

School of Management

MGMT 1002 Organisational Behaviour

Course Outline Semester 2, 2017

Course-Specific Information

The Business School expects that you are familiar with the contents of this course outline. You must also be familiar with the Course Outlines Policies webpage which contains key information on:

- Program Learning Goals and Outcomes
- Academic Integrity and Plagiarism
- Student Responsibilities and Conduct
- Special Consideration
- Student Support and Resources

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PART A: COURSE-SPECIFIC INFORMATION

1 STAFF CONTACT DETAILS

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Consultation Times – Please contact me by email to arrange a consultation. Please use your UNSW account, indicate the course that your query is about, your full name, and student number when sending me an email.

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If you have questions about the course or assessment your first point of contact should be your tutor. Your tutor will escalate your question to the lecturer-in-charge if needed. When emailing your tutor please use your UNSW account, indicate the course that your query is about, your full name, and student number. Also, please do not expect an instant response from your tutor. Waiting three working days for an email response is a reasonable amount of time.

2 COURSE DETAILS

2.1 Teaching Times and Locations

Lectures start in Week 1 and conclude in Week 12.

The Time and Location are:

Ritchie Theatre

Tuesday 15:00 - 17:00

Tutorials start in Week 2 and conclude in Week 12. The Groups and Times are:

Tutorial Day and Time	Location	
1. Tuesday 2pm	Webster 251	Chris Jackson
2. Tuesday 5pm	Quad 1042	Terry Wickendon
3. Tuesday 5pm	Quad G047	Terry Wickendon
4. Thursday 6 pm	Quad 1042	Terry Wickendon
5. Wednesday 12	Law 302	Terry Wickendon
6. Wednesday 1	Law 302	Terry Wickendon



7. Wednesday 2pm	Law 302	Terry Wickendon
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When enrolling in this course you will have signed up for a tutorial. You must <u>attend the same tutorial every week</u>. It is for your own benefit to stay with the same tutorial as you will get to know your tutor and classmates.

2.2 Units of Credit

The course is worth 6 units of credit. There is no parallel teaching in this course.

2.3 Summary of Course

This course is designed to provide students with knowledge of the fundamental theories and models relevant to understanding individual and group behaviour in organisation settings. Organisational behaviour is concerned with how to manage individual and group behaviour in work settings. Topics such as work attitudes, emotions and motivation in the workplace, organisational culture, and turnover will be discussed.

2.4 Course Aims and Relationship to Other Courses

MGMT 1001 'Managing Organisations & People' gives you a broad overview of management discipline. In contrast, MGMT 1002 'Organisational Behaviour' is concerned with providing a more in-depth analysis of individual, team, and organisational phenomena. We will explore a variety of 'micro' topics such as personality, attitudes, motivation and leadership as well as more 'macro' topics such as organisational culture and organisational change. By the end of this course, you will have a better understanding of how to enhance employee well-being as well as how to maximise performance and therefore organisational performance.

Later courses that you may take will give you a deeper understanding of: 1) organisational systems (e.g., MGMT 2718 Human Resource Management, MGMT 3724 Strategic Human Resource Management), 2) industrial relations perspectives (e.g., MGMT 2705 Industrial Relations), 3) international issues (e.g., MGMT 2012 Managing Across Cultures, MGMT 3101 International Business Strategy), and 4) specialist knowledge (e.g., MGMT 3728 Managing pay and Performance, MGMT 3729 Managing Workplace Training).

In summary, MGMT 1002 will provide you with the basic foundations that will allow you to effectively manage the most important asset that organisations have – their people.

2.5 Student Learning Outcomes

The Course Learning Outcomes are what you should be able to DO by the end of this course if you participate fully in learning activities and successfully complete the assessment items.

The Learning Outcomes in this course also help you to achieve some of the overall Program Learning Goals and Outcomes for all undergraduate students in the Business School. Program Learning Goals are what we want you to BE or HAVE by the time you successfully complete your degree (e.g. 'be an effective team player'). You demonstrate this by achieving specific Program Learning Outcomes - what you are able to DO by the end of your degree (e.g. 'participate collaboratively and responsibly in teams').



Business Undergraduate Program Learning Goals and Outcomes

1. Knowledge: Our graduates will have in-depth disciplinary knowledge applicable in local and global contexts.

You should be able to select and apply disciplinary knowledge to business situations in a local and global environment.

2. Critical thinking and problem solving: Our graduates will be critical thinkers and effective problem solvers.

You should be able to identify and research issues in business situations, analyse the issues, and propose appropriate and well-justified solutions.

