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FALL 2003 STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT BADM 446

Tu. &Th. 11:10-12:30 Room GBB 222

Week	Week Of	Description	Reading*
1	8/31	Why Strategy	1
2	9/7	External Factors	2
3	9/14	Internal Factors	3
4	9/21	Business Unit & Functional Strategy	4
5	9/28	SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT	
6	10/5	Business Unit Strategy	5
7	10/12	Corporate Strategy	6
8	10/19	Strategic Options, Midterm	7
9	10/26	Implementation & Control	9
10	11/2	Global Interconnectedness	8
11	11/9	Human Factors & Change	
12	11/16	Companies In Transition	-
13	11/23	Ethics & CSR	-
14	11/30	Open	
15	12/7	Presentations	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
16	12/14	FINAL	

*Refers to Chapters in Text "STRATEGY – A View From the Top" By DeKluyver & Pearce

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BADM 446 BUSINESS STRATEGY

Objectives

The course objective is to expose the student to the elements of business strategy in the context of both traditional and special situations, especially dealing with contemporary movements and events. Thus, the concepts of Social Responsibility, International Impacts, Corporate Turnaround & Restructure and Human Factors are examined together with exposure to a broad spectrum of the major thinkers and commentators in the field of business.

Course Components

There are five major components of the course in addition to the lectures and readings in the text. The components and their final grade weights are as follows:

A. Team Project, Development and Presentation	30%			
B. Author/Book Report - Special Project	20%			
C. Broad Issue Test, Essay Questions, 1/2 Hour, Closed Book				
October 23 rd	25%			
D. Last Session Test, 1/2 Hour Multiple Choice/Blanks, Content of Text,				
Presentations, and Lectures, Closed Book	25%			
E. Class Participation	Extra Credit			

Team Project

Teams will be assigned by the Instructor and given a topic, company or industry to study which is relevant to business strategy. Meetings will be held between the team and instructor during the semester to reflect on progress and what has been learned to that point. During the semester Presentations will be made by each team the week of December 7th.

Author/Book Report

An author, publication or topic will be assigned to each student from the attached list. On October 7th a one sheet, typed report, single spaced, 12 Font will be submitted. The report shall explain who the author is, the affiliation and general characteristics, e.g. conservative economist, strategist, originator of the theory of relativity, etc. Choose and explain the author's views as exemplified by a book or articles. Close with one sentence explaining your impression or response.

The papers will be reproduced and a full set handed out to each student at a subsequent session. Students shall provide a verbal summary of their findings on October 7th. Quality of the paper submitted will count strongly in grading, and will include the originality of thinking and content as well as grammar and spelling.

AUTHOR LIST

The following list of authors represents a group of luminaries whose views impacted or are currently influencing business practice. In some instances the body of the work must be probed for relevance to Business Strategy.

Robert C. Solomon Jagdish Bhagwati Kenichi Obmae Peter Drucker Tom Peters John Kotter Paul Samuelson Sr. Elton Mayo Rosabeth Moss Kanter Frederich Taylor James Bryan Quinn Henry Mintzberg Charles Handy Adam Smith David Ricardo Karl Marx John Gray The Economist* David A. Kolb Abraham Maslow Charles Darwin Herbert Spencer Plato's Allegory of the Caves *Format will differ. Overall description of coverage, characteristics, style, etc.

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ISSUES & CONCEPTS

The following are some fundamental Issues & Concepts of Strategic Management which are covered in the first half of the course during your assigned reading.

You should understand these items from an application standpoint –Beyond the formal textbook definitions and examples – Sufficient to apply them to new situations. The closed book MidTerm will expect your facility in their use.

Strategy in 3 questions SWOT & PEST Analysis Strategy by corporate level, i.e. Business unit, Function, etc. **Emergent Strategies Cognitive Biases Dialectic Method** Stakeholder Concept Corporate Social Responsibility Learning Theory 5 Forces Model Industry Life Cycle Competitive Advantage (Corporate, Sustained, National) Building Blocks of Competitive Advantage Methods of Achieving Competitive Advantage Generic Competitive Advantage Generic Competitive Strategies Strategic Groups **Investment Strategies** Competitive Strategies for Differing Industry Environments e.g., fragmented, embryonic, mature, declining, falling demand, etc. Customer responsiveness - Focus and Satisfaction of Needs Internationalization -- Motives Influence of Factor Conditions **Distinctive Competencies** Methods of Entering Foreign Markets Strategic Alliances.