attend class, prepare in advance of the classes, and engage productively in class discussions as well as all individual and team assignments.

Evaluation components

Your course grade is based on your performance on three major components:

1) Individual-based course work (including 1 case analysis, 2 quizzes, and 1 mid-term exam);
2) Team-based course work (including 2 team presentations and 1 written report);
3) Interaction-based course work.

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Final letter grades are based on the total number of points you earn during the course.
Below are the detailed requirements for each component of the course work.

1) Individual-based Course Work

To complete this part of the coursework, you will work independently without discussing with others. The specific components include:

- **One individual case analysis, 20 points.** You can choose one of two possible cases (see class schedule for options and due dates). Case analyses should be five pages, single-spaced, and with 1" margins. Always provide an executive summary (does not count toward 5 pages). You are allowed as many appendices as you see fit. A hard copy of the report should be turned in at the beginning of the class the day we discuss the case. Additionally, please make sure you upload a copy of your analysis on our Blackboard site. Please see Appendix E for more details.

- **Two Quizzes, 5 points each, at the beginning of two randomly selected sessions.** These two open-book quizzes consist of only objective questions (multiple choices and true/false questions). The purpose of these quizzes is to encourage attendance and to increase the understanding of the class material that is covered in the session immediately before the quiz.

- **1 Mid-Term Exam (16 points).** The purpose of this closed-book exam is to test your understanding of fundamental course concepts and frameworks, and how to use them. The exams may consist of a mixture of objective questions, true/false questions and short answers. The questions may be drawn from any materials covered in the course, including the written and discussion cases, articles, any additional readings assigned, class discussion, and so on. The mid-term exam will occur during a regularly scheduled class session.

2) Team-based Course Work

At the beginning of the course, students will form teams of 4 - 5 members on a voluntary basis (9 or 10 teams in total). You will be working with your team members in the following projects to make two presentations to the class. The same grade will be assigned to each member of a team. Presentations’ performance will be evaluated by the Instructor and a few randomly-selected Student Referees using the following 3 criteria (see the Team Project Evaluation Forms in Appendices A and B):

a) **Content** (extent to which the team addressed EACH of the listed content areas thoroughly and thoughtfully);

b) **Delivery** (extent to which the presentation was creative and engaging, both in terms of the oral and visual components of the presentation);

c) **Preparedness** (extent to which the team was prepared to answer questions about their presentation well, including addressing issues not explicitly covered on, but related to, their presentation).

- **Team Presentation I – Culture Showcase (10 points).** In this project, each team will draw two countries from a large pool of countries. Each team will then investigate the two countries’ cultural characteristics, cultural values, and highlight the implications of these cultural features for doing business in these two countries. The team will present the most interesting and important points from this investigation about these countries to the whole class in a 10-minute power-point presentation plus a 5-minute Q&A. Make sure your presentation ends on time so all teams have a chance to showcase their investigated countries. Please email me your presentation files by the
night before the class to ensure a smooth transition from presentation to presentation.

- **Team Presentation II – Expatriate Management (30 points).** In this project, your team is charged with the task of providing a particular Fortune 500 firm’s top management team regarding the management of their expatriates. Each team will need to choose its specific U.S. Fortune 500 firm, and the specific city *outside North America* for which expatriates will be assigned to work for 2 years. You are also encouraged to choose a functional area for these expatriates (e.g., they can be marketing managers or operations managers), so that you could tailor your report to address the cross-cultural issues facing this particular group of expatriates. Your choice of U.S. firm and host (foreign) city needs to be approved by the instructor (see class schedule for the due date of approval).

Your team will be responsible for preparing a **25-minute power-point presentation**, during which the entire class will act as the U.S. firm’s top management team and be allowed to ask questions for an **additional 15 minutes** (i.e., the total time per team will be 20 minutes). Although the specific content the team chooses to cover would be up to you, I expect that, at a minimum, your team will address the following issues during the presentation:

1. The U.S. firm’s characteristics (e.g., its industry, mission, personnel, current challenges, etc.).
2. The characteristics of the host (foreign) country and city, with particular emphasis on (a) why the firm chose to send expatriates to that city, and (b) cultural differences likely to affect expatriate adaptation and effectiveness during their assignment.
3. Discussion of potential strategies for enhancing expatriate effectiveness; for instance, how the firm should select, train, and prepare the expatriates (and their families) for their assignment (given their functional area), as well as what they should do to ensure expatriate success during the actual assignment.
4. Discussion of potential strategies for facilitating repatriation – i.e., strategies for ensuring effective return of expatriates to their U.S. firm upon completion of their 2-year international assignment.