3. Communication: Our graduates will be effective professional communicators.

You should be able to:

- **a.** Prepare written documents that are clear and concise, using appropriate style and presentation for the intended audience, purpose and context, and
- **b.** Prepare and deliver oral presentations that are clear, focused, well-structured, and delivered in a professional manner.

4. Teamwork: Our graduates will be effective team participants.

You should be able to participate collaboratively and responsibly in teams, and reflect on your own teamwork, and on the team's processes and ability to achieve outcomes.

5. Ethical, social and environmental responsibility: Our graduates will have a sound awareness of the ethical, social, cultural and environmental implications of business practice.

You should be able to:

- a. Identify and assess ethical, environmental and/or sustainability considerations in business decision-making and practice, and
- b. Identify social and cultural implications of business situations.

For more information on the Undergraduate Program Learning Goals and Outcomes, see Part B of the course outline.

The following table shows how your Course Learning Outcomes relate to the overall Program Learning Goals and Outcomes, and indicates where these are assessed (they may also be developed in tutorials and other activities):



Program Learning Goals and Outcomes			
This course helps you to achieve the following learning goals for all Business School undergraduate students:		On successful completion of the course, you should be able to:	This learning outcome will be assessed in the following items:
1	Knowledge	Understand and discuss theories and research relevant to individual, group, and organisational behaviour.	Lecture quizzesAssignmentsExam
		Evaluate research papers in organisational behaviour and use this information to solve applied organisational problems.	
		Be familiar with a range of survey tools used when studying organisational behaviour constructs.	
2	Critical thinking and problem solving	Apply organisational behaviour theories and approaches to help you understand real world organisational problems	Tutorial exercisesAssignments
3a	Written communication	Construct written work which is logically and professionally presented.	Assignments
3b	Oral communication	Communicate ideas in a succinct and clear manner.	Assignment 2
4	Teamwork	Work collaboratively to complete a task.	Assignment 2
5a.	Ethical, environmental and sustainability responsibility	Not specifically addressed in this course	Not specifically assessed.
5b.	Social and cultural awareness	Not specifically addressed in this course	Not specifically assessed.

3 LEARNING AND TEACHING ACTIVITIES

Learning and teaching in this course will be based upon the principles of 'rigor and relevance'. 'Rigor' describes the validity of the content of this course. Organisational behaviour is more than 'common sense'. The frameworks, theories and facts taught in this course are rigorously researched by psychologists, sociologists, anthropologists, and also those with a business background. Utilising this rigorous research evidence for selecting and implementing the most appropriate structures, processes and people in organisations provides both organisations and employees with a critical competitive advantage and also ensures that employee well-being is maintained.



The theme of 'relevance' highlights the applied nature of the course. The assessment has been designed so that you need to analyse real world situations and apply the ideas and concepts discussed in the lectures and tutorials to understand these problems. To perform well in this course, you will need to integrate rigorous theories with practical solutions for workplace problems.

3.1 Approach to Learning and Teaching in the Course

The learning outcomes of this course are best achieved through active student participation and experiential learning (that is, learning by DOING). As such, the tutorials will be highly interactive and there is an expectation that you will come to class: a) having read any readings for the week **and** the tutorial material from the tutorial work book so that you can actively participate in exercises in class, and b) come prepared to participate in discussions by having completed the learning journal for each week. Active participation means asking relevant questions, expressing opinions, and engaging in learning activities.

The tutorial exercises have been designed to provide you with <u>experience in the type of work</u> that you will be required to complete for the assignments. As such, active participation in the tutorials should enable you to develop an understanding of how to complete the assignments.

Organisational behaviour is strongly based in current academic research. As a result, you will be asked to read academic papers regularly throughout the course that will help you understand more about the topic and prepare you for your assignments. Assignments are designed to develop your ability to critically review current academic thinking and to develop your in-depth knowledge of two areas of organisational behaviour. In addition, by completing these reviews you also are developing your ability to assess academic articles in a rigorous fashion which is necessary to successfully complete an academic essay. Ultimately, it is important to gain an appreciation and understanding of how academic thinking informs organisational behaviour practice and this course is designed to help you do this.

3.2 Learning Activities and Teaching Strategies

Learning and teaching in this course will be based upon lecture delivery, absorption of suggested reading material as well as interactive tutorial exercises and discussion. The lectures critically evaluate the core concepts and theories about organisational behaviour. Specifically, lectures are designed to give you a 'head start' on understanding the readings. The tutorials are based on a learning philosophy that sees engagement in activities and debates as vital precursors to greater understanding, retention and transfer of your learning. Getting away from 'passive' learning techniques, a large portion of the tutorial exercises will take place in groups.

