THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK

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NONPROFIT MANAGEMENT IN HUMAN SERVICES

I. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Course Description: This course emphasizes achievement of human service goals and objectives through management control processes such as programming, budgeting, accounting, fiscal and programmatic data systems, and evaluation. Knowledge and skills in strategic planning are emphasized as well for the on-going assessment of an organization's internal and external environment, organizational strengths, threats, and opportunities, and system integrity with organizational mission as well as social work values and ethics. Course materials and assignments provide the basis for evaluating these processes as students prepare for field education in a variety of community agencies.

II. COURSE OBJECTIVES

By the end of the course students will be able to:

- 1. Analyze the contributions of internal management control processes, including planning, programming, budgeting, fiscal management, information systems, and evaluation, in the effective pursuit of human service organization goals and objectives;
- 2. Conduct an internal management audit/operations analysis of a human service organization utilizing appropriate qualitative and quantitative statistical techniques;
- 3. Create functional and program budgets;
- 4. Apply strategic planning principles for on-going assessment of an organization's internal and external environment, threats and opportunities, and system integrity with organizational mission and social work values and ethics;
- 5. Critique strategic planning, budgeting, fiscal, and programmatic management systems of a human service organization while demonstrating knowledge of values and ethical issues in social work practice;
- 6. Understand the role of diversity in organizational management and develop skills to evaluate strategies and practices to overcome barriers to professional advancement and successful performance due to age, race, gender, social class, culture, religion, sexual orientation, and physical or mental ability.

III. TEACHING METHODS

Education is not received. It is achieved. – Anonymous

Dr. Murillo's Teaching Philosophy and Methods

I believe that students are ultimately responsible and accountable for contributing to their learning and for the level and depth of knowledge they take from this class. I expect students to engage in critical analysis and discussion of topics and issues.

In my courses, I implement experiential learning methods and facilitate a cooperative, active, and student-directed learning environment that challenges students to critically review, analyze, and evaluate course material. My teaching methods incorporate a variety of approaches, including readings, lectures, discussions, audiovisual materials, guest speakers, group assignments/activities, experiential learning exercises and student presentations.

IV. REQUIRED TEXTS

Required:

Worth, M.J. (2013). *Nonprofit Management: Principles and Practice*. 3rd edition. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage. <a href="http://www.amazon.com/Nonprofit-Management-Principles-Michael-Worth/dp/1452243093/ref=sr_1_2?ie=UTF8&qid=1376871532&sr=8-2&keywords=Nonprofit+Management%3A+Principles+and+Practice.+2nd+edition#reader_1452243093

Dees, J.G., Emerson, J., & Economy, P. (2002). Strategic tools for social entrepreneurs: Enhancing the performance of your enterprising nonprofit. New York: Wiley. http://www.amazon.com/Strategic-Tools-Social-Entrepreneurs-Enterprising/dp/0471150681/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1376871864&sr=8-1&keywords=Strategic+tools+for+social

Crutchfield, L. R., McLeod Grant, H. (2008) Forces for Good: The Six Practices of High-Impact Nonprofits. San Francisco: John Wiley & Sons.

http://www.utxa.eblib.com.ezproxy.lib.utexas.edu/patron/FullRecord.aspx?p=319318&echo=1&userid=sRyo2dLf0AQ%3d&tstamp=1378867022&id=42CB1E38943B414442E30EA87EA6694836FDB9D0

Neff, D. J. & Moss, R. D. (2011). *The Future of Nonprofits: Innovate and Thrive in the Digital Age*. New Jersey: John Wiley & Sons. http://utxa.eblib.com.ezproxy.lib.utexas.edu/patron/FullRecord.aspx?p=675214&echo=1&userid=s Ryo2dLf0AQ%3d&tstamp=1378867097&id=9C3C74B3F2F5064A43FC2433F40E30722832C493

Additional article readings may be assigned throughout the semester.