- **Written Report for Team Presentation II Expatriate Management (10 points out of the 30 points).** Each team will write a formal report based on their Presentation II. This report will need to cover points 2, 3, and 4 above. There is no need to describe the firm’s characteristics in details since this is a report to the firm’s own top management team. This report is 9-10 pages, typed, and double-spaced. You will need to submit a hard copy of this report at the beginning of the class on the due date. You do not need to formally bind the report or provide a fancy cover for it. The instructor will evaluate only the content, not the appearance of the report. The same grade/points will be assigned to each member of a team.

3) **Interaction-based Course Work (14 points)**

Class participation is expected and required. Since you will form teams it is essential that you move forward together. You will be responsible for readings and participating in team tasks. You will be evaluated on your ability to incorporate theory into our discussion. Please note: these are NOT “free points.” I expect quality participation and will reward points accordingly. To make quality comments you must carefully read text chapters and readings and complete any out-of-class assignments prior to class time. In addition, you will need to attentively follow the discussion in class so that your comments will build from what others have said. Clarity and conciseness will be highly valued (See Appendix D for further details). In short, what is participation?
• Arriving to class on time
• Attending class and being prepared — reading assigned cases, exercises, etc.
• Raising and answering questions
• Sharing ideas, observations, and personal experiences
• Pointing out relevant data

• Generating potential solutions
• Relating and synthesizing ideas of others
• Pointing out relationships to earlier discussions
• Helping others develop their views and ideas
## MGT 400 Cross-Cultural Management

**Time:** Thursday 10:30am-1:15pm (West campus, CLCC L1-74)  
**Spring 2015 Tentative Course Schedule**

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| 1    | Thursday   | Course overview; getting to know each other; go over syllabus; team projects explained; questions answered | • Bring a list of countries that you have been to  
Students form teams of 4 - 5 members (9 or 10 teams in total); Teams draw their *culture showcase* countries  
Culture and international management |
|      | Jan. 15    |                                                                       | • Chapter 2 (pp. 34 – 47)                                      |
| 2    | Thursday   | Contrasting cultural values  
**Oil and Wasser:** Prepare to be randomly called on to lead discussions on one of the following questions:  
1. What are the immediate problems Brighton faces and the long-term problems that Royal Edeling faces?  
2. What are the old ways of developing leaders in both companies?  
3. If you are Callaghan, what would you have done differently?  
4. Among the four commentaries, what are their common suggestions and unique feature for each one? | • Chapter 2 (pp. 47 – 59)  
• Coursepack case: *Oil and Wasser* |
|      | Jan. 22    |                                                                       |                                                               |
| 3    | Thursday   | Coping with cultural shock  
**The Silent Language:** Prepare to be randomly called on to lead discussions on one of the following questions:  
1. What does a deadline or an agreement mean to people in different cultures?  
2. What are the mistakes that the sales managers had made when meeting with the Minister of Communications?  
3. What are the misunderstandings that the Minister of Communications has toward the sale manager?  
4. Based on your own experience, what have changed for the past 50 years (since the article was published in 1960)? | • Coursepack article: *The Silent Language in Overseas Business*  
• Coursepack case: *Managing a diverse workforce in Indonesia* |
|      | Jan. 29    | **Diverse workforce in Indonesia:** Prepare to be randomly called upon to lead discussions on one of the five decisions that Korsvald has to make:  
1. Whether to build a small mosque next to his plant  
2. Whether to buy prayer call clocks |                                                               |
|   |   | 3. Whether to change work schedule to increase productivity during Ramadan  
4. Which candidate to choose for Accounting manager  
5. How to formulate new policies? |
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| 4 | Thursday Feb. 5 | Cultural differences and business implications in selected countries and regions  
* Team presentation 1:  
  Cultural showcase (each team has 8 minutes to present)  
  Chapter 2 Table 2-1 (pp. 60 – 63) |
| 5 | Thursday Feb. 12 | Motivation across cultures (theories and practices)  
**Black & Decker -Eastern Hemisphere and the ADP initiative. Prepare to be randomly called on to lead discussions on one of the following questions:**  
1. *Since arriving in Singapore, Lancaster has formulated several opinions about the health of the Eastern Hemisphere organization. What are his concerns both now and for the future?*  
2. *What problems does Lancaster want ADP to address?*  
3. *What concerns do Asian managers have about ADP? How substantive are these concerns?*  
4. *What action should Lancaster take: wait, go ahead with a hybrid or full speed ahead with the U.S. version of ADP?*  
* Chapter 7  
* Coursepack case: Black & Decker |
| 6 | Thursday Feb. 19 | Leadership theory in cross-cultural context  
Handout: Study guide for mid-term  
* Chapter 8  
* DUE: Approval of your team’s choice of U.S. firm and host (foreign) city for Presentation II |
| 7 | Thursday Feb. 26 | Leadership development and cross-cultural team building  
**Wolfgang Keller at Königsbrün-TAK. Prepare to be randomly called on to lead discussions on one of the following questions:**  
1. *What is your assessment of Brodsky’s performance? Please be specific.*  
2. *How effective has Keller been as a coach to Brodsky? Why? Could you have done better? Why and How?*  
3. *What are the underlying causes of Brodsky’s performance problems? What actions should Keller take upon returning to Kiev? Be specific.*  
* DUE: Case Write-Up Option #1: Wolfgang Keller |
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**March 12**