Creating an open yet supportive environment in your tutorial will be important so you can test out your understanding of course concepts on your classmates and listen to their points of view. In turn these are skills that will be of value after you graduate in all aspects of your life.

4 ASSESSMENT

4.1 Formal Requirements

In order to pass this course, you must:



- achieve a composite mark of at least 50; and
- make a satisfactory attempt at all assessment tasks (see below).

4.2 Assessment Details

Assessment Task	Weighting	Length	Due Date
Quizzes * 3 in the lecture	5% each * 3 = 15%	10 questions per quizz	To be announced without notice in any lecture (at any time in the lecture) in the course
Tutorial participation	5		
Assignment 1: The jerk	10	2 pages	Monday of Week 5 @ 11:59 pm
Group Assignment 2: Interview and analysis	15	3 min presentation in tutorial	Tutorial 7
Assignment 3: Case Study	20	5 pages	Monday of Week 12 @ 11:59 pm
Final Exam	35	2.0 hours	University Exam Period
Total	100		

Turn-it-in

1. You are required to submit all written assignments to "Turn-it-in" via the course website prior to or on the day the assignment is due. Failure to submit via turn-it-in may mean that your assignment is not assessed. The deadline for submitting the assignment to turn-it-in is 11:59 pm on the day the assignment is due. You may only submit once. In case of problem with submission, you should email the assignment to your tutor before the deadline.

If there is more than 15-20% overlap between your assignment and other material as determined by Turn-it-in then you will be asked to explain why this is the case.

Lecture Quizzes

It is essential that students attend lectures so that they are familiar with the content of the course, which forms the basis of the activities that we complete in the tutorials. To ensure that students are engaging in a reflective learning process, three short quizzes will be administered throughout the semester in the lectures without advance notice. Each short quiz will be worth 5% each and may involve questions about any of the lecture content (including videos shown in the lectures) that have been presented in the course up the point the quiz is administered. Fifteen minutes will be allocated to complete each quiz.

Preparation for these quizzes will involve attending lectures, taking notes when listening so as to engage in **active learning** (which enhances recall and understanding of information), and ensuring that you ask questions if you do not understand any of the lecture content. There is **no** opportunity to resit the quiz unless you have a medical certificate or you are on University business elsewhere (with a signed letter to support).



Quizzes are closed book and you must change your seating so that you can not copy the work of fellow students.

<u>Tutorial participation in this course</u>: Class attendance is required and students are encouraged to contribute to class discussion. Participation is the key to a lively class.

Class participation such as the presentation provides the opportunity to practice speaking and persuasive skills, as well as the ability to listen.

A total of 5% of the total class mark relates to attendance at tutorials. The mark will be allocated in proportion to your attendance according to the following:

Tutorial attendance	Total % of total class mark allocated
10	5%
9	4%
8	3%
7	2%
6	2%
5	2%
4	1%
3	1%
2	0%
1	0%

Criteria for written assessments

- All reports must be in double space 12 font with 2.5 cm margins.
- Reference list is extra but no appendices are allowed so that tables etc. must be within the page limit. References are useful to evidence based marking.
- Material presented above page limit will not be marked
- Evidence based writing with reference support is best

Assignment 1: Case Study of The Jerk

Due: Monday of Week 5

Weight: 10% Length: 2 pages

You are presented with a case study that is in your reading list. You will write a report about what should be done next.

Your report needs to show evidence of understanding of concepts across the first few units of the course before the assignment is due. Your report should be strongly based on the course material covered up to date of submission. You should not bring in arguments from outside of the course (such as detailed financial analysis) but you may use some outside material to



support arguments if you wish. You also need to show your ability to integrate concepts, i.e. use more than one concept to analyse an issue or develop a strategy, and consider the links between the concepts. Your report should cover the following:

The issue (about 10% of the page count)

- The scope of your project and how you decided on it.
- Justification that the issue chosen is important for the organisation.

Analysing what needs to be done (about 30% of the page count)

- A clear statement of the problem.
- A proposed solution which addresses the issue and problem statement.

Your implementation plan (about 40% of the page count)

- Clear action steps for implementing the strategy.
- Identification of obstacles to your implementation plan and how these might be overcome.

In this section you should also provide a balance between reporting on the practices/processes/structure, i.e. the content of the plan and the means of implementing the plan i.e. the processes of achieving the change(s).