V. COURSE ASSIGNMETTS

This course is designed to provide basic information on a variety of nonprofit management issues while encouraging student in their own particular areas of interest. The assignments for this class are listed below.

In class participation (10 Pts.)

This course requires extensive in-class small and large group discussions and activities related to readings, related topics, and assignments. Student participation is expected and encouraged. The ten points for this component include attendance (5 total points) and in-class participation (5 total points). Students will be allowed **one (1) absence** without an excuse or loss of points. Students are to notify the professor in advance when they are going to be absent. See attendance policy.

Individual Readings Reflection and Team Chapter Presentation (20 Pts.)

The purpose of the chapter reflection and team chapter presentation is to engage students in weekly readings and encourage personal thought and reflection, as well as facilitate dialogue and critical analysis of topics covered. As listed below, each team has been assigned a chapter reading which they will use to develop their reflection and their presentation. Assignment guidance and grade rubric will be handed out in class

Individual Reflection Paper Based on Crutchfield Forces for Good - 10pts.

- ➤ Team A: Chapter 2 Advocate and Serve
- ➤ Team B: Chapter 3 Make Markets Work
- ➤ Team C: Chapter 5 Nurture Nonprofit Networks
- > Team D: Chapter 6 Master the Art of Adaptation
- > Team E: Chapter 7 Shared Leadership

Team Chapter Reading Presentation (10pts)

- ➤ Team A Dees, Ch. 2: Developing an Entrepreneurial Competitive Strategy
- ➤ Team B Dees, Ch. 3: Cooperative Strategy: Networks, Partnerships and Alliances
- ➤ Team C Dees, Ch. 4: Leading, Retaining, and Rewarding People Entrepreneurially
- > Team D Dees, Ch. 9: Managing Paid Staff and Volunteers
- > Team E Worth, Ch. 14: Financial Management

High Impact Nonprofit Overview and Analysis and Brief Presentation (20 Pts.)

In this project, Teams will choose one of the 12 High Impact nonprofits highlighted in the Crutchfield Forces for Good Text Book (Appendix E). The Analysis will include description of board of directors, agency vision, mission, strategy, structure and staffing, programs/services and budget. Analysis will also address the organization's strategy for advocacy to government, work with business, collaboration, and engagement. Students will be expected to do a brief presentation of their Analysis. Project guidance and grade rubric will be handed out in class.

Nonprofit Concept and Comprehensive Plan Proposal (50 Pts.)

Teams will develop an idea for a nonprofit organization and submit a comprehensive proposal for developing the nonprofit. This assignment (nonprofit proposal) is divided in 6 parts. Each part will be submitted throughout the semester as outlined in the syllabus. In addition to peer feedback, students will receive extensive feedback and technical assistance from professor and other experts in the field. Students will present their ideas/proposal throughout the semester. Towards the latter part of the semester, each team will be required to present their final nonprofit proposal (PowerPoint). Final presentations will be no more than 30-35 minutes including up to 10 minutes for questions and answers. Students will demonstrate that they integrated the readings, followed the assignment guidance, and analyzed the group process to include "aha moments" and lessons learned. Below is a high-level outline of the proposal's key elements - project specifics and grading rubric will be handed out in class.

- Part I: 2- Page Proposal of Nonprofit (8pts)
- Part II: Industry Analysis and Environmental Scan (8pts)
- > Part III: Strategy and Structure (8pts)
- ➤ Part IV: Implementation Plan (8pts)
- > Part V: Key Success Factors (8pts)
- > Part VI: Comprehensive Plan & Presentation (10pts)

VI. **COURSE GRADING**

Written work should be well-conceptualized and researched, clearly organized and concise, and supported by examples that show evidence of thorough and thoughtful analysis.

