**FORM A:**

**Course Outline of BC2410**

**Prescriptive Analytics: From Data to Decisions**

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| **Academic Year** | AY2021-22 | **Semester** | 2 |
| **Course Coordinator** | Dr. Tang Qinshen | | |
| **Course Code** | BC2410 | | |
| **Course Title** | Prescriptive Analytics: From Data to Decisions | | |
| **Pre-requisites** | BC0401 or AB0403 or MH1201 or MH1403 or CE1103 or SC1003or CZ1103 or CE2002, or CZ2002, SC2002 | | |
| **No of AUs** | 4 | | |
| **Contact Hours** | 52 hrs (13 weeks × 4 hrs) | | |
| **Office Hours** | 2-4 pm, Thursday (S3-B1B-56 or Zoom)  Zoom: <https://ntu-sg.zoom.us/j/91641090709>  Meeting ID: 916 4109 0709  Passcode: 668352 | | |
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| **A) Course Aims** | | | |
| In this era of big data, many companies and public organizations invest heavily in various flavors of analytics: descriptive, predictive, and prescriptive. Among them, prescriptive analytics goes beyond what happened (descriptive analytics), what will happen (predictive analytics), and provides insights into what to do to help companies and public organizations make better decisions.  This course aims to introduce students to the theory and applications of prescriptive analytics: how to go from data to optimal decision-making. It contains two principal components (1) Data-driven optimization theories and techniques and (2) Important business applications in finance, investment, and operations management.  Optimization theories such as linear optimization, discrete optimization, network optimization, quadratic optimization, stochastic optimization, and robust optimization will be covered in this course, with applications in portfolio selection, asset allocation, risk management, revenue management, pricing and hedging of options, asset/liability management, appointment scheduling, retail operations, inventory management, and assets repositioning in a sharing economy.  We will also place a specific focus on analyzing real data and solving optimization models using Python with commercial solver Gurobi\*.  \* Academic version is free. | | | |
| **B) Intended Learning Outcomes (ILO)/Objectives** | | | |
| By the end of this course, you (as a student) would be able to:   1. Gain an overall knowledge of what prescriptive analytics is and identify business problems that can be addressed by prescriptive analytics. 2. Apply analytical tools to analyse varying kinds of data and find underlying patterns. 3. Identify problems for business cases based on the analysed data. 4. Model the problems with data-driven optimization tools. 5. Solve optimization problems using programming, e.g., Python, with commercial solver Gurobi. 6. Formulate a strategy to apply analytical tools to make real-world decisions. 7. Make a case for the role and importance of prescriptive analytics.   *See Annex F for learning objective taxonomy.* | | | |
| **C) Course Content** | | | |
| The course consists of five modules. You will be offered some real data set for each module and will study techniques to analyze data, build and solve optimization models. In the first week of the course, you will learn the basic concepts of prescriptive analytics and review elementary linear algebra. In the following three weeks, you will start to explore linear optimization and its applications in asset cash flow matching, production planning, and asset pricing. The second module is integer programming, in which you will learn how to optimize the combinatorial auction problem and the Lockbox problem. Module 3 is about network optimization and its applications in sharing economy and product assortment. You will know how to make portfolio decisions in module 4---quadratic optimization. The last module focuses on how to make decisions when in an uncertain environment. Dynamic programming, stochastic optimization, and robust optimization will be covered, with their applications in optimal option pricing, asset management, and inventory management, respectively. | | | |
| **D) Assessment (includes both continuous and summative assessment)** | | | |