Evaluation (we suggest this section contains 20% of the page count)

- What you expect the project to achieve, i.e. the intended outcomes of your intervention. (This should be clearly related to the issue and problem statement identified earlier.)
- Processes and/or measures to evaluate the success of the plan.
- Processes for adjusting the strategy and implementation as the change initiative develops.

Assessment 2: Interview and report

Due: In class as presentation in Tutorial Week 7

Weight: 15%

Assessment: Group – one presentation is produced per group and the same mark is awarded

for all members of the group

Length: No more than 3 minutes

You will be assigned a group in Week 5 with the aim of producing a short presentation in Week 7. We recommend joining a group in which you are comfortable. All members of the group will be expected to contribute to the plan and to the final presentation. You should prepare a maximum of **3 minute presentation**. Your presentation should be strongly based on the course material up to date of presentation. You should not bring in arguments from outside of the course (such as detailed financial analysis) but you may use some outside material to support



arguments if you wish. Follow the guidelines presented in the tutorial in Week 5 and below. Marks will be awarded according to the scoring guidelines below.

For this project, your goal is to successfully develop a case study, where your team should:

- Interview a <u>manager</u> in an organisation with at least 5 people about a "<u>major</u> people problem" they have encountered in the course of their work (their people problem may have occurred in the past). A major people problem is one that "keeps the manager up at night".
- **Record the interview (with permission)** & develop a rich understanding of the details related to the problem: symptoms, causes, consequences, who/what/where/why/how.
- Define the problem: identify the most critical causes that needed to be addressed in the situation, as well as any other major concerns that should be addressed by the recommendations.
- Apply relevant course concepts up to Week 6, readings, frameworks, and/or insights from other <u>credible</u> sources to analyse the situation. Your presentation should be firmly based on the course material.
- Identify & define key goals of your recommendations, and generate a set of practical recommendations to address the key issues for the interviewee, as well as for future managers who face a similar situation (who you will address in your presentation).
- Critique and analyse the problem, what was done and why it was done. Use your own ideas based on the course
- Prepare a <u>3 minute presentation</u> that contains the problem description, analysis, goals, and recommendations for the individual, and for future managers who might find themselves in this situation (i.e. your classmates) to be presented in your tutorial.

Assessment 2: Evaluation

is rated on the below categories using this

scale	:	
3	This presentation Rocked My World.	Distinction level which shows evidenced originality, insight, and has competing views and critical evaluation
2	This presentation almost Rocked My World.	Good originality, good definitions and analysis of problem, solutions created
1	This presentation was good but did not Rock my World.	Substantial understanding and application of the core concepts and their application; convincing and fluent
0.5	Acceptable	Adequate understanding and application; routine level arguments with some justification
0	Not good pitch at all	Deficiencies in understanding knowledge and concepts; arguments confusing or

Categories	Rating
Introduction (summary)	
 Problem explained 	
 Scope well understood 	
 Diagnosis 	
Preparedness	
 well thought through 	
 Great use of course content 	
 Synthesis between problem 	
and course content	
Depth	
Well mapped	
Arguments are convincing	
Ideas	
realistic	
 effectively addresses the 	
issue	
 original 	
Presentation	
Linearity	
• Deep	
Based on course	

Questions for the group:

Suggestions for the group:

Turn in an electronic copy of your presentation (e.g. .ppt file) to your tutor, <u>prior</u> to your presentation (i.e. by email, or in person prior to presenting)

HOW YOU APPROACH THIS PROJECT: POTENTIAL PATHS

Think hard in advance about what you want to get out of this project.

If you want to **maximize learning and/or your final grade**, my advice would be to follow / draw on the ***Recommended* Steps Outline** provided below. This guide includes steps that



build on the key strengths of team-work and individual-work to increase the likelihood of an excellent outcome.

However, if you want to *minimize effort and are willing to risk your grade*, you could divide up the project into parts for different group members to do. This strategy can take less time, but can also result in more misunderstandings, mistakes, and last minute integration problems, and can increase the likelihood of a lower team grade.

The point is just to consider upfront the trade-offs associated with different group processes and team project strategies.

Whichever strategy you use, I strongly recommend you get started on your team project as soon as you are assigned to your team to ensure your team is able to meet the project deadlines.