**SPRING BREAK: Class will not meet.**

### Decision making in a cross-cultural context

Ethics and social responsibility in the global setting

**Values in tension:** Prepare to be randomly called on to lead discussions on one of the following questions:

1. What are the examples of ethical relativism and ethical absolutism?
2. What are the three principles for balancing the extreme views?
3. What are the problems caused by bribery?
4. Regarding the creative solutions companies generated when facing a ethical dilemma, will they work and what are the difficulties to implement them?

**IKEA’s global sourcing challenge: Indian rugs and child labor:** Prepare to be randomly called on to lead discussions on one of the following questions:

1. How should Marianne Barner respond to the invitation for IKEA to have a representative appear on the upcoming broadcast of the German video program?
2. What actions should she take regarding the IKEA supply contract with Rangan Exports?
3. What long-term strategy would you suggest she take regarding IKEA’s continued operation in India? Should the company stay or should it exit? (Be prepared to describe the impact of such a decision and how you would manage it)
4. Only for those recommending that IKEA continue to source carpets in India, would you suggest that she: 1) continue IKEA’s own monitoring and control processes or sign-up to Rugmark?

- Chapter 9

- Coursepack article: *Values in tension: Ethics away from home*

- DUE: Case Write-Up Option #2: IKEA’s global sourcing challenge
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General Policies

Make-up exams are strongly discouraged. The only valid excuse for missing an exam are illness requiring medical care, required university activities, or a personal emergency of a serious nature (I will be the judge of the validity of the excuse). To be excused without penalty, documentation (e.g. a physician’s note on letterhead, a photocopied obituary with proof of kinship, a police report [e.g. car accident]) or prior permission is required. Forgetting, part-time job, or oversleeping are not valid excuses. If you do not reach me by phone (do not leave a message for this matter), then you must e-mail me and receive a confirmation from me acknowledging receipt of the e-mail.

Mutual respect: I have very low tolerance for those who disrupt the class with (1) frequent tardiness, (2) cell phones or beepers, (3) talking while others have the floor, (4) checking personal emails, browsing the Internet, reading magazines or newspapers in class or (5) other disruptive behavior.

Flexibility: The syllabus is a guide for the semester and may be changed during the semester should that be deemed necessary or worthwhile by the instructor. Any changes will be announced by me during class, via e-mail, or on the Blackboard.

Academic integrity: The faculty of the W. P. Carey School of Business follow the guidelines in the Student Academic Integrity Policy on academic dishonesty. A copy of the policy may be obtained in the undergraduate programs office, BA 109. Students who violate the academic integrity norms are subject to disciplinary action, including the possibility of failing the course and/or dismissal from the Program. Please know that there have been instances where students were dismissed for unethical practices. I would strongly encourage you to reread ASU and W. P. Carey School of Business policies and procedures on academic integrity. http://provost.asu.edu/academicintegrity

Plagiarism or other academic dishonesty (i.e., cheating) will result in a failing grade for the assignment and possibly for the course, and referral to the appropriate academic standards bodies on campus. Understand that plagiarism can include copying or using material from web sites and materials written by other students as well as copying or using material from books, newspapers or journal articles without proper attribution. A full statement of ASU policies and resources for these issues are provided via external links in the Course Information section of the course site. You are responsible for the information contained therein.

