



DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND OFFICE ADMINISTRATION

COURSE OUTLINE – Winter 2021

OA 1240 A3: Work Experience – 3 (0-0-12) 120 hours for 15 weeks

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WINTER 2021 DELIVERY:

Mixed Delivery – Remote and Offsite. This course is delivered remotely with some face-to-face/offsite components in the work experience setting.

- For the remote delivery components: students must have a computer with a webcam and reliable internet connection. Technological support is available through helpdesk@gprc.ab.ca.
- For the offsite components: Students must follow the offsite agencies COVID-19 Guidelines and Protocols as well as the [GPRC Campus Access Guidelines and Expectations](#).

Note: GPRC reserves the right to change the course delivery.

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION:

This course provides an opportunity for the student to work in a supervised office environment and apply skills and knowledge learned in the program. A minimum of 120 hours of work experience over one semester is required. Students will complete an orientation to office information systems prior to the practicum. Students will work full shifts in a professional office with an experienced office manager. The office manager will act as supervisor and the student will follow the supervisor's work rotation.

PREREQUISITE(S)/COREQUISITE:

All other program requirements must be completed prior to beginning this course.

PRACTICUM PROGRESSION CRITERIA:

The student will have successfully completed five courses in the Certificate program and have at least a C+ Average.

REQUIRED TEXT/RESOURCE MATERIALS:

Forms and instructions are provided. The instructor, in consultation with the student, will arrange placement.

DELIVERY MODE(S): Seminar/ Practicum (120 hrs)

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Upon successful completion of the course, students will obtain the following skills:

- Apply skills and knowledge learned in the program.
- Have knowledge of the critical skills required to succeed in the computerized office.
- Professional knowledge and skills in communication.
- Professional knowledge and skills in interpersonal relations.
- Develop superior office skills that are highly sought after by all employers.

TRANSFERABILITY:

Please consult the Alberta Transfer Guide for more information. You may check to ensure the transferability of this course at Alberta Transfer Guide main page <http://www.transferralberta.ca>

**** Grade of D or D+ may not be acceptable for transfer to other post-secondary institutions. Students are cautioned that it is their responsibility to contact the receiving institutions to ensure transferability**

EVALUATIONS:

- If the student has satisfactorily met the expectations of the supervisor and the faculty advisor during the work experience period, the student shall receive credit for the course.
- No letter grade shall be assigned to this course.
- ALL PAPERWORK MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE A FINAL GRADE IS AWARDED

GRADING CRITERIA

A grade of pass or fail is given for this course

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

- To read, understand and comply with GPRC academic policies.
- To meet for 3 seminars:
 1. Wednesday January 13th at 11:30, Zoom link provided on MyClass
 2. Wednesday February 24th at 11:30, Zoom
 3. Wednesday, April 7th at 11:30, Zoom
- The students, in consultation with faculty advisor, shall determine the company with whom work experience shall take place. A resume is to be handed in to your advisor for the purpose of sending to potential placement sites (the resume and cover letter are required for the January seminar).
- The student will complete a Workplace Orientation booklet and prepare a timesheet to record their running hours.
- The student, faculty advisor, and office supervisor will meet to determine the work experience component, hours of employment, evaluation procedures, etc.

- Student is required to hand in Bi-Weekly Reports during the employment period on a regular basis and retain a copy for their own records.

STATEMENT ON PLAGIARISM AND CHEATING:

Cheating and plagiarism will not be tolerated and there will be penalties. For a more precise definition of plagiarism and its consequences, refer to the Student Conduct section of the College Admission Guide at <http://www.gprc.ab.ca/programs/calendar/> or the College Policy on Student Misconduct: Plagiarism and Cheating at <http://www.gprc.ab.ca/about/administration/policies/>

**Note: all Academic and Administrative policies are available on the same page.