Recommended Steps

<u>Pt.</u>	1: Getting started: Team processes → Team performance
	Get started early - literally as soon as possible. Time pressure is the enemy of positive
	team dynamics and team performance.
	On your own, carefully read through the project instructions and this recommended
	steps checklist.
	Have a meeting with your team
	As a group, develop a general timeline of dates for when activities need to be completed.
	Determine the next team meeting time, when the first set of "deliverables" (e.g. each
	member's list of potential interview questions, and potential interview candidates) are
	due.
Pt.	2: Getting going:
	As individuals: Create a list of potential interview candidates who a) are managers and
	work with at least 5 other people, b) might be willing to be interviewed & recorded, and c)
	might have a "major people problem" to discuss.
	As individuals: Generate a list of potential interview questions for any potential interview
	candidates.
	*Your goal is to use these questions to create a rich picture of the details of the situation
	for your analysis (i.e. who? what? where? how? why?).
	Meet with your team:
0	Discuss your individually generated lists of potential interviewees
0	Decide who are your top choices for interviewees.
	* Keep in mind: It can make sense to interview more than one person and "go with the

best" problem / interview.

improve the quality of your report.

follow-up questions in the moment?

*Keep in mind, choosing an interviewee with a great people problem can dramatically

o Decide who / how many people will be involved in conducting the interview. Does anyone in your team have experience interviewing? Is a great listener? Is good at coming up with

- Choose a safe location for the interview and do not put yourself at risk. At least 2
 people must do the interview.
- Decide how the interview will be **recorded** and **transcribed** for the other team members, and for the appendix of your written report, once the interview is complete. Do a practice run recording something and sending to another teammate.
- Test your recording equipment before the interview to make sure a) the sound is picked up and b) it will work for the duration - full charge / fresh batteries.

Pt.3: Interview Phase: Understanding the Situation in Rich Detail

Always treat your interviewee with integrity
Stay safe – interview in a place with people around. Do NOT go to a
private house etc. At least 2 people must do the interview.
Ask for permission to record, and note that the interviewee may use names such as "Company X", "Jane Doe", "John Smith", etc. to keep the identity of the company and actors involved private.
GOAL: Your goal in the interview is to do detective work to create a rich, detailed picture of a people challenge: Who did What, Where, How, and Why? What are the facts? Opinions? Motives of the actors? e.g. Why was the problem so challenging? Why did it happen? What were other peoples' perspectives on the situation? What factors
contributed to the situation? *Be sure to ask follow-up questions.
* Keep in mind: The more detail you can get from your interviewee about the people challenge, the more information you have to analyse, and generate a strong set of recommendations for future managers!
Share the interview recording / transcript with your team for review.

Pt.4: Problem Description Phase:

☐ As individuals:

- Listen to / Read through the interview transcript and note key facts the interviewee reports about the situation.
- List out for yourself:
 - "Objective" facts about the situation that could be observed by an outside party,
 - "Opinions" and "interpretations" of the situation,
 - Factors which may have contributed to the situation.
 For example: What organisational factors might have contributed to the situation? What individual factors might have contributed? Who are the key people involved and what were their motivations and concerns?
- o In your own words, define the most important issues(s) about the situation that need to be addressed. Note the specific statements / facts that led you to identify the/se problem(s).



 Identify relevant course materials (e.g. MGMT 1002 lecture notes, course readings), and information from other credible sources that can be used to help understand, analyse, & generate solutions to the situation.

☐ As a team:

- Facilitate & record a discussion where each person shares a) their impression of the key problem(s) that need to be addressed in the situation and b) the key facts / details from the interview that lead to that conclusion, and c) the relevant materials they identified for understanding & analyzing the situation.
- One highly effective approach for this discussion is to create
 a) a list of the "key facts" of the case, and
 b) to create a model of the causes and consequences of these facts that identified
 by members of the team. What are the <u>symptoms</u>? What are the root <u>causes</u>?
 What are the consequences?
- This outline of key facts can be used as the outline for the *Problem Description* section of your written report & presentation.

☐ Once you have a thorough understanding of the situation and the problem:

- As individuals: Identify Possible Goals: What would a realistic, positive resolution of the situation look like? What are the goals you could / should try to achieve with your recommendations?
 - *Once you have some potential goals, make them concrete and specific i.e. well defined goals can be clearly measured, observed, and counted to know when they have been achieved.

*Make sure your goals fit the description of the problem!

O As a team: Share, generate, prioritize, and clearly define a final set of measureable, observable goals that your recommendations should aim to achieve. **Record your team's agreed upon a) goals, b) prioritization of goals, c) measurable definitions of the goals, and d) how the goals are related to the case problem. This can serve as the outline for the Goal Identification part of your written report & presentation.

Pt.5: Analysis & Developing Recommendations Phase:

In this phase, your goal is to generate a variety of potential recommendations for ways to 1) address key elements of the challenge identified in the *Problem Description* phase and 2) achieve the *Identified Goals*. Recommendations should be behavioural, and clearly defined.

As individuals:

- Consider the relevant materials identified by team members (noted above in the
 Analysis Phase; e.g. MGMT 1002 lecture notes, course readings, and information
 from other credible sources) that can be used to help understand, analyse, &
 generate solutions to the situation that achieve *Identified Goal*s.
- Generate a set of potential behavioural steps, and evidence / reasons why you
 think those steps will likely lead achieve the *Identified Goals*.



☐ As a team:

- Share & discuss the potentially relevant materials each member has identified to incorporate into your case analysis & recommendations.
- Share & discuss the potential behavioural recommendations identified by members, how they should be defined, how often implemented, how long, evidence indicating the likelihood that particular recommendations will achieve *Identified Goals*, etc.
- O Decide on a) a set of well-supported, behaviourally-defined recommendations, b) the relevant materials from credible sources that will be used to support your analysis & recommendations, and c) how you would persuade a sceptical audience that the recommendations will achieve the identified goals. **Record this information as the outline for the Analysis & Recommendations section(s) of your written report & presentation.

*Make sure your recommended course of action is a) behaviourally-defined (i.e. what should actors "do" in this situation?), b) clearly linked to your *Identified Goals*, and c) realistic for most managers in this situation. For example, firing someone immediately is likely to be unrealistic for most managers facing a problem.

Pt.6: Preparing the Presentation

Have 1	Team Member with Strong Organisational Skills:
	Bring together a) the written interview transcript for the appendix and b) outlines
	generated by the team from the discussion steps above (i.e. Problem Description, Goal
	Identification, Analysis & Developing Recommendations Phase).
	Integrate & complete the written outline for the report such that a) the main sections
	of the report and b) topic sentence for each paragraph & key content for each section
	are noted (i.e. Brief Intro / Problem Description, Goal Identification, Analysis &
	Recommendations, Brief Conclusion).
	Be sure you reference statements in the transcript in the written case transcript as
	evidence for your Problem Description, and when relevant for your Goal Definition and
	Analysis & Recommendations.
	Don't assume your audience will agree with your claims! Be sure to note persuasive
	evidence / arguments for a) why your analysis of the situation is correct in your
	Analysis & Recommendations section(s), b) why your identified goals are appropriate,
	and c) why your recommendations are likely to achieve the goals your team has
	identified.
	Circulate the outline among team members so any missing information can be noted /
	added to the outline. Be sure to reference and build on course concepts / lecture
	discussions / frameworks and other credible sources in your Analysis &

Presentation Prep:

Recommendations where relevant.

□ Roles: Once the written report is settled, consider a) having 1 member prepare & lead the team presentation, b) having at least 2 members of the team involved in delivering

the presentation, c) with other members providing feedback on a practice presentation. For the person(s) preparing the first draft of the presentation slides: ☐ Review the Presentation Evaluation Criteria (above). ☐ Use the written report outline (above) as the outline for the major sections of the presentation ☐ Prepare your draft of the PowerPoint slide presentation. *Keep in mind: Your audience is future managers (i.e. your classmates), and your goal in the presentation is to describe for them a key people challenge they might face in the future, what their goals could /should be in such a situation, and to provide credible, convincing, behavioural recommendations for what to do if they find themselves in a similar situation. ☐ Get feedback on slides from other members involved in presenting. As a team: Practice: Strongly recommended that you do at least one "practice" presentation all the way through with some team members providing an audience / feedback / practice audience questions. ☐ **Recommendations:** On presentation day bring a backup copy of the slides "just in case" there is a technical problem.

Submit an electronic copy of your presentation (e.g. .ppt file) to turnitin

Assessment 3: Case Study

Due: Monday of Week 12

Weight: 20% Length: 5 pages

In Tutorial Week 8 you will be presented with a case study that is also in your reading list. Your report should be firmly based on the course material although you can supplement with extra material if you wish. You task is to write a report about a question or problem which you think is pertinent.

Your report needs to show evidence of understanding of concepts across the whole course, i.e. not just one or two units. You also need to show your ability to integrate concepts, i.e. use more than one concept to analyse an issue or develop a strategy, and consider the links between the concepts. Your report should cover the following:

The issue (about 10% of the page count)

- The scope of your project and how you decided on it.
- Justification that the issue chosen is important for the organisation.

Identifying the problem (about 30% of the page count)

- A clear statement of the problem.
- A proposed solution which addresses the issue and problem statement.

Your implementation of the plan (about 40% of the page count)

- Clear action steps for implementing the strategy.
- How you will ensure the action steps are implemented
- Identification of obstacles to your implementation plan and how these might be overcome.