Assisting other students and groups in questionable activities. It is expected that you will not assist other students in their questionable activities. For example, if it is found that you are assisting a fellow student in answering his/her question, both of you will be equally liable to face disciplinary action.

Unfair peer evaluations. You will be asked to evaluate contribution of your peers to team projects. Since peer evaluations form an important component of the overall grade, it is critical that you provide an honest and careful assessment of your teammates’ contribution. Unfair peer evaluations include awarding fewer points than justified. But, awarding extra points without proper justification is equally unfair.

Course feedback: At the conclusion of the course you will be requested to provide feedback to the instructor regarding various aspects of the course. While this is useful, it obviously comes too late in the semester to correct any problems that are occurring during the semester. In order to address your concerns during the semester, I encourage you to provide feedback throughout the course, either written or oral.

Religious Accommodations
Accommodations will be made for students with religious holidays. Below is the calendar of official religious holidays. Each holiday noted with two asterisks denotes an observance for which work is not allowed. For
these holidays, students will not be penalized in any way for missing class or assignment. This means that this will not count as an absence in class and they will be granted a makeup assignment or exam, etc. https://provost.asu.edu/index.php?q=religious-holiday-calendar

University-Sanctioned Activities
Accommodations will be made for students who miss class related to university-sanctioned activities according to ACID 304-02.
If you are participating in a university-sanctioned activity, please let your instructor know as early in the course as possible so that accommodations can be made.

Tutoring Support
State any tutoring services or support that would be helpful to your students.
Please note that the W. P. Carey School of Business provides free tutoring in BA 201 for a number of undergraduate business classes. Assistance with writing is also provided. More information regarding courses offered and hours are available here: https://my.wpcarey.asu.edu/undergrad/student-success/student-success-center.cfm?
In addition to the W. P. Carey Student Success Center, Arizona State University provides writing assistance through multiple platforms – including in class workshops (within your course!). More information can be found here: http://studentsuccess.asu.edu/writingcenters

Threatening Behavior Policy
The university takes threatening behavior very seriously and these situations will be handled in accordance with the Student Services Manual, SSM 102-02 http://www.asu.edu/aad/manuals/ssm/ssm102-02.html.

Disability Accomodations
If you have a disability and are registered with ASU’s Disability Resource Center please notify me as soon as possible so that I can provide any necessary accommodations as prescribed by the DRC.

Copyright Material
Note your policy on copyright material and the sale of notes in your classes, etc.

Information contained within this syllabus (except grading and absence policies) is subject to change.
Appendix A: Team Présentation I Evaluation Form (10 Points)

Team Number: __________________

Countries Analyzed: ___________________________ Referee’s name ______________________

1. **Content Grade (7 points)**
   (Extent to which the team addressed EACH of the listed content areas thoroughly and thoughtfully) –

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2. **Delivery Grade (1.5 points)**
   (Extent to which the presentation was creative and engaging, both in terms of the oral and visual components of the presentation) – 20% of presentation grade;
   
   - Comments:

3. **Preparedness Grade (1.5 points)**
   (Extent to which the team was well prepared to answer questions about their presentation, including addressing issues not explicitly covered on, but related to, their presentation) – 20% of presentation grade.
   
   - Comments:

**OVERALL POINTS: ____________________________**

Presentations’ performance will be evaluated by the Instructor and a few randomly-selected Student Referees. The final score will be the average across the evaluators.
Appendix B: Team Presentation II Managing Expatriates Evaluation Form (20 Points)

Team Number: ___________________________  Referee’s name ___________________________

Company Represented: ___________________________

City Expatriates Sent To: ___________________________

1. Content Grade (15 points)
(Extent to which the team addressed EACH of the listed content areas thoroughly and thoughtfully) –

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2. Delivery Grade (2.5 points)
(Extent to which the presentation was creative and engaging, both in terms of the oral and visual components of the presentation).

- Comments:

3. Preparedness Grade (2.5 points)
(Extent to which the team was prepared to answer questions about their presentation well, including addressing issues not explicitly covered on, but related to, their presentation).