| **Assessment for face-to-face or hybrid teaching**   |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Component** | **ILO Tested** | **NBS Learning Goal (Refer to Appendix 1 for list)** | **Weightage** | **Team/Individual** | **Assessment Rubrics (attach rubrics in appendix)** | | 1. Class Participation | ILO1 - 7 | Oral Communication; Critical Thinking | 10% | Individual | See Rubric 1, Rubric 3 | | 1. Group Assignment+ | ILO2 - 5 | Teamwork & Interpersonal Skills; Problem Solving; Acquisition of Knowledge | 20% | Team | See Rubric 2 and Rubric 4 | | 1. Group Project (written report 20% + in-class presentation 10%\*+) | ILO2-7 | Teamwork & Interpersonal Skills; Problem-solving & Decision making;  Oral Communication | 30% | Team (20%) + Individual (10%) | See Rubric 2 , Rubric 3, and Rubric 4 | | 1. Final Examination*^^* | ILO2, ILO4, ILO5, ILO6 | Problem-solving;  Acquisition of Knowledge | 40% | Individual | N.A | | Total | | | 100% |  |  |   \*Group project: Students to do group presentation during week 13. Every team member is required to present.  +Peer evaluation will be incorporated. Peer evaluation will adopt the use of Rubrics 4 to assess individual team member’s contribution to be submitted through NTULearn. It will be a mandatory submission for all students. Each student is required to fill in the contribution of all team members in the same group. Should the contribution be significantly unequal, assignment/project marks of individual student will be weighted accordingly to peer evaluation input from group members according to the instruction in page 12 in this document.  **Description of Assessment Components:**  **Group Assignments**: There will be 3-5 group assignments for this class. You are required to solve 2-5 problems as a team for each assignment. The group assignments are designed to prepare you well for analyzing data and modeling real world problems.  **Group Project:** The project for this class is to do careful modeling and optimization of a real application. Choose a problem to address that is of particular interest to your group. Your project should include a clearly defined business problem, assumptions, model setting, optimization formulation, and computational results. Each group would have to present and submit the report, including the code after the presentation but within same week.  All parts of the project will be primarily evaluated in the following aspects:  a. Innovation: is the problem interesting and new?  b. Relevance: are the problem and model practical?  c. Rigor: is the model formulation correct?  **Assessment for online teaching**   |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Component** | **ILO Tested** | **NBS Learning Goal (Refer to Appendix 1 for list)** | **Weightage** | **Team/**  **Individual** | **Assessment Rubrics (attach rubrics in appendix)** | | 1. Class Participation | ILO1 - 7 | Oral Communication; Critical Thinking | 10% | Individual | See Rubric 1, | | 1. Group Assignments+ | ILO2 - 5 | Teamwork & Interpersonal Skills;  Problem Solving; Acquisition of Knowledge | 20% | Team | See Rubric 2 and Rubric 4 | | 1. Mid-Term Quiz | ILO2, ILO4, ILO5, ILO6 | Problem Solving; Acquisition of Knowledge | 30% | Individual | N.A | | 1. Individual Project (individual presentation 10% + written report 30%) | ILO2-7 | Acquisition of Knowledge; Problem-solving & Decision making | 40% | Individual | See Rubric 2 | | Total | | | 100% |  |  |   +Peer evaluation will be incorporated. Peer evaluation will adopt the use of Rubrics 4 to assess individual team member’s contribution to be submitted through NTULearn. It will be a mandatory submission for all students. Each student is required to fill in the contribution of all team members in the same group. Should the contribution be significantly unequal, marks of individual student will be weighted accordingly to peer evaluation input from group members according to the instruction in page 12 in this document.  **Description of Assessment Components:**  **Group Assignments:** There will be 3-5 group assignments for this class. You are required to solve 2-5 problems as a team for each assignment. The group assignments are designed to prepare you well for analyzing data and modeling real world problems.  **Individual Project:** The individual project for this class is to do careful modeling and optimization of a real application. Choose a problem to address that is of particular interest to you. Your project should include a clearly defined business problem, assumptions, model setting, optimization formulation, and computational results. You would have to present the project first and then submit the report, including the code.  All parts of the project will be primarily evaluated in the following aspects:  a. Innovation: is the problem interesting and new?  b. Relevance: are the problem and model practical?  c. Rigor: is the model formulation correct? | | | |
