COURSE NAME: Innovation and Entrepreneurship
COURSE NUMBER: 11:373:403
SEMESTER: Fall 2019
MEETING DAYS, TIMES, AND PLACE: M, TH 12:35PM – 1:55PM, WAL 209

PREREQUISITE: 11:373:231

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COURSE WEBSITE, RESOURCES AND MATERIALS:

COURSE DESCRIPTION:
“The direction of all economic affairs is in the market society a task of the entrepreneurs. Theirs is the control of production. They are at the helm and steer the ship. A superficial observer would believe that they are supreme. But they are not. They are bound to obey unconditionally the captain’s orders. The captain is the consumer.”

Ludwig Von Mises, Human Action (1940).

In this course, we will explore how the entrepreneur (translated from the French “undertaker”) use new knowledge (innovation) or updated knowledge to address a consumer need. Consumers can be acutely aware of this need or ignorant of the need, in this latter instance the consumer depends on the entrepreneur to introduce him/her to a good or service that “he/she can’t really live without.”

LEARNING GOALS:
• Student will learn the microeconomic theory that underpins Innovative Entrepreneurship.
• Student will become familiar with the financial and non-financial instruments that can facilitate the entrepreneurial function.
• Student will learn about the constructive and destructive roles that government can have on entrepreneurship and innovation.
• Students will grapple with the issue “can entrepreneurship be taught.”

ASSIGNMENTS/RESPONSIBILITIES, GRADING & ASSESSMENT:
• Participation in class. Students are expected to attend all classes.
• Completing a midterm and a final exam.
• Complete an individual or group project that can be submitted to a public or private funding sources (micro-enterprise incubator, private venture capitalist, investment firms, U.S. Small Business Administration – Office of Entrepreneurial Development, etc.) which will guide/finance your project through the stages of refined conceptualization, design implementation, and marketing.
The course grade will be computed as follows:

- Midterm Exam: 25%
- Case Study Write-ups: 25%
- Individual/Group Project: 25%
- Final Exam: 25%

Grading scale will be as follows: A = 90% or above; B+ = 85-89%; B = 80-84%; C+ = 75-79%; C = 70-74%; D = 60-69%; F = Below 60%

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**COURSE SCHEDULE:**

This outline gives the topics that we will cover; however, we may spend more time on some topics and less on others if this is necessary.

- **Week 1**
  - Introduction to Course
  - [KUR] Chapter 1

- **Week 2**
  - The microeconomic Theory of Entrepreneurship
  - [KUR] Chapter 2

- **Week 3**
  - Entrepreneurial Mindset(s)
  - [KUR] Chapter 3

- **Week 4**
  - Social and Moral Entrepreneurship
  - [KUR] Chapter 4
  - Project Concept Paper
  - Case Study 1: Arvind Eye Hospital

- **Week 5**
  - Innovation
  - [KUR] Chapter 5
  - Case Study 1: Summary Due

- **Week 6**
  - Assessing Entrepreneurial Opportunities
  - [KUR] Chapter 6

- **Week 7**
  - Pathways to Entrepreneurial Ventures
  - [KUR] Chapter 7
  - Case Study 2: Nurture thru Nature (NtN)
Week 8  MIDTERM EXAM
Case Study 2: Summary Due

Week 9  Marketing Research for Entrepreneurial Venture
[KUR] Chapter 10

Week 10  Financial and Legal Preparation
[KUR] Chapters 9 and 11
Case Study 3: Google

Week 11  Effective Business Plan
[KUR] Chapter 12
Case Study 3: Summary Due

Week 12  Strategic Entrepreneurial Growth
[GU] Chapter 13
Preliminary Business Plan Due

Week 13  Valuation of Entrepreneurial Ventures
[GU] Chapter 14

Week 14  The Role of Government and University
Reading: Materials provided

Week 15  Individual (Group) Project Presentation of Proposed Venture

Exam Week:  FINAL EXAM

FINAL EXAM/PAPER DATE AND TIME
Online Final exam Schedule: http://finalexams.rutgers.edu/

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- the academic and ethical development of all students is fostered.
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