Comprehensive Exam

Congratulations on getting ready to achieve your degree!

Please note: The comprehensive exam will test your capabilities regarding the program objectives (noted below).

The program objectives

The courses in the program are designed to address these objectives. No matter what combination of classes you took, all core courses address these program objectives and all students are required to address the specific program objectives in the comprehensive exam. Even if you received transfer credit for some classes in your degree program, you are still responsible for addressing the program objectives.

Master of Business Administration (MBA) is to provide students with the skills and knowledge necessary to become effective leaders. A Master of Business Administration graduate can expect to achieve the following learning objectives:

- 1. Have a strategic perspective that makes you understand the global dynamics of worldwide industries and new markets. This should provide you with a tool to demonstrate an *understanding of how change affects organizations* and recognizing (dealing with) the implications of integrated business processes in managing the enterprise.
- 2. Have an ability to integrate decisions and solutions across disciplines in complex decision-making environments. Therefore, you need to demonstrate an understanding of *current business theories* and *practices*. Also, you need to be able to *select and use appropriate research techniques*.
- 3. Capable of synthesizing/analyzing information as to make sound business decisions such as how to evaluate financial statements and documents to support business decisions.
- 4. Comprehend and appreciate different cultures and economies.
- 5. Have a clear framework for ethical and values-based, decision-making supported by unyielding personal integrity and the confidence to act accordingly.
- 6. Have a professional presence and the ability to articulate a vision needed to motivate others and lead diverse teams of people. In addition, to understand the group dynamics and be capable of influencing others to achieve organizational goals.
- 7. Have the ability to integrate knowledge of the core business functions to solve complex, ambiguous and unfamiliar management problems related to human resources management, marketing, finance or any other business functions.

Exam Day

Friday 14/08/2020 from 10:00 – 22:00

The comprehensive examination is an open resources exam with <u>full</u> access to the internet. The exam includes seven questions on the case based upon the program objectives; at least you need to pass successfully *five* questions in order to be granted an overall grade of "Pass". You will have <u>one hour</u> to read the case plus <u>eleven hours</u> to answer the questions that gives you twelve hours in total to complete the exam. YOU WILL SOLVE EACH QUESTION SEPARATELY IN ITS OWN SPACE ON THE MOODLE.