| **E) Formative feedback** | | | |
| **Formative feedback for online teaching**  You are required to participate in in-class discussions and will be accessed based on your participation and the quality of your inputs. You will receive verbal feedback during and after the in-class discussion. Assignments will be graded, answer keys will not be provided, but common mistakes and weaknesses will be reviewed in class. For the mid-term quiz, grades will be distributed, but answer keys will not be provided. Common mistakes and weaknesses will be reviewed in class after the mid-term quiz. Group peer evaluation is mandatory at the end of the semester.  **Formative feedback for face-to-face or hybrid teaching**  You are required to participate in classroom discussions and will be accessed based on your participation and the quality of your inputs. You will receive verbal feedback during and after the in-class discussion. Assignments will be graded, answer keys will not be provided, but common mistakes and weaknesses will be reviewed in class. You will receive feedback on your group project in one week after the in-class presentation. Group peer evaluation is mandatory at the end of the semester. | | | |
| **F) Learning and Teaching approach** | | | |
| |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Approach** | **How does this approach support you in achieving the learning outcomes?** | | Lectures and classroom discussions | Most of the classes will be conducted via the “Lectures and Classroom Discussions” approach. Lectures will facilitate me to articulate the key concepts and methodologies in prescriptive analytics; Classroom discussions will demonstrate your learning progress, allowing you to share your intuitions, to express your difficulties in understanding the content, and it also provides me opportunities to assess your ability to think critically and articulate clearly. | | Case Studies | Case studies will focus on the applications of the analytics tools and methodologies of mathematical formulation. The roles of the instructors are to facilitate discussion and to guide you to apply the concepts and theories. You are expected to adopt, adapt and synthesize the acquired concepts and theories into real business problems. | | Group Project | Each group has approximately four students. You are required to choose a business problem to address that is of particular interest to you. The project should be careful modeling and optimization of a real application. This project will comprehensively demonstrate your ability to identify and define business problems, make assumptions clearly, and formulate optimization models properly. Through the group project, you will have a deep understanding of the role and importance of prescriptive analytics. | | Exercises | Exercises, both in-class and off-class, not only help build the fundamental technical knowledge required for this course, but also help develop your individual learning abilities and attitudes toward active learning. Answers for in-class exercises will be provided after the discussion, but answers for off-class exercises will not be offered. | | | | |
| **G) Reading and References** | | | |
| Recommended books:   * [CR] Gerard Cornuejols and Reha Tütüncü. *Optimization Methods in Finance*. Vol. 5. Cambridge University Press. * [H] Frederick S. Hillier. *Introduction to Operations Research*. Tata McGraw-Hill Education, 2012. * [AW] Christian Albright and Wayne L. Winston. *Business Analytics: Data Analysis and Decision Making*. Cangage Learning, 2015. * [BOP] Dimitris Bertsimas, Allison O'Hair and Bill Pulleyblank. *The Analytics Edge*, Dynamic Ideas, 2016. ISBN: 978-0989910897. * [G] Gilbert Strang. *Introduction to Linear Algebra*. 5th ed. Wellesley, MA: Wellesley-Cambridge Press, February 2016. ISBN: 9780980232776   Other Materials:  Lecture slides, exercises, assignments, and other course materials will be made available on the course website (**NTULearn)** in due time. You shall be notified via university email whenever new materials are available. The course website will also be used for announcements and other course communication purposes. You are therefore encouraged to regularly check the course website and your university email account for any updates. | | | |
