

# **Undergraduate Course Syllabus**

MGT 480: Sustainability Business Strategy Capstone

Center: Online

### **Course Prerequisites**

MGT 320; completion of 111 credits

### **Course Description**

This capstone course is the culminating experience for the B.S. in Management program. The aim of the capstone is to assess students' ability to synthesize and integrate the knowledge and skills they have developed throughout their coursework, rather than introducing new concepts. This course is structured to support student success in fulfilling program requirements.

#### **Course Outcomes**

- Interpret business and societal trends in their historical, political, economic, financial, social, cultural, geopolitical, and technological context for the purpose of leading a business unit
- Employ an interdisciplinary approach to the use of innovative, sustainable, and measurable strategies for aligning business goals with social and environmental needs
- Apply legal and ethical principles to the development and support of short-term and long-term internal/external sustainable business practices
- Analyze business opportunities in terms of their financial viability, sustainability, and impact on society
- Foster shared values, leadership, group processes, and organizational learning for effective change management through the integration of cross-cultural, social, and emotional awareness
- Solve operational problems and manage project performance by applying information systems knowledge and quantitative tools/techniques

### **Instructor Availability and Response Time**

Your class interaction with the instructor and your classmates will take place on a regular, ongoing basis. Your instructor will be actively engaged within the course throughout the week. You will normally communicate with your instructor in the weekly discussions or the General Questions discussion topic so that your questions and the instructor's answers benefit the entire class. You should feel free, however, to communicate with your instructor via SNHU email at any time, particularly when you want to discuss something of a personal or sensitive nature. Your instructor will generally provide a response within 24 hours.

#### **Grade Distribution**

Assignment Category	Number of Graded Items	Point Value per Item	Total Points
Discussion: Sustainability Reporting	1	10	10
Capstone Project			
Milestones	3	130	390
Final Submission	1	600	600
		Total Course Points:	1,000

This course may also contain practice activities. The purpose of these non-graded activities is to assist you in mastering the learning outcomes in the graded activity items listed above.

## **University Grading System: Undergraduate**

Grade	Numerical Equivalent	Points
Α	93–100	4
A-	90–92	3.67
B+	87–89	3.33
В	83–86	3
B-	80–82	2.67
C+	77–79	2.33
С	73–76	2
C-	70–72	1.67
D+	67–69	1.33
D	60–66	1
F	0–59	0
1	Incomplete	
IF	Incomplete/Failure *	
IP	In Progress (past end	
	of term)	
W	Withdrawn	

<sup>\*</sup> Please refer to the <u>policy page</u> for information on the incomplete grade process.

# **Grading Guides**

Specific activity directions, grading guides, posting requirements, and additional deadlines can be found in the Assignment Guidelines and Rubrics section of the course.

## **Weekly Assignment Schedule**

All reading and assignment information can be found within each module of the course. Assignments and discussion posts during the first week of each term are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time. Assignments and

discussion posts for the remainder of the term are due by 11:59 p.m. of the student's local time zone.

In addition to the textbook readings that are listed, there may be additional required resources within each module.

Module	Topics and Assignments
1	Sustainability Reporting
	1-1 Discussion: Sustainability Reporting
	1-2 Identify the Company for the Capstone Project
2	Persuasive Writing
	2-1 Discussion: Persuasive Writing (Non-Graded)
	2-2 Capstone Project Milestone One: Executive Memo (Rough Draft)
3	Governance
	3-1 Discussion: Call to Action (Non-Graded)
4	Call to Action
	4-1 Capstone Project Milestone Two: Call to Action (Rough Draft)
5	Presentations
	5-1 Discussion: Presentations (Non-Graded)
6	Shareholders
	6-1 Capstone Project Milestone Three: Presentation to Current Shareholders (Rough Draft)
7	Shareholder Presentation
	7-1 Capstone Project Submission
8	Final Thoughts
	8-1 Discussion: Final Thoughts (Non-Graded)

#### **Attendance Policy**

Online students are required to submit a graded assignment/discussion during the first week of class. If a student does not submit a posting to the graded assignment/discussion during the first week of class, the student is automatically withdrawn from the course for non-participation. Review the <u>full attendance policy</u>.

# **Late Assignments Policy**

Meeting assigned due dates is critical for demonstrating progress and ensuring appropriate time for instructor feedback on assignments. Students are expected to submit their assignments on or before the due date. Review the <u>full late assignment policy</u>.

## **SNHU College of Online and Continuing Education Student Handbook**

Review the student handbook.

# **ADA/504 Compliance Statement**

Southern New Hampshire University is dedicated to providing equal access to individuals with disabilities, including intellectual disabilities, in accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title III of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, and the ADA Amendments Act of 2008. The university prohibits unlawful

discrimination on the basis of disability and takes action to prevent such discrimination by providing reasonable accommodations to eligible individuals with disabilities.

As soon as you become aware of a disability, we encourage you to contact the Online Accessibility Center (OAC) to discuss accommodations for which you may be qualified. Reasonable accommodations are established through an interactive process between the student and the OAC. Note that accommodations are not retroactive and that disability accommodations are not provided until an accommodation letter has been processed.

Contact Information:

Online Accessibility Center

Phone: 866-305-9430 Email: oac@snhu.edu

For questions concerning support services, documentation guidelines, or general disability issues, visit the <u>Online Accessibility Center</u> website.

If you feel you have been denied appropriate disability-related accommodations, including appropriate auxiliary aids and services, you may file a grievance as described in the ADA/504 Grievance Policy found on the <u>Disability Services</u> webpage.

#### **Academic Honesty Policy**

Southern New Hampshire University requires all students to adhere to high standards of integrity in their academic work. Activities such as plagiarism and cheating are not condoned by the university. Review the <u>full academic honesty policy</u>.

## **Copyright Policy**

Southern New Hampshire University abides by the provisions of United States Copyright Act (Title 17 of the United States Code). Any person who infringes the copyright law is liable. Review the <u>full copyright policy</u>.

### **SNHU College of Online and Continuing Education Withdrawal Policy**

Review the <u>full withdrawal policy</u>.

### **Southern New Hampshire University Policies**

More information about SNHU policies can be found on the policy page.

# **Student Work Samples**

For the purpose of continuous improvement of our educational training, Southern New Hampshire University's College of Online and Continuing Education may, on occasion, utilize anonymous student work samples for internal professional development and staff training. If you have any questions or concerns, contact your advisor. If you would like to withdraw permission for use of your work, please email <a href="mailto:assessmentcalibration@snhu.edu">assessmentcalibration@snhu.edu</a>.