Grades will be assigned according to the cumulative number of point the student has earned:

Attendance & Punctuality In-class Participation

10 points

- Attendance & Punctuality (5pts)
- o In-class Participation (5pts)
- Crutchfield Chapter Individual Reflection

10 points

Team Chapter Reading Presentation

10 points

High Impact Nonprofit Overview and Analysis (Crutchfield)

20 points

- o Analysis of One (1) High Impact Nonprofit (10pts)
- o Brief Presentation of Analysis (10pts)
- Nonprofit Concept and Comprehensive Plan Proposal

50 points

- o Part I 2- Page Proposal of Nonprofit (8pts)
- Industry Analysis and Environmental Scan (8pts) o Part II
- o Part III Strategy and Structure (8pts) o Part IV
- Implementation Plan (8pts)
- o Part V Key Success Factors (8pts)
- o Part VI Comprehensive Plan Presentation (10pts)

(On day of proposal presentation day, teams will be required to submit a binder that will include final (graded) Nonprofit Proposal Parts I-VI)

(-5pts if not submitted)

TOTAL 100 points Grades will be assigned as follow:

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94.0 and Above = A
                               90.0 to 93.999
                                                  = A -
87.0 \text{ to } 89.999 = B+
                               84 0 to 86 999
                                                  = B
                                                          80.0 \text{ to } 83.999 = B
                                                          70.0 to 73.999 = C-
77.0 \text{ to } 77.999 = C+
                               74.0 to 76.999
                                                  = C
67.0 \text{ to } 69.999 = D+
                               64.0 to 66.99
                                                         60.0 to 63.999 = D-
                                                  = D
Below 60
                  = F
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Note: MSSW Students must make <u>a C or above</u> to avoid having to repeat the course Students who cannot, for any reason, complete the course are advised to complete the withdrawal process in order to avoid an F. The professor will not withdraw students unless specifically requested to do so by the University.

VII. COURSE POLICIES

- 1. Readings and Preparatory Assignments. Students are expected to participate in an interactive framework between collegiate students and professor. Students are also expected to complete the readings and preparatory assignments prior to class and should be well prepared to participate in discussions and experiential learning assignments. Failure to demonstrate through discussions that one has comprehended the readings will be considered when assigning the final grade. Students are responsible for the material in the assigned readings whether or not the material is covered in class.
- 2. Class Attendance Policy. Class attendance is required. Class will begin promptly at 5:30pm. The class experience is co-constructed and students are expected to attend class regularly. Attendance is defined as student's attentive physical presence in class for the entire class period. Students will be allowed one (1) unexcused absence. Students should make every effort to notify the professor when they are going to be absent. If a student has more than one unexcused absence, the professor reserves the right to lower that student's final grade by one point for each class missed beyond the one allowed. Students should make every effort to arrive and leave on time. Late arrivals and early departures can disrupt the class process. Establishing a pattern of late arrivals and early departures will negatively affect attendance points. A pattern is considered three or more late arrivals and/or early departures during the semester. Students are responsible for any material missed due to absences.
- 3. **Engagement and Civility**. The professor expects students to actively engage and act in a civil manner during class. Students should feel free to voice their opinions in a manner that can enhance the flow of ideas and dialogue. Using diplomacy, tact, and cooperation with fellow students will provide students practice for future interactions. Class presentations, if applicable, require professional dress. Successful engagement includes professional communication and being fully "present" without the distraction of multitasking during class.
 - Respectful Communication/Interactions: Refrain from private discussions during class or other disruptive behavior. Disrespect toward the professor, students, or others is unacceptable and will be handled directly and in the context in which it occurs.
 - **No Multitasking:** Multi-tasking with electronic devises is not allowed during class. Students **MAY NOT** use any electronic devises during class unless these are required for the specific class session or to allow students to participate. Electronic devises include laptops, cell phones, 'Ear buds,' I-Pods, etc. ensure that electronic devises are stored and on "silent" mode. Grade will be negatively affected by student's failure to comply with this policy.

- 4. **Confidentiality**. Students are expected to maintain confidentiality regarding all shared professional and personal information related to agencies, clients or the experiences of other students, as required by the National Association of Social Workers Code of Ethics.
- 5. **Assignments and Grades.** Assignments must be electronically submitted by no later than 5:30pm on the date they are due.
 - Late Assignments: Except in the case of extended emergencies, and then only with the permission of the professor, late assignments will not be accepted without penalty. Assignments turned in after class starts will be considered late. If accepted, late assignments will be assessed point penalties at the rate of three (3) points for each day late.
 - Adjustments Due Dates: If the due date is a problem, the student should see the professor and negotiate another due date. Any adjustments in due dates must be discussed with the professor at least 48 hours PRIOR to the regularly scheduled due date.
 - Course Grade: The submission of all assignments does not constitute an A in the course. It means the student has met the basic requirements of the course. Class participation, attendance, and quality of work will determine course grade.
 - **Group Grade:** The professor reserves the right to award differentially weighted grades on the group project. This will normally occur when a member of the group fails to actively participate in the group, consistently misses deadline for assigned tasks, or produces work that is below the quality standards expected for the project. In other words, if a student's individual performance is consistently below par so that it jeopardizes the grades of the other members of the group, that student's grade will be lowered.
 - Final Grade: If students are concerned about their grade, they are encouraged to talk with the professor prior to finalization of grades. Once final grades are assigned in the course these are not negotiable.
- 6. Writing Style. The ability to write in a professional manner is very important for social workers. Written work must be typed, edited for grammatical, spelling and typographical errors. The latest *Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (APA)* is the style manual to be used by all students. Citations and reference page are required when students use external resources to develop their projects/assignments. Professor has a zero tolerance for material that is plagiarized.
- 7. **Use of Canvas in Class.** In this class the professor uses Canvas to distribute course materials, to communicate and collaborate online, to post grades, to submit assignments, and to give students online quizzes and surveys.
- 8. Course modifications. To ensure achievement of course objectives, the professor reserves the right to make modifications to any part of this syllabus related to schedule and assignment due dates. Should any modifications be made students will be notified in class and in writing via Canvas. Students should check their e-mail/Canvas frequently. Note that some of the links to documents and/or videos on the internet might change. Documents, new links or alternate options will be provided if this occurs.
- 9. **Course Feedback.** Student feedback is welcomed. Students are encouraged to provide feedback during office hours and by appointment if they desire.

VIII. GENERAL UNIVERSITY POLICIES

- 1. **The University of Texas Honor Code:** The core values of The University of Texas at Austin are learning, discovery, freedom, leadership, individual opportunity, and responsibility. Each member of the university is expected to uphold these values through integrity, honesty, trust, fairness, and respect toward peers and community.
- 2. Professional Conduct and Civility in the Class: The professor expects students to act as professionals in class. This means students should arrive on time for class, be prepared to participate in the class discussion, and show respect for one another's opinions. A course brings together a group of diverse individuals with various backgrounds. Students are influenced and shaped by such factors as ethnicity, gender, sex, physical abilities, religious and political beliefs, national origins, and sexual orientations, among others. We expect to learn from each other in an atmosphere of positive engagement and mutual respect. Social Work also deals with complex and controversial issues. These issues may be challenging and uncomfortable, and it would be impossible to offer a substantive classroom experience that did not include potentially difficult conversations relating to challenging issues. In this environment we will be exposed to diverse ideas and opinions, and sometimes we will not agree with the ideas expressed by others. Nevertheless, the professor requires that students engage one another with civility, respect, and professionalism.
- 3. **Unanticipated Distress.** Students may experience unexpected and/or distressing reactions to course readings, videos, conversations, and assignments. If so, students are encouraged to inform the professor. The professor can be responsive and supportive regarding students' participation in course assignments and activities, but students are responsible for communicating clearly what kind of support is desired. If counseling is needed, students may contact a service provider of their choosing, including the UT Counseling Center at 512-471-3515 or online at www.utexas.edu/student/cmhc/.
- 4. **Social Media and Professional Communication:** social networks are not private. Even when open only to approved or invited members, users cannot be certain that privacy will exist among the general membership of sites. If social work students choose to participate in such forums, please assume that anything posted can be seen, read, and critiqued. What is said, posted, linked to, commented on, uploaded, subscribed to, etc., can be accessed and archived, posing potential harm to professional reputations and prospective careers.

Social work students who use social media (i.e. Facebook, Twitter, etc.) and other forms of electronic communication (i.e. blogs, etc.) must be mindful of how their communication may be perceived by clients, colleagues, faculty, and others. Social work students are expected to make every effort to minimize material which could be considered inappropriate for a professional social worker in training. Because of this, social work students are advised to manage security settings at their most private levels and avoid posting information/photos or using any language that could jeopardize their professional image.

Students are asked to consider the amount of personal information posted on these sites and are obliged to block any client access to involvement in the students' social networks. Client material should not be referred to in any form of electronic media, including *any* information that might lead to the identification of a client or compromise client confidentiality in *any* way. Additionally, students must critically evaluate any

material that is posted regarding community agencies and professional relationships, as certain material could violate the standards set by the School of Social Work, the Texas Code of Conduct for Social Workers, and/or NASW Code of Ethics.

Social work students should consider that they will be representing professional social work practice as well as The University of Texas at Austin School of Social Work program while in the classroom, the university community, and the broader area communities.

- 5. Policy on Scholastic Dishonesty. Students who violate University rules on scholastic dishonesty are subject to disciplinary penalties, including the possibility of failure in the course and/or dismissal from the University. Since such dishonesty harms the individual, all students, and the integrity of the University, policies on scholastic dishonesty will be strictly enforced. For further information, the student may refer to the Web Site of the Student Judicial Services, Office of the Dean of Students (http://deanofstudents.utexas.edu/sjs/).
- 6. Use of course materials. The materials used in this course, including, but not limited to exams, quizzes, and homework assignments, are copyright protected works. Any unauthorized duplication of the course materials is a violation of federal law and may result in disciplinary action being taken against the student. Additionally, the sharing of course materials without the specific, express approval of the professor may be a violation of the University's Student Honor Code and an act of academic dishonesty, which could result in further disciplinary action. This sharing includes, among other things, uploading class materials to websites for the purpose of distributing those materials to other current or future students.
- 7. **Documented Disability Statement:** Any student who requires special accommodations must obtain a letter that documents the disability from the Services for Students with Disabilities area of the Division of Diversity and Community Engagement (471- 6259 voice or 471- 4641 TTY for users who are deaf or hard of hearing). A student should present the letter to the professor at the beginning of the semester so that needed accommodations can be discussed and followed. The student should remind the professor of any testing accommodations no later than five business days before an exam. For more information, visit http://www.utexas.edu/diversity/ddce/ssd/.
- 8. **Religious Holidays:** UT Austin policy, students must notify the professor of a pending absence at least fourteen days prior to the date of observance of a religious holy day. If the student must miss a class, examination, work assignment, or project in order to observe a religious holy day, the professor will give the student an opportunity to complete the missed work within a reasonable time after the absence.
- 9. **Title IX Reporting**. In accordance with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the University of Texas at Austin is committed to maintaining a learning environment that is free from discriminatory conduct based on gender. Students who report incidents of sex discrimination, sexual harassment, sexual violence, or sexual misconduct to faculty, instructors, and/or staff who supervise students, will be provided a list of University resources. If the incident is impacting the academic environment, a report will be provided to the University's Title IX Coordinator. Further information, including student resources related to Title IX, may be found at https://www.utexas.edu/student-affairs/policies/title-ix.