| **H) Course Policies and Student Responsibilities** | | | |
| (1) General  You are expected to complete all assigned pre-class readings and activities, attend all seminar classes punctually, and take all scheduled assignments and tests by due dates. You are expected to take responsibility to follow up with course notes, assignments, and course-related announcements for seminar sessions they have missed. You are expected to participate in all seminar discussions and activities.  (2) Absenteeism  Absence from class without a valid reason will affect your overall course grade. Valid reasons include falling sick supported by a medical certificate and participation in NTU’s approved activities supported by an excuse letter from the relevant bodies.  If you miss a lecture, you must inform the course instructor via email prior to the start of the class. | | | |
| **I) Academic Integrity** | | | |
| Good academic work depends on honesty and ethical behaviour. The quality of your work as a student relies on adhering to the principles of academic integrity and to the NTU Honour Code, a set of values shared by the whole university community. Truth, Trust and Justice are at the core of NTU’s shared values.  As a student, it is important that you recognize your responsibilities in understanding and applying the principles of academic integrity in all the work you do at NTU. Not knowing what is involved in maintaining academic integrity does not excuse academic dishonesty. You need to actively equip yourself with strategies to avoid all forms of academic dishonesty, including plagiarism, academic fraud, collusion and cheating. If you are uncertain of the definitions of any of these terms, you should go to the [academic integrity website](https://www.ntu.edu.sg/life-at-ntu/student-life/student-conduct) for more information. Consult your instructor(s) if you need any clarification about the requirements of academic integrity in the course. | | | |
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| **J) Course Instructors** | | | |
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| **K) Planned Weekly Schedule** | | | |
| |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Week** | **Topic** | **ILO** | **Readings/ Activities** | | 1 | Introduction to prescriptive analytics | 1,5,7 | Lecture slides  BOP, Chapter 1.  G, Chapter 1 & 2 | | 2 | Linear optimization theory: Asset/liability cash flow matching | 1,2,3,4,6 | Lecture slides  CR, Chapter 3 | | 3 | Duality theory:  Production planning problem | 2,3,4,5,6 | Lecture slides  CR, Chapter 2  H, Chapter 6 | | 4 | Sensitive analysis:  Asset pricing and arbitrage | 2,3,4,5,6 | Lecture slides  CR, Chapter 4 | | 5 | Discrete optimization: Combinatorial auctions and the Lockbox problem | 1,2,3,4,6 | Lecture slides  H, Chapter 12  CR, Chapter 12 | | 6 | Network optimization:  Repositioning assets in a sharing economy | 1,2,3,4,6 | Lecture slides  H, Chapter 10 | | 7 | Network optimization:  Product assortment decision and recommendation | 1,2,3,4,6 | Lecture slides  H, Chapter 10 | | 8 | Network optimization (e-Learning) | 2,3,4,5,6 | Lecture slides  Online video | | 9 | Quadratic optimization: Portfolio optimization | 1,2,3,4,6 | Lecture slides  CR, Chapter 7 & 8 | | 10 | Dynamic programming:  Optimal option pricing | 2,3,4,5,6 | Lecture slides  H, Chapter 11  CR, Chapter 14 | | 11 | Stochastic optimization: Asset/liability management | 1,2,3,4,6 | Lecture slides  CR, Chapter 16 | | 12 | Robust optimization: Robust portfolio selection and inventory management | 2,3,4,5,6 | Lecture slides  CR, Chapter 19 & 20 | | 13 | Group/Individual project presentations | 2,3,4,5,6,7 |  | | | | |
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**Rubric 1: Class Participation**

