

# A POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTION

School of Business Program: Marketing Management Option: Entrepreneurship

# APR 0 9 2003

Course Outline

## MKTG 4437 Current Issues in Entrepreneurship

Start Date:	March 17, 2003		End Date:	May	23, 2003		
Total Hours:	30 Total Weeks:	10		Term/Level:	4	Course Credits:	2
Hours/Week:	3 Lecture:	2 Lab:	1	Shop:		Seminar:	Other:
Prerequisites MKTG 3306			Course Number is a Prerequisite for:				
Course No.	No. Course Name			Course No. Course Name			

#### v Course Description

This course will provide the students with an in-depth understanding of current issues and opportunities relevant to entrepreneurship. It will examine how the entrepreneur identifies and takes advantage of opportunities and deals with challenges facing them in the contemporary marketplace. The subject matter will vary depending on current factors being faced by entrepreneurial organizations. The entrepreneurial approach will keep the student abreast of challenges and prepared with solutions to successfully implement a strategy in an ever-changing market.

#### v Evaluation

Simulation	10%	Comments: Failure to achieve 50% or more on : the
Midterm Examination	30%	combination of the exams (midterm + final), and the
Final Examination	45%	individual assignments/participation marks; will require 0%
Lab Participation	15%	being assigned for all other group projects and assignments,
TOTAL	100%	resulting in a failing grade for this course.

#### v Course Learning Outcomes/Competencies

Upon successful completion, the student will be able to:

- Identify contemporary issues in entrepreneurship
- Create, implement and apply solutions to challenges in these issue areas
- Identify opportunities in contemporary entrepreneurship trends
- Create and implement strategies to take advantage of these opportunities

# Verification

I verify that the content of this course outline is current. 6 1R Authoring Instructor I verify that this course outline has been reviewed. Program Head/Chief Instructor Date I verify that this course outline complies with BCIT policy. /Associate D Note: Should changes be required to the content of this course outline, students will be given reasonable notice.

## Instructor(s)

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### Learning Resources

Required:

Students must visit the course website at least once a week to obtain readings

## Information for Students

Assignments: Late assignments, lab reports or projects will not be accepted for marking. Assignments must be done on an individual basis unless otherwise specified by the instructor.

Makeup Tests, Exams or Quizzes: There will be no makeup tests, exams or quizzes. If you miss a test, exam or quiz, you will receive zero marks. Exceptions may be made for documented medical reasons or extenuating circumstances. In such a case, it is the responsibility of the student to inform the instructor immediately.

Ethics: BCIT assumes that all students attending the Institute will follow a high standard of ethics. Incidents of cheating or plagiarism may, therefore, result in a grade of zero for the assignment, quiz, test, exam, or project for all parties involved and/or expulsion from the course.

Attendance: The attendance policy as outlined in the current BCIT Calendar will be enforced. Attendance will be taken at the beginning of each session. Students not present at that time will be recorded as absent.

Missing more than 10% of classes without prior arrangement and consent of your instructor may result in a grade of 0% being assigned for your final exam, equating to a failing grade for this course.

Illness: A doctor's note is required for any illness causing you to miss assignments, quizzes, tests, projects, or exam. At the discretion of the instructor, you may complete the work missed or have the work prorated.

Attempts: Students must successfully complete a course within a maximum of three attempts at the course. Students with two attempts in a single course will be allowed to repeat the course only upon special written permission from the Associate Dean. Students who have not successfully completed a course within three attempts will not be eligible to graduate from the appropriate program.

**Course Outline Changes:** The material or schedule specified in this course outline may be changed by the instructor. If changes are required, they will be announced in class.

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Neek Date		Material to Be Covered	Lab Session	
1	March 18 Current Entrepreneurial Opportunities i. turnarounds		Introduction to course	
2	March 25 Current Entrepreneurial Opportunities (cont'd) ii. employment		See website	
3	April 1	Current Entrepreneurial Opportunities (cont'd) iii. privatization iv. employee ownership	See website	
4	April 8	Simulation	See website	
5	April 15	Midterm Exam	See website	
6	April 22	Venture Finance 1 Analysing Financial Information	See website	
7	April 29	Venture Finance 2 Analysing Financial Information	See website	
8	May 6	Venture Finance 3 Analysing Financial Information	See website	
9	May 13	Venture Finance 4 Venture Capital / near banks	See website	
10	May 20 - 23	FINAL EXAM		