- 10. **Classroom Confidentiality**. Information shared in class about agencies, clients, and personal matters is considered confidential per the NASW Code of Ethics on educational supervision and is protected by regulations of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) as well. As such, sharing this information with individuals outside of the educational context is not permitted. Violations of confidentiality could result in actions taken according to the policies and procedure for review of academic performance located in sections 3.0, 3.1, and 3.2 of the Standards for Social Work Education.
- 11. **Use of e-mail for Official correspondence to Students:** Email is recognized as an official mode of university correspondence; therefore, students are responsible for reading their email for university and course-related information and announcements. Students are responsible for keeping the university informed about a change of e-mail address. Students should check their e-mail regularly and frequently—daily, but at minimum twice a week—to stay current with university-related communications, some of which may be time-sensitive. Students can find UT Austin's policies and instructions for updating their e-mail address at http://www.utexas.edu/its/policies/emailnotify.php.
- 12. Safety: As part of professional social work education, students may have assignments that involve working in agency settings and/or the community. As such, these assignments may present some risks. Sound choices and caution may lower risks inherent to the profession. It is the student's responsibility to be aware of and adhere to policies and practices related to agency and/or community safety. Students should notify the professor regarding any safety concerns.
- 13. **Behavior Concerns Advice Line (BCAL):** If students are worried about someone who is acting differently, they may use the Behavior Concerns Advice Line to discuss by phone their concerns about another individual's behavior. This service is provided through a partnership between the Office of the Dean of Students, the Counseling and Mental Health Center (CMHC), the Employee Assistance Program (EAP), and The University of Texas Police Department (UTPD). Call 512-232-5050 or visit http://www.utexas.edu/safety/bcal.
- 14. **Emergency Evacuation Policy:** Occupants of buildings on the UT Austin campus are required to evacuate and assemble outside when a fire alarm is activated or an announcement is made. Please be aware of the following policies regarding evacuation:
 - Familiarize yourself with all exit doors in the classroom and the building. Remember that the nearest exit door may not be the one you used when entering the building.
 - If you require assistance to evacuate, inform the professor in writing during the first week of class.
 - In the event of an evacuation, follow the professor's instructions.
 - Do not re-enter a building unless you are given instructions by the Austin Fire Department, the UT Austin Police Department, or the Fire Prevention Services office.

IX. COURSE SCHEDULE - NOTE: Professor reserves the right to make modifications to any part of this course schedule – to balance student needs and course requirements.

Week and Topics

Aug 31 - Week 1

- I. Introductions, Class Expectations & Course Framework
- II. Review of Syllabus and Assignments
- III. Course Pre-Assessment (not graded)
- IV. Introduction to the Nonprofit Sector
 - a. Quick Facts About Nonprofits
 - b. Nonprofit Management
 - c. Nonprofit Sector
 - d. Nonprofit Organizations

V. Practices of High Impact Nonprofits

- a. Adaptation and Shared Leadership
- **b.** Advocate to Government
- c. Work with Business
- **d.** Collaborate with Nonprofits
- e. Engage Individuals/Community
- VI. Team Assignments and Agreements

READINGS: (Note readings fore Week 1 & 2 are the same)

- Worth, Chapter 1: Nonprofit Management as a Profession and a Field of Study
- Worth, Chapter 2: Overview of the Nonprofit Sector
- Worth, Chapter 3: Theories of the Nonprofit Sector and Nonprofit Organizations
- Crutchfield, Chapter 1: Forces for Good
- http://www.ssireview.org/articles/entry/creating high impact nonprofits/
- National Center for Charitable Statistics: http://nccs.urban.org/statistics/quickfacts.cfm

Sept. 14 - Week 2

I. The Future of Nonprofits and Emerging Issues

- a. Innovation, internal entrepreneurship, fundraising and social media communications
- II. Imagine the "our world" 50-100 years from now (foresight and planning)
- III. Requirements for Establishing a Non-profit
- IV. Conceptualizing a Nonprofit Class Activity
 - a. What is the mission of the organization?
 - b. What market do they serve? Who are their clients?
 - c. What is the strategy for carrying out this mission?
 - d. What is the budget? How is organization funded? Do the recipients of the services pay for them?
 - e. What does the management structure look like? What's the staffing?
- V. **Diverse Topic:** http://www.stayclassy.org/blog/top-10-ted-talks-for-nonprofit-leaders/