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| **Traits** | **Performance** | | |
| **Lacking**  **(0-4)** | **Good**  **(5-7)** | **Excellent**  **(8-10)** |
| **Participation frequency** | Does not contribute in lesson | Occasionally contributes in lesson | Contributes in all lessons |
| **Participation quality** | No contributions/Contributions lack substance | Contributions demonstrate knowledge of subject matter | Contributions demonstrate understanding and insightful |

**Rubric 2: Assignments, Individual Project, and Group Project**

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| **Traits** | **Performance** | |
| **Define the Problem** | **Not Yet**  Does not identify the problem clearly; demonstrates limited understanding of the problem or related contextual factors. | **Substantially Developed**  Identifies the problem clearly and thoroughly; demonstrates the ability to construct a clear and insightful problem statement with evidence of all relevant contextual factors. |
| **Evaluation:** Not Yet 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Substantially Developed | |
| **Devise Strategies to Solve the Problem** | **Not Yet**  Selects a strategy without regard to fit; does not demonstrate the ability to consider new strategies even if his/her approach is clearly not appropriate; identifies alternatives that reflect limited understanding of the situation. | **Substantially Developed**  Identifies multiple strategies for solving the problem that apply within a specific context; demonstrates the ability to invert a process to form a plan and clearly articulates his/her decision-making process; identifies alternatives that reflect an in depth understanding of the situation. |
| **Evaluation:** Not Yet 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Substantially Developed | |
| **Assess implementation feasibility** | **Not Yet**  Does not examine how well the stakeholders/ beneficiaries are involved and not able to identify areas of risk and possible side-effects. Does not specify how the implementation will be monitored and controlled. No indicators or instruments to review or analyze the success of the action. | **Substantially Developed**  Clearly assess how well the stakeholders/ beneficiaries are involved; considers areas of risk and provides insights in addressing possible side-effects. Able to state how the implementation will be monitored effectively; identifies the stages at which progress should be measured and specify what results are expected to have been achieved at these stages. |
| **Evaluation:** Not Yet 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Substantially Developed | |
| **Evaluate Outcomes** | **Not Yet**  Reviews results superficially in terms of the problem defined with no consideration of need for further work. | **Substantially Developed**  Reviews results relative to the problem defined with thorough, specific considerations of need for further work. |
| **Evaluation:** Not Yet 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Substantially Developed | |

**Rubric 3: Presentation**

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| **Traits** | | **Performance** | |
| **Communication Outcome** | * Has a clear message for audience * Maximizes likelihood of audience accepting the message | **Not Yet**  Central message is not explicitly stated in the presentation. Main points are not clearly identified, audience unsure of the direction of the message. | **Substantially Developed**  Central message is precisely stated; main points are clearly identified. |
| **Evaluation:**  Not Yet 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Substantially Developed | |
| **Situational Factors** | * Addresses audience needs * Builds rapport with audience | **Not Yet**  Topic is irrelevant to audience needs and interest. No attempt made to connect topic to audience. | **Substantially Developed**  Connection of topic to audience needs and interest is stated with sophistication. Identifies and expresses a deep understanding of the target audience. |
| **Evaluation:**  Not Yet 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Substantially Developed | |
| **Design Factors** | **Content**   * Presents relevant information * Supports main points with strong evidence | **Not Yet**  Content is erroneous or irrelevant; references and supporting materials are absent. Lacks of depth in content and little insights are exhibited. Presentation falls outside set time parameters. | **Substantially Developed**  Content is accurate, thorough, and directly on point; strong support and references are provided. Exhibits depth and insight in content. Effective use of time and stays within time parameters. |
| **Evaluation:**  Not Yet 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Substantially Developed | |
| **Structure**   * Organises content coherently * Signals transitions between points | **Not Yet**  Organizational pattern (specific introduction and conclusion, sequenced materials within the body, and transitions) is not observable. | **Substantially Developed**  Organizational pattern is clearly and consistently observable and makes the content of the presentation cohesive. |
| **Evaluation:**  Not Yet 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Substantially Developed | |
| **Verbal**   * Speaks at appropriate speed and volume * Uses correct grammar and pronunciation | **Not Yet**  Grammar, pronunciation and word choice are deficient. Vocal delivery is too soft or too fast to understand; gap-fillers interfere with expression. | **Substantially Developed**  Free of errors in grammar and pronunciation; good choices of word enhance clarity of expression. Vocal delivery is varied and dynamic. Speech rate, volume, and tone facilitate audience comprehension. Minimal gap fillers. |
| **Evaluation:**  Not Yet 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Substantially Developed | |
| **Non-Verbal**   * Establishes eye contact * Uses gestures and movement to convey energy and confidence | **Not Yet**  Eye contact, posture, gestures, movement and facial expressions are inappropriate and significantly distracting. | **Substantially Developed**  Eye contact, posture, gestures, movement and facial expressions make the presentation compelling, and speaker appears polished and confident. |
| **Evaluation:**  Not Yet 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Substantially Developed | |

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**Rubric 4: Peer Evaluation**

**Peer Evaluation Instructions**

All members are required to complete a peer evaluation for each member of the team (i.e., including a self-assessment). The completed peer evaluation form must be submitted individually to the instructor immediately after the team project has been submitted for grading (For the group-assignment, students must submit individually the completed peer evaluation form immediately after the last assignment has been submitted for grading). Identity of appraisers will be kept **confidential** and will not be revealed to other team members.

