

# **Graduate Course Syllabus**

**MBA 710: Internship** 

Center: Online

## **Course Prerequisites**

None

## **Course Description**

Internships are available for full-time students to enhance their educational experiences through appropriate, work-oriented activities in selected environments.

## **Course Outcomes**

- Apply practical experiences within your field of study
- Observe and analyze various management situations and challenges
- Analyze and propose solutions to organizational problems
- Identify and market individual skills, abilities, and values as they relate to your field of study
- Explore the activities and functions of managers

## **Required Materials**

None

# **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	1	20	20
Reflective Journals	3	100	300
Supervisor Evaluation	1	180	180
Final Project	1	500	500
		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.

#### Coursework

## Reflective Journals (Due in Weeks 3, 6, and 9)

Each reflective journal will be two to four pages in length and will examine the questions for the specific assignment week.

#### Journal One

- What are your specific goals for this internship? What do you hope to learn and accomplish?
- What were your initial impressions of the organization, your supervisor, and your job responsibilities?
- What do you believe are your strengths and areas of opportunity for development? How have these areas impacted your overall job performance?
- How has your education prepared you for this internship? Give two examples of how you have applied your knowledge during your internship.

### Journal Two

- Discuss progress made toward your internship goals discussed in your first journal and include supportive examples
- Describe specific skills that have improved as a result of your internship.
- Explain at least two of your contributions to the organization.
- Share any insights about the field of HR and the technology that you are using to perform your job responsibilities.

#### Journal Three

- Provide a summary of your internship experience.
- What have you learned about yourself from the internship experience? How have you grown as an individual and employee?
- Describe how this internship experience has helped you direct your career goals and job search.
- After reviewing your supervisor's feedback, explain how you view the assessment of your job performance. Explain how this information will help you prepare for graduation and full-time employment.

#### Final Project (Due in Week 10)

The final project is a 4-6 page paper that consists of four sections:

- Company description
- Job description
- Application of education
- Personal assessment of your job performance

#### Company Description

Provide a one-page description of the company for which you are working. This should include the nature of the products and services offered and a profile of the customers who use them. You may also provide brochures that further describe the company.

#### Job Description

The job description should be written in the third person as if you, acting as a manager, were writing it for a new employee/associate. It should be written in outline form, except for the job summary section. Headings should be used to identify each of the job description sections. A suggested outline for the job description is shown below.

- Job title and place of employment
- Job summary narrative summary of the activities of the position
- Qualifications education and experience required and/or desirable
- Working conditions uniform requirements, physical surroundings, working days, hours, etc.
- Job relationships to whom and for whom the individual is responsible
- Specific duties and responsibilities a list indicating all duties performed by the individual in this position

## Application of Education

How are you able to apply your academic learning to the internship experience?

## Personal Assessment of Your Job Performance

This section offers the opportunity to reflect on the entire internship experience and think about both the positive and negative aspects of your internship. This section should address the following questions:

- Have your career goals been reinforced, or have you decided to alter your original goals?
- What new skills have you acquired, and what present skills have been reinforced? Consider the full range of skills: leadership, technical, communication, social, and others.
- How could your internship experience have been more beneficial? What were the most positive and negative aspects of your experience?
- What suggestions would you make for improving this internship experience?

## Supervisor Evaluations (Due in Weeks 5 and 10)

The instructor will communicate directly with the student's supervisor at the intern organization and request completion of two supervisor evaluation forms – one midway through the course and one upon completion. A blank copy of the supervisor evaluation form will be provided to the student.

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## **University Grading System: Graduate**

Grade	Numerical Equivalent	Points
Α	93–100	4.00
A-	90–92	3.67
B+	87–89	3.33
В	83–86	3.00
B-	80–82	2.67
C+	77–79	2.33
С	73–76	2.00
F	0–72	0.00
1	Incomplete	
IF	Incomplete/Failure *	
W	Withdrawn	

<sup>\*</sup> Please refer to the policy page 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	1-1 Discussion: Getting Started
	1-2 Internship Overview Submission (Non-graded)
	Timesheet initialed by Supervisor

2	Begin work on Reflective Journal One
	Timesheet initialed by Supervisor
	[Instructor] Check-In with Supervisor (record in Workplace Contact Log)
3	3-1 Reflective Journal One
	Timesheet initialed by Supervisor
4	Begin work on Reflective Journal Two
	Timesheet initialed by Supervisor
	[Instructor] Check-In with Supervisor (record in Workplace Contact Log)
5	Continue work on Reflective Journal Two
	Timesheet initialed by Supervisor
6	6-1 Reflective Journal Two
	Timesheet initialed by Supervisor
	[Instructor] Check-In with Supervisor (record in Workplace Contact Log)
7	Begin work on Reflective Journal Three
	Timesheet initialed by Supervisor
8	Continue Work on Reflective Journal Three
	Timesheet initialed by Supervisor
	[Instructor] Internship Evaluation form provided to Supervisor (due week 9)
	[Instructor] Check-In with Supervisor (record in Workplace Contact Log)
9	9-1 Reflective Journal Three
	Timesheet initialed by Supervisor
	[Instructor] Internship Evaluation form completed by Supervisor & returned
	[Instructor] Submit completed Evaluation form
10	10-1 Final Project
	10-2 Final Paperwork: Submit signed timesheet and student internship evaluation
	Timesheet initialed by Supervisor
	[Instructor] Timesheet completed by Supervisor & returned
	[Instructor] Submit completed Timesheet
	[Instructor] Check-In with Supervisor (record in Workplace Contact Log)
	The instructor will communicate directly with the student's supervisor at the intern organization.
	[Instructor] Submit completed Contact Log

## **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 Online

Accessibility Center 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 Disability

Services 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 full academic

honesty policy.

**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 full copyright policy.

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

Review the full withdrawal policy.

**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 may, on occasion, utilize anonymous student work samples for internal professional development and staff training. If you would like to withdraw permission for use of your work, please complete the <u>Student Work Sample Survey</u>.