Business Plan - Writing Guideline

Executive Summary - to be written last. Refer to lecture notes what to be included.

Introduction to the company - justify, elaborate and explain EACH part.

- For example, who are the markets? Why do u view this "groups" as your target market? Any statistics or statements to support your elaborations.
- Revenue model Describe HOW the company.....
- Operation Setup Describe and elaborate the extend
- Long Term Goals Should have more than one. The important point is "Where does management see the company heading?"
- Market and Competitors Who are the competitors? Direct and indirect competitors. Perform competitor's analysis. Refer to lecture for others information to be included based on different business sectors.
- Business Model & Description This part itself is independent assessment. Pay attention on this part.

Employment f knowledge workers

- For EACH of the management team, suggest to identify their skills, expertise or knowledge area which is IMPORTANT / RELEVANT / SUPPORTING the business idea.
- Human Resource Plan is to justify the three years projected human resource plan; not to impress and make the human resource plan looks good

Product or Service Development

- Section 4.1 is the key section, in-depth analysis and writing is advised.
- For the section of Benefits & Customer Value, look from the viewpoint of how does your business idea help/assist/benefit the customers from different perspectives. Without this: what would happen? How inconvenient it would be? Where can the customer find alternative solution? How does it impact customer routine, day-to-day life?

Marketing Program

- This section takes up 20% of the entire weightage.
- This section closely related to the business model and revenue model, which has been discussed in the earlier section.
- I **STRONGLY** suggest students to use the guideline from lecture notes when writing this section.
- The lecture note discuss and analyse various perspective of customer segments. Each customer segments are unique and hence the marketing program is UNIQUE too. Avoid using the term "using internet marketing", "perform road show" etc WITHOUT further elaboration and explanation. Road show itself has many ways of executing as the term "Road Show" is general but the way of executing it may differ. Hence, a detail elaboration and analysis is needed.