In this section you should also provide a balance between reporting on the practices/processes/structure, i.e. the content of the change(s), and the means of implementing them, i.e. the processes of achieving the change(s).

Evaluation of the plan (we suggest this section contains 20% of the page count)

- What you expect the project to achieve, i.e. the intended outcomes of your change intervention. (This should be clearly related to the issue and problem statement identified earlier.)
- Processes and/or measures to evaluate the success of the plan.
- Processes for adjusting the strategy and implementation as the change initiative develops.

You should use concepts firmly based from across the whole course in making your diagnoses and developing your action steps, for example motivation, culture and leadership. You are not expected to use concepts from **every** unit. Only include them if they add value to your analyses and your project plan. However, using only the concepts, theories and frameworks from the early units of the course will limit your analysis. You need not bring in arguments from outside of the course (such as detailed financial analysis).

Exam

This will take the form of a 2.0 hour examination paper during the exam period and comprise 35% of your course grade. The purpose of the exam is to ensure you have a broad understanding of the theories that we cover in the course and the skills needed to effectively manage people. Thus, 30 of the questions will be multiple choice (each question will be worth half a mark). Material from all lectures is examinable. In addition, you also will be required to answer two short essay questions that may cover any of the lecture content covered in the course. Each short answer essay question will be worth 10 marks.

Grading

The table below sets out a detailed description of requirements in this course, consistent with the UNSW grading scheme.

Grade	Name	Range	Summary Description	Indicative Performance Criteria



HD	High Distinction	85-100%	Outstanding performance	Level above DN with consistent evidence of substantial originality and insight in identifying and generating competing arguments, perspectives, positions, or problem-solving; critical evaluation of problems/issues, solutions and implications; uses high level of communication above DN.	
DN	Distinction	75-84%	Superior performance	Level above CR with frequent evidence of originality in defining and analysing problems/issues and creating solutions uses level, style, and means of writing and communication appropriate for the discipline and reader.	
CR	Credit 65-74% Good disciplinary area of study; develops and adapts conving arguments and coherent justification; fluent communication.		Demonstrates substantial understanding and application of fundamental concepts, and their application in contexts in the disciplinary area of study; develops and adapts convincing arguments and coherent justification; fluent communication of information, clear ideas in conventions of the discipline.		
PS	Pass	50-64%	Acceptable level of performance	Demonstrates an adequate understanding of fundamental knowledge and concepts, and their application in the disciplinary area of study; develops routine arguments and applications with acceptable justification; adequate communication of information and ideas in conventions of the discipline.	
FL	Fail	0-49%	Below acceptable standard of performance	Demonstrates clear deficiencies in understanding of fundamental knowledge and concepts, and their application; incomplete, inadequate or confusing arguments with little justification; poor communication of information and ideas. Or: Demonstrates a superficial, partial, or incorrect level of understanding of fundamental knowledge and concepts, and their application in the disciplinary area of study; presents undeveloped or unsupported arguments; communication of information and ideas inconsistent in conventional disciplinary terms.	

4.3 Assessment Format

Details of the assessment format are included in section 4.2 above.

4.4 Assignment Submission Procedure

All assignments must be submitted to "Turnitin". Assignment 2 material must be submitted tutor prior to giving your presentation.

Keep a copy of <u>all</u> work submitted and keep your marked assignments until the course is completed, marked and your final grade awarded.

4.5 Late Submission and Special Consideration and penalties

For information on Special Consideration please refer to the Business School's <u>Course Outlines</u> Policies webpage.



Submissions after the due date will incur a <u>10% penalty each day they are late</u>. No extensions granted except in the case of serious illness, misadventure, or bereavement which must be supported with documentary evidence (e.g., medical certificate).

Please note: you need to <u>APPLY FOR SPECIAL CONSIDERATION BEFORE THE DUE DATE FOR THE ASSIGNMENT</u>. If you fail to do so, then you place yourself in the position of potentially not being able to submit your assignment without incurring a late penalty. Also, <u>submission of a request for special consideration does not mean that this request will be granted</u>. As such, it is important to continue to work on the assignment while waiting to hear back regarding whether your application has been approved or not.

ALL APPLICATIONS FOR EXTENSIONS IN THIS COURSE SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO THE LECTURER-IN CHARGE THROUGH MYUNSW.

Requests for special consideration will not be accepted after three days past the assignment due date.

4.6 Protocol for viewing final exam scripts

The UNSW Business School has set a protocol under which students may view their final exam script. Please check the protocol <u>here</u>.