- Comments:

OVERALL POINTS:
Presentations’ performance will be evaluated by the Instructor and a few randomly-selected Student Referees. The final score will be the average across the evaluators.
APPENDIX C: TEAM EVALUATION SHEET

NAME: ________________________

Use this form to evaluate the contributions that your team members made to the overall performance of the group. This will be used to adjust the group portion of each person's grade. As such, individual grades of group work can be either above or below the actual group. If you do not turn this form in when a group project is due, I will assume that you rate each member of your group equally.

Note that you are not evaluating your own contributions, but the contributions of the others in your group. You may comment on your own performance in the "additional comments" section.

In the section below, list the names of group members. Next to that, allocate points to each member, based on their contribution.

- You have a total number of 10 points per team member (other than yourself). Thus, points = (# of group members - 1) \times 10; for example, a team of six will have 50 points to allocate. Keep in mind that 10 points is the average rating. If you allocate 10 points to each member, you are saying that each person contributed equally.

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Additional Comments:
APPENDIX D: CONTRIBUTION TO CLASS DISCUSSION
Managers must often “sell” their ideas to others in order to get their acceptance and support. In this course, the classroom provides a laboratory in which you can test your ability to convince your peers of the appropriateness of your approach to complex management problems. Furthermore, it tests your ability to carefully listen to others’ perspectives and understand why they may reach a different conclusion. Before you can effectively sell your ideas to others, you must understand what is motivating them, what issues they feel are important, and what assumptions they are making that may be different from your own.

Most of your learning will occur in preparation for and participating in the case discussions. To enhance your preparation and learning, I strongly encourage you to form study groups to discuss the cases prior to class. To guide you in your preparation, this syllabus includes discussion questions for each case.

As noted earlier, the complexity of the course material relies heavily on discussion learning. This process allows the cumulative insights of your colleagues to contribute to the evolution of the class’s learning. Thus, the entire class learning experience relies on each of you taking responsibility for contributing to the discussion. In order to do so, it is imperative that each of you be present and fully prepared each day. Consequently, excessive absences or tardiness will result in a significantly lower grade for this component.

As is the case with real world work environments, you are judged not by what you know but by what you contribute. Even if you feel that you know the material, unless you share your insights with the class, I cannot adequately evaluate your preparedness and contribution. Students are never penalized for making comments that don’t appear to be the “right answer.” It is only through consideration of many diverse opinions and viewpoints that we will move toward a greater shared understanding of the multi-dimensional material that this course entails.

For some students, advocating or challenging a position during class is uncomfortable. However, research has shown that most of a manager’s day-to-day duties require discussions with others and interactive problem solving in real time. The skills needed to contribute to the class discussion are the same as those needed to be an effective manager.

It is expected that you will come to class each day fully prepared to share your views in the classroom discussion, whether voluntarily or when called upon. You have an obligation not only to learn the material but also to assist in the learning of your classmates. To do so, you must make a meaningful contribution when you have the floor. Blandly summarizing case facts, repeating prior points of discussion and/or simply agreeing with your classmate’s arguments does not constitute a meaningful contribution. Focus on making comments that pass the “so-what” test. This can range from helping to sort out the salient facts in a complex case to providing insightful analysis that builds upon the prior discussion and moves our thinking forward.

Every student is important to the class discussion. It is equally important that we listen carefully to one another and attempt to build on or constructively critique prior comments. Try to resist the temptation to jump to topics that are not specifically open for discussion. Some of the specific things that will have an impact on effective class participation and on which you will be evaluated include:

- Are you a good listener?
- Are your contributions relevant to the discussion? Do your comments related to the comments of others and to the themes that the class is exploring together?
- Do your comments add to our understanding of the situation? Are you incisive? Do you cut to the core of the problem?
- Are you willing to challenge the ideas that are being expressed? Can you do so in a manner that is respectful and not contentious?
- Are you willing to test new ideas, or are all comments “safe”? (For example, repetition of case facts without analysis or conclusions, or repeating comments already made by someone else.)
- Do you integrate material from past classes or the readings where appropriate? Do your comments reflect cumulative learning over the course and the MBA curriculum, or does the participant merely consider each case in isolation?