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- Worth, Chapter 1: Nonprofit Management as a Profession and a Field of Study
- Worth, Chapter 2: Overview of the Nonprofit Sector
- Worth, Chapter 3: Theories of the Nonprofit Sector and Nonprofit Organizations
- Crutchfield, Chapter 1: Forces for Good
- http://www.ssireview.org/articles/entry/creating high impact nonprofits/
- National Center for Charitable Statistics: http://nccs.urban.org/statistics/quickfacts.cfm

Sept 21 - Week 3 - Special Topic

I. Forces for Good - Practices of High Impact Non-profits

II. Conceptualizing a Nonprofit – Developing Budgets towards a Vision Class Activity

READINGS:

- Crutchfield, Chapter 1: Forces for Good
- Crutchfield, Chapters as assigned below to complete reflection Paper.

ASSIGNMENT DUE:

- Individual Reflection Paper Based on Forces for Good 10pts.
 - a. Members in Team A: Chapter 2 Advocate and Serve
 - b. Members in Team B: Chapter 3 Make Markets Work
 - c. Members in Team C: Chapter 5 Nurture Nonprofit Networks
 - d. Members in Team D: Chapter 6 Master the Art of Adaptation
 - e. Members in Team E: Chapter 7 Shared Leadership

Sept. 28 - Week 4

I. Governance and Board's Roles and Responsibilities

- a. Types of Boards
- b. Board Responsibilities
- c. Board Relationships (People, Power, and Politics)
- d. Board Effectiveness
- e. Challenges of Nonprofit Governance

II. Leadership

- a. Leadership Challenges
- b. Effective Leadership and the Nonprofit Executive
- c. Leading Change and Managing Strategic Change
- d. Preparing for the Next Generation of Leaders
- e. Leaders as Continuous Learners

III. Conceptualizing a Nonprofit - Recruiting Leaders and Champions - Board Members

READINGS:

- Worth, Chapter 4: Nonprofit Governing Boards
- Dees, Chapter 5: Managing Your Board Entrepreneurially
- Worth, Chapter 5: Executive Leadership
- Lecovich, Esther. (2004). "Responsibilities and Roles of Boards in Nonprofit Organizations." *Nonprofit Management and Leadership*, 15(1), 5-24.
- Brown, William A. (2007). "Board Development Practices and Competent Board Members. Implications for Performance." *Nonprofit Management & Leadership*, 17(3), 301-317.

ASSIGNMENT DUE:

• Team's High Impact Nonprofit Overview and Analysis - 20 pts.

Oct. 5 - Week 5

I. Strategic Management Model/Process: Environmental Scanning, Strategy Development, Strategy Implementation, and Evaluation & Control

- a. Strategic Management Process
- b. Innovation

II. Strategic Planning

- a. Strategic Planning Process and Goals
- b. Vision
- c. Mission
- d. Role of Ethics in Strategic Planning

III. Environmental Scanning: Internal and External Assessment (SWOTT)

- a. External Environment: Operating, Industry, and Remote environment.
- b. Internal Environment.

READINGS:

- Worth, Chapter 7: Strategic Planning and Strategic Management
- Neff & Moss Chapter 1: Innovate or Die
- Neff & Moss Chapter 2: What is Innovation
- Neff & Moss Chapter 3: Innovation as Your Strategy for Success
- Neff & Moss Chapter 4: What is Driving Innovation? Technology, Society, and Innovation

ASSIGNMENT DUE:

• Nonprofit Proposal - Part I: 2- Page Proposal of Nonprofit (8pts)

Oct. 12 - Week 6

I. Strategy

- a. Organizational Strategy (Growth, Stability, Retrenchment)
- b. Business Strategy (Finding a Nitch, Competitive, Cooperative)
- c. Functional Strategy (HR, IT, Finance, Marketing, etc)