Quality Assurance

The Business School is actively monitoring student learning and quality of the student experience in all its programs. A random selection of completed assessment tasks may be used for quality assurance, such as to determine the extent to which program learning goals are being achieved. The information is required for accreditation purposes, and aggregated findings will be used to inform changes aimed at improving the quality of Business School programs. All material used for such processes will be treated as confidential.

5 COURSE RESOURCES

Reading list and readings associated with course

Available for download from Moodle. Here is a list:

For each lecture:

2	Bregman			
	Chamorro 2016			
	Schrage 2014			
	Winsborough 2015			
3	Allen 2008			
4	Nicholson 2003			
	Nohria et al. 2008			



5	Kellerman 2004
6	Simmons 2005
7	Hill 2008
	Manzoni 2012 (A & B)
8	Taylor 2016
	Murnieks 2016
9	Pfeffer 2010
10	Barside, S., & O'Neill, O. (2016).
11	Christenson et al. 2000

For your assignments:

Ass 1	Cliffe, J. What a star – what a jerk (case study)			
	This might be helpful:			
	Levinson (1978).			
Ass 2	N/A			
Ass 3	Barry, M & Slocum, J. (2003). Slice of reality: Changing culture at Pizza Hut and			
	Yum! Brands Inc. Organizational Dynamics, 32, 319-330			

Useful supplementary text:

Robbins, S. P., Judge, T. A., Millett, B., Boyle. (2013). Organisational Behaviour (15th edition). Pearson Prentice Hall, Education Australia.

Journals

The following journals are held in the library and will provide you with a good source of research for topics:

Academy of Management Journal

Academy of Management Review

Administrative Science Quarterly

Annual Review of Psychology

Applied Psychology: An International Review

Asia-Pacific Human Resource Management

European Journal of Work and Organisational Psychology

Group and Organisation Management

Human Factors

Human Relations

International Journal of Selection and Assessment

International Review of Industrial and Organisational

Psychology

Journal of Applied Behavioural Science



Journal of Applied Psychology

Journal of Applied Social Psychology

Journal of Business and Psychology

Journal of Business Research

Journal of Management

Journal of Management Studies

Journal of Occupational and Organisational Psychology

Journal of Organisational Behaviour

Journal of Personality and Social Psychology

Journal of Vocational Behaviour

Leadership and Organisation Development Journal

Leadership Quarterly

Organisation Science

Organisational Behaviour and Human Decision Processes

Organisation Development Journal

Organisational Dynamics

Personnel Psychology

Strategic Management Journal

Training and Development Journal

Work and Stress

6 COURSE EVALUATION AND DEVELOPMENT

Your suggestions, comments and observations on the content, delivery, and assessment tasks are welcome. Each session feedback is sought from students and other stakeholders about the courses offered in the School and continual improvements are made based on this feedback. UNSW's myExperience survey is one of the ways in which student evaluative feedback is gathered. In this course, we will seek your feedback through informal class feedback and end of semester via myExperience responses.

7. COURSE SCHEDULE

Week	Lecture Topic	Tutorial Topic	Readings (Available in Study Kit)	Assessment
Week 1 25 th July	Introduction to Organisational Behaviour	NO TUTORIALS		
Week 2 1 st August	Personality and individual differences	Understand your personality (EPP)	Bregman Chamorro 2016 Schrage 2014 Winsborough 2015	
Week 3 8 th August	Work Attitudes	Work Attitudes: Understand your job satisfaction (WVQ) and Attributional Styles (OASQ)	Allen 2008	
Week 4 15 th August	Workplace Motivation	Goal setting	Nicholson 2003 Nohria et al. 2008	
Week 5 22 nd August	Leadership	Prepare for Team Presentation	Kellerman 2004	Assignment 1 due Monday of Week 5 Prepare for Assignment 2
Week 6 29 th August	Job Design	Job Design	Simmons 2005	
Week 7 5 th September	Stress	Assignment 2	Hill 2008	Assignment 2 in tutorial
Week 8 12 th September	Turnover	Assignment 3 Preparation	Taylor 2016 Murnieks 2016	Prepare for Assignment 3
Week 9 19 th September	Power and Conflict Movie Time	Power and conflict	Pfeffer 2010	
		RECESS		
Week 10 3 rd October	Organisational Culture	Culture	Barside, S., & O'Neill, O. (2016).	
Week 11 10 th October	Organisational Change	Tutorial 11: Change	Christenson et al. 2000	
Week 12 17 th October	Review	Tutorial 12: Review	-	Assignment 3 due one day before tutorial
Week 13	NO LECTURE	NO TUTORIALS	-	-