In grading class contribution, we will be assessing the extent to which you have established a meaningful presence in the classroom, over the course of the semester, by making solid contributions on a regular basis. Your friends in other sections, who have already discussed the case in class, may offer to assist you with understanding the case, or you might be tempted to research what happened to the company after the case was written. Engaging in such activities is strongly discouraged. Not only does it impair your learning, but it will also disrupt your section’s learning when you speak up in class. It is important for the class to work through the issues based on case facts. Collective reasoning and discovery are critical to the success of the case method.
Your class contributions will be graded each day. In addition to your professor’s assessment, peer graders will also evaluate each case discussion. This means that each student in the course will be evaluated on his/her contribution to the class discussion by both his/her professor and his/her peers. Grades will be based on the value-added of your contribution. Quality is much more important than quantity, although a lack of contribution will negatively affect your grade. **Please note that students who leave class early will be penalized on their participation grades for that class.** People within organizations are evaluated on the value they add to the experience of customers, suppliers, and co-workers, not just their boss. Class contribution is about creating value for the class as a whole, not just trying to tell your professor what you think he/she wants to hear.

A few closing tips for meaningful class contribution:

- Trust your own experiences. The course is designed to give you a theoretical framework for making sense of your everyday work experiences. Draw on your experiences to interpret material and illustrate your arguments. Equally important, be prepared to reinterpret your experiences in light of new insights gained from the course.

- Be aware of your own values and biases. "Where you stand depends on where you sit." Your values inevitably influence how you perceive and interpret situations. Rather than deny or hide them, make them explicit (at least to yourself).

- Value the contributions of others. There is never a one-best-way to manage, and different people often come to different conclusions about how they would handle a problem. You can learn as much from listening to your classmates as you can from any book.

- Do not be satisfied with shallow analysis and pat answers of your own, your classmates, or your professor. In the interests of saving time and making a point, we often gloss over subtleties: if something does not sound right, then it probably is not right.

**Scoring class contribution will be done on the following scale each class day:**

- 1 points, reflects an “A” contribution. Very insightful comments, and/or exceptional value added to the discussion, or raised particularly relevant but so far overlooked question. Reflected a great deal of preparation, thought, and integration of text concepts, work from other courses, ideas from other class contributors and cases.

- 0.75 points, reflects a “A-/B+” contribution. Comments reflected good preparation, tied together various streams of ideas offered by other contributors, contributed substantially to the discussion and learning of the class.

- 0.5 points, reflects a “B” contribution. Average preparation, simple commentary, helped move the discussion along with an incremental advancement over previous comments.

- 0.25 points, reflects a “C” contribution. Statement of case facts.

- An absence will result in 0 points.
APPENDIX E: INDIVIDUAL CASE ANALYSIS

You will be asked to write one individual case analysis (you will have a choice of two and need to hand in the analysis at the beginning of class the day we discuss the case). Analyze the case to the best of your ability. While there is no one right way to analyze a case, you should address three core topics:

1. Identify the strategic issues in this case

   a. A strategic issue is any issue that has the potential to fundamentally affect the company's competitive position, its strategy, its operations and its prospects. Typically, it is the issue addressing which resolves all other issues. More importantly, the number of strategic issues facing an organization is limited in number - at the most there are two or three such issues. Prioritize. Look not at the symptoms but the underlying cause.

   b. To identify the strategic issues one needs to examine the firm’s competitive positioning. The firm's competitive positioning is arrived at after an analysis of the firm's environment (industry analysis), the firm's resources and capabilities (internal analysis) and the firm's strategies and its outcome. The strategic issue is something that has the potential to affect the firm's competitive positioning and may be due to changes in the environment, internal resources and capabilities, questionable strategies and the like.

   c. Third, to examine the competitive position you need to consider all relevant information in the case. Question any hidden assumptions. Make explicit all assumptions you make in order to arrive at your conclusions. Assess your logic and arguments for coherence and consistency.

2. Identify alternative courses of action

   a. The relevant alternatives are those that most directly address the strategic issues that you have identified in the first step. The relevant alternatives should be based on the analysis that you have performed earlier. In other words they must be consistent with the industry analysis, the internal analysis and the firm's strategies that you have identified.

   b. Second, examine whether these alternatives are really alternatives. In other words, can the firm simultaneously undertake one or two or all of the alternatives? Some decisions like a Make or Buy decision are truly mutually exclusive. On the other hand, in some other cases a firm may not be able to pursue all alternatives because the firm does not have the resources and capabilities.

3. Evaluate the alternatives and recommend one course of action. Justify your decision.

   a. To recommend any one of the alternatives that you identified in the earlier step you need to evaluate all the alternatives. What are the pros and cons of each alternative? Why are some alternatives not feasible options for the firm? It is this analysis that enables you to identify and recommend the alternative that you think best addresses the strategic issue that you have identified. Present your recommendations with specific implementation details and support your decision by arguing its merits vis-à-vis the alternatives.

