GPRC

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION AND COMMERCE

COURSE OUTLINE – FALL 2011

BA 1150_D2 Introduction to Computers in Business

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OFFICE HOURS: By Appointment

PREREQUISITE(S)/COREQUISITE: None

REQUIRED TEXT/RESOURCE MATERIALS:

Grauer, Exploring Microsoft Office 2010 Volume 1, 1st edition: Prentice Hall, 2011

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION:

This course is a practical introduction to the software applications most commonly used in business. Students will develop a basic working knowledge of a desktop operating system and a suite of business software applications that will include file management, word processing, spreadsheet, presentation and database management.

CREDIT/CONTACT HOURS: 5 (3-2-0) UT

DELIVERY MODE(S):

Lecture:	11:30-12:50 T	A313
Lecture:	11:30-12:50 R	A313
Lab:	14:30-16:20 F	A313

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

- 1. Computer Concepts:
 - Understanding computer terminology and knowing the specifications when buying a computer.
 - o Understanding the Windows environment: opening and saving files.
 - File management.
- 2. Microsoft Word:
 - Creating and editing documents.
 - Setting margins and specifying page orientations, inserting page breaks, adding page numbers, inserting headers and footers, creating sections, inserting cover pages, using find and replace, checking spelling and grammar, print options, customizing Word.
 - Applying font attributes, highlighting text, controlling word wrapping, copying formats using format painter, tabs and borders, columns, creating table of contents.
 - Inserting and formatting tables, sorting and applying formulas to table data, inserting clipart and images to documents, inserting wordart and symbols.
 - Inserting comments in a document, tracking changes in a document, viewing documents side by side, mail merges.
- 3. Microsoft Excel:
 - Workbook and worksheet management
 - Formatting
 - Formulas and functions
 - Charts and tables
- 4. Microsoft Access:
 - Filters and sorts
 - Relational databases
 - Table design, properties, views and wizards
 - o Queries
 - Expression builder and functions
 - Forms and reports
- 5. Microsoft PowerPoint:
 - Presentation creation and development
 - Utilizing templates
 - Inserting shapes, smartart, wordart, clipart
 - Inserting picture, video and audio

TRANSFERABILITY:

- University of Lethbridge *
- Athabasca University *
- Augustana Faculty, University of Alberta
- Concordia University College C
- Other (transfers in combination with other courses or to other institutions)

* An asterisk (*) beside any transfer institution indicates important transfer information. Consult the Alberta Transfer Guide ** 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.

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Grading Conversion Chart						
Alpha Grade	4-point Equivalent	Percentage Guidelines	Designation			
A+	4.0	90 - 100	EXCELLENT			
А	4.0	85 - 89				
A-	3.7	80 - 84	FIRST CLASS STANDING			
B+	3.3	76 - 79				
В	3.0	73 - 75	GOOD			
B-	2.7	70 - 72				
C+	2.3	67 - 69				
С	2.0	64 - 66	SATISFACTORY			
C-	1.7	60 - 63				
D+	1.3	55 - 59	MINIMAL PASS			
D	1.0	50 - 54				
F	0.0	0 - 49	FAIL			
WF	0.0	0	FAIL, withdrawal after the deadline			

GRADING CRITERIA:

EVALUATIONS:

Computer Concepts	15%
MS Word Quiz	15%
MS Excel Quiz	10%
MS Access Quiz	10%
MS PowerPoint Quiz	10%
Assignments	10%
Final Exam	30%

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

- 1. Students will be expected to attend class on a regular basis. Any student having more than six (6) inexcusable absences may not be allowed to write the final exam.
- 2. Excusable absences must be requested prior to the missing class, except for the case of an unforeseen emergency.
- 3. All assignments must be submitted using the software taught in this course unless otherwise noted.
- 4. Although students are encouraged to assist each other, all assignments must be individually done. In the past, there has been some problems with students working in collaboration with each other and then submitting identical solutions.

STATEMENT ON PLAGIARISM AND CHEATING:

Refer to the Student Conduct section of the College Admission Guide at <u>http://www.gprc.ab.ca/programs/calendar/</u> or the college Policy on Student Misconduct: Plagiarism and Cheating at <u>www.gprc.ab.ca/about/administration/policies/</u> ***

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

Week	Topics	Notes
Sept. 5 th – 9 th	Introduction	No lab Sept. 9 th
Sept. 12 th – 16 th	 Computer Concepts ► Computer terminology ► Office fundamentals ► Windows environment 	
Sept. 19 th – Oct. 7 th	Microsoft Word ► Introduction and intermediate levels 	
Oct. 10 th – 28 th	Microsoft Excel ► Introduction and intermediate levels	Thanksgiving Monday, Oct. 10 th – no classes
Oct. 31 st – Nov. 25 th	Microsoft Access► Introduction and intermediate levels	Nov. 2 nd , last day to withdraw
Nov. 28 th – Dec. 9 th	Microsoft PowerPoint	
Dec. 12 th – 21 st	Cumulative Final Exam	Date to be announced

COURSE SCHEDULE/TENTATIVE TIMELINE: