

## **EFFECTIVE: SEPTEMBER 2004 CURRICULUM GUIDELINES**

A.	Division:	Instruction	F	Effective Date:		September 2004		
В.	Department / Program Area:	Commerce & Business Admin. New Venture Management	F	Revision	X	New Course		
			F I	f Revision, Section(s) Revised: Date of Previous Revisio Date of Current Revision		C 2002-09 H 2004-09		
C:	D:			oute of Current Revision		E:		
				lanning for New Ventures 3				
	Subject & Course No. Descrip		ptive T	e Title Semester Credits				
F:	Calendar Description:  This course provides students with a practical approach in preparing and presenting a comprehensive business plan. Topics include: identifying key business plan components, business plan development, developing key worksheets and support documents, packaging and presentation techniques, and examining common misconceptions in business planning.							
G:	Allocation of Contact Hours to Type of Instruction / Learning Settings		Н:	Course Prerequisites:  English 12 with a letter grade of "C" or better				
	Primary Methods of Instructional Delivery and/or Learning Settings:							
			I:	I: Course Corequisites:				
	Lectures and S	Lectures and Seminars		Nil				
	Number of Cont for each descrip	tact Hours: (per week / semester tor)	J:	Course for which this Course is a Prerequisite				
	Lecture: Seminar:	3 Hours 1 Hour 4 Hours		Nil				
	Total:		K:	Maximum Class Size	Maximum Class Size:			
	Number of Weeks per Semester:			35				
	15 Weeks X 4 Hours per Week = 60 Hours							
L:	PLEASE INDICATE:							
	Non-Credi	it						
	College Credit Non-Transfer							
		redit Transfer:						
	SEE BC TRANS	SEE BC TRANSFER GUIDE FOR TRANSFER DETAILS (www.bccat.bc.ca)						

## M: Course Objectives / Learning Outcomes

The student will be able to:

- 1. outline the basic components of a business plan;
- 2. develop pro-forma financial schedules using computerized spreadsheets;
- 3. develop a business plan utilizing proper packaging techniques;
- 4. identify common misconceptions in business planning;
- 5. demonstrate effective business plan presentation techniques.

## **N:** Course Content:

- 1. Business Plan Introduction
  - importance of a business plan
  - basic elements of business planning
  - modular presentation techniques
- 2. Business Plan Components
  - preparing corporate identity and mission statements
  - describing the company and its product
  - developing a marketing plan
    - i) market study
    - ii) marketing game plan
    - iii) monetary market reaction
  - developing a financial plan
    - i) balance sheet
    - ii) income statement
    - iii) cash flow projection
  - identifying team members
    - i) organization
    - ii) operating management
    - iii) incentive plans
  - preparing appendices
    - i) summation
    - ii) important supplementary data
  - preparing an executive summary
- 3. Presenting a Business Plan
  - covering letter
  - writing style and format
  - packaging and presentation
  - effective support tools
    - i) spreadsheet programs
    - ii) desktop publishing
    - iii) corporate videos
- 4. Common Misconceptions in Business Planning
  - real cost of money
  - staffing costs
  - market entry problems
  - supplier dependence
  - lack of identity
  - fad businesses

Date: September 2004

0:	Methods of Instruction					
	Lectures, seminar discussions, case studies, guest lectures on business planning.					
P:	Textbooks and Materials to be Purchased by Students					
	Kapron, Juille, <u>BIZPLAN BUILDER</u> , Latest Edition. ITP Publishing.					
Q:	Means of Assessment					
	Midterm Examination 20% Group Project 15% Business Plan 25% Final Examination 30% Participation 10% 100%					
R:	Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition: specify whether course is open for PLAR					
	No					
Course Designer(s): B. Villeneuve/L. Mackenzie		Education Council / Curriculum Committee Representative				
Dean / Director: Rosilyn G. Coulson		Registrar: Trish Angus				

© Douglas College. All Rights Reserved.

Date: September 2004