Evaluate your entire analysis in terms of its consistency, coherence, brevity and logic. Does it make any assumptions that you have not made explicit? Is the information used factually correct? Are the conclusions justifiable? Are they based on opinions, personal beliefs or logic and facts?

Additionally, in preparing your paper there are several common errors to avoid:

- **Focusing on minor issues** on which there is little data. Let the case facts and questions guide you to the selection of issues. If there is little or no data on an issue, you can identify it as being potentially important, but do not dwell on it in the analysis.

- **Rehashing the case.** Someone has already written the case, and the instructor has certainly read it. Do not summarize the case; begin by stating the key issues. Present facts from the case to support your line of reasoning.
• **Drawing conclusions without providing the data to back them up.** Don’t make unsupported statements or draw conclusions that the available data does not, or cannot support.

• **Drawing generic conclusions.** For example, all companies need to be profitable and to satisfy their customers. For each case, show clearly what this particular company needs to do so that it resolves the issues specific to its competitive situation, available resources, management objectives, etc.

• **Non-critical evaluation of case data.** Before using a “fact” presented in the case, ask if it was collected in a sound manner, is unbiased, and directly relevant to the issue. Qualify conclusions reached by considering the quality of the data on which conclusions are based.

• **Failure to provide a rationale for eliminating alternatives not selected.** It is important to show that the recommended course of action is likely to deal effectively with the problems identified. It is equally important to provide a rationale for dismissing other alternatives as less effective or desirable.

• **Failure to present analytical work in an understandable manner.** When doing computations, be sure that you present the step-by-step analysis you conducted, including data sources and the formulas you used. This kind of information should be presented as exhibits.

• **Fuzzy recommendations.** Avoid making recommendations that lack clarity, are impractical, are not integrated into the analysis, fail to address a key issue in the case, or fail to recognize the importance of short and long-term timing issues. Provide viable, specific, actionable recommendations.

• **Incomplete analyses.** Incorrect computations, improper use of data, making inappropriate assumptions; or failure to draw on theories and techniques presented in this course.

ALWAYS PROVIDE AN EXECUTIVE SUMMARY. CASE WRITE-UPS SHOULD BE FIVE PAGES IN LENGTH, SINGLE-SPACED, AND WITH 1” MARGINS.
W. P. Carey School of Business Undergraduate Student Honor Code

The mission of the W. P. Carey School of Business is to change lives through delivering a business education, while adhering to the highest standards of academic and personal integrity. To achieve this, the W. P. Carey School of Business is committed to fostering an atmosphere of personal responsibility, trust, honor, and academic excellence for its students both on and off campus.

1. Honesty and Faithful Representation: W. P. Carey undergraduate students will be honest and act with integrity in all their interactions and decisions. Students will follow the Arizona State University Code of Conduct and the W. P. Carey School of Business Academic Integrity Policies during all academic and extracurricular activities.

2. Thoughtfulness and Consideration for Others: W. P. Carey undergraduate students will treat their peers, ASU staff, and faculty with respect and courtesy. Students should strive to add value to the university environment by helping and encouraging others, fostering intellectual dialogue, and promoting justice. By respecting others and articulating thoughtful input, students will continue to improve the image of business and business leaders.

3. Commitment to the W. P. Carey Mission: W. P. Carey undergraduate students should understand and recognize the value of cultivating an intrinsic desire to promote ethical and successful business practice. This means that students should implement their acquired knowledge with the intention of greatly enhancing their own business and social environments. In this sense, W. P. Carey students will become positive and responsible role models in their respective communities.

This document and the referenced University Policies are not abstract concepts: students are expected to remain resolute in abiding by these principles, in both letter and spirit. The business community, and society as a whole, will excel only when individuals make concerted efforts to live by standards of ethical conduct and responsibility.

As students in the W. P. Carey School of Business at Arizona State University, it is our job to understand that our actions are habits in the making – not isolated behaviors – and that these habits form our long-term character.

I will abide by these principles and conduct myself as a positive and ethical representative of the W. P. Carey School of Business. I will continually strive for excellence in each of my endeavors and seek to add value and contribute to my community.

Signature                                      Date

Printed Name

Chapters used:
Chapter 2 Culture and International Management
Chapter 7 Motivation
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