We may use a member’s ratings (on a scale ranging from 1 to 7) to award marks for the team project to other members by computing the average rating that a member receives from other members (i.e., excluding each member’s self-rating). A member’s mark for the team project will be computed as follows:

1. If a member’s average rating is ≥ 5.5, the member will receive **100%** of the overall mark awarded to the team project.
2. If a member’s average rating is < 5.5 but ≥ 4, the member will receive **80%** of the overall mark awarded to the team project.
3. If a member’s average rating is < 4 but ≥ 2, the member will receive **50%** of the overall mark awarded to the team project.
4. If a member’s average rating is < 2, the member will receive **30%** of the overall mark awarded to the team project.

**CONFIDENTIAL PEER EVALUATION FORM FOR TEAM PROJECT (SAMPLE)**

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| Member’s name: |  |
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| Seminar group and team number: |  |
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Please use the attached Peer Evaluation Rubric to evaluate yourself and your team members on each of the 5 stated attributes (on a scale of 1 to 7). State your ratings for yourself and each of your team members in the table below. For your self-assessment, insert “(Self)” after your name in the table below.

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| **Index #** | **Name of team members** | **1 - RR** | **2 - CM** | **3 - CR** | **4 - CT** | **5 - RS** | **Average Rating** |
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If any of your ratings above is **< 4**, please provide a brief explanation to justify the ratings.

| Index # | Brief explanation to justify a rating of **< 4** |
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*You may attach supporting documents (like emails and screen shots), if any, to support your explanations above.*

**Teamwork & Interpersonal Skills (Peer Evaluation) Rubric**

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| **Traits** | **Performance** | |
| **1. Roles and Responsibility (RR)**  Behaves professionally by upholding responsibility and assuming accountability for self and others in progressing towards the team’s goal. | **Scant**  Unclear about his/her own role; refuses to take a role in the group; insists to work individually and has limited coordination or  communication with others. | **Substantially Developed**  Always fulfils responsibilities; performs his/her role within the group with enthusiasm and demonstrates willingness to work collaboratively. |
| **Evaluation: Scant 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 Substantially Developed** | |
| **2. Communication (CM)**  Identifies appropriate mechanisms to coordinate and correspond with team members. | **Scant**  Modes of communication are not appropriate, causing confusion and  miscommunication among team members. | **Substantially Developed**  Modes of communication are appropriate, and maintaining timely  communication and correspondence with team members. |
| **Evaluation: Scant 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 Substantially Developed** | |
| **3. Conflict Resolution (CR)**  Resolves conflicts using a variety of approaches. | **Scant**  Does not recognize conflicts or is unwilling to resolve conflicts. | **Substantially Developed**  Consistently resolves conflicts through facilitating open discussion and  compromise. |
| **Evaluation: Scant 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 Substantially Developed** | |
| **4. Contributions (CT)**  Contributes positive input for the team; effectively utilizes one’s knowledge and expertise. | **Scant**  Largely disinterested in working in a group and refuses to participate; observes passively or is unwilling to share information with other team members. | **Substantially Developed**  Actively attends and participates in all activities and provides meaningful contribution in articulating ideas and opinions. |
| **Evaluation: Scant 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 Substantially Developed** | |
| **5. Relationship (RS)**  Maintains cooperative interaction with other team members regardless of individual /cultural differences and respects diverse perspectives. | **Scant**  Rarely listens to others and does not acknowledge the opinions that differ from his/her own. | **Substantially Developed**  Engages in respectful relationships with all other members in the team.  Embraces and accepts diverse points of view without prejudice. |
| **Evaluation: Scant 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 Substantially Developed** | |