II. Developing a Strategic Service Vision

- a. Service Vision
- b. Value
- c. Constituents
- d. Implications for Social Entrepreneurs

III. Entrepreneurial Competitive Strategy

- a. External Environment
- b. Strengths and Weaknesses
- c. Competitive Strategy

IV. Cooperative Strategy

- a. Cooperative Strategy
- b. Partnerships

READINGS:

- Dees, Chapter 1: Developing a Strategic Service Vision
- Dees, Chapter 2: Developing an Entrepreneurial Competitive Strategy
- Dees, Chapter 3: Cooperative Strategy: Building Networks, Partnerships, and Alliances

ASSIGNMENT DUE:

- Readings Presentations:
 - o Team A Dees, Ch. 2: Developing an Entrepreneurial Competitive Strategy 10 pts.
 - o Team B Dees, Ch. 3: Cooperative Strategy: Building Networks, Partnerships and Alliances 10 pts.

Oct. 19 - Week 7

I. Strategy Formulation: Developing Long-Range Plans

- a. Mission
- b. Goals & Objectives
- c. Program Development
- d. Policies

II. Organizational Design and Structure

- a. Work Specialization
- b. Departmentalization
- c. Chain of Command
- d. Span of Control
- e. Centralization and Decentralization
- f. Contemporary Organizational Designs

III. Human Resources

- **a.** Staffing: The Right People, the Right Skills, the Right Roles
- **b.** Personnel Policies and Procedures
- c. Fair Labor Standards Act; Family and Medical Leave Act
- d. Volunteer Services

IV. Feedback from peers (All teams will present a 5 minute overview of their proposal)

READINGS:

- Neff & Moss Chapter 6: Structure: Into the Belly of the Beast
- Neff & Moss Chapter 7: Staffing
- Dees, Chapter 4: Leading, Retaining, and Rewarding People Entrepreneurially
- Worth, Chapter 9: Managing Paid Staff and Volunteers

ASSIGNMENT DUE:

- Readings Presentations:
 - o Team C Dees, Ch. 4: Leading, Retaining, and Rewarding People Entrepreneurially 10 pts.
 - o Team D Dees, Ch. 9: Managing Paid Staff and Volunteers 10 pts.

Oct. 26 - Week 8 (Special Topic Week)

- I. Developing a "Development Plan"
- II. Obtaining Resources
 - a. Friendmaking
 - b. Philanthropic Fund-Raising
 - c. Earned Income Strategies
 - d. Government Support
 - e. Other Development/Finding Strategies
- III. The Future of Fundraising: New Money from New Donors in New Ways
- IV. Feedback from Community Leaders (All teams will present a 10 minute overview of their proposal)

READINGS:

- Dees, Chapter 6: Treating Your Donors as Investors
- Worth, Chapter 11: Philanthropic Fund-Raising
- Worth, Chapter 12: Earned Income Strategies
- Worth, Chapter 13: Government Support
- Case, Chapter 9: The Future of Fundraising

ASSIGNMENT DUE:

• Nonprofit Proposal - Part II: Industry Analysis and Environmental Scan (8pts)

Part III: Strategy and Structure (8pts)

Nov. 2 - Week 9

I. Financial Management

- a. Financial Management for Non Financial Managers
- b. Overview of Nonprofit Finances
- c. Nonprofit Financial Statements
- d. Developing and Managing Budget
- e. Financial Reporting
- f. Risk Management, Financial Policies, and Controls

II. Strategy Implementation

READINGS:

• Worth, Ch. 14: Financial Management

ASSIGNMENT DUE:

- Readings Presentations:
 - o Team E Worth, Ch. 14: Financial Management 10 pts.

Nov. 9 - Week 10

I. Strategy Implementation - Continued

- a. Putting Strategy Into Action
- b. Components of Strategy Implementation
- c. Implementing Strategy (3 Key Leadership Tasks)
- d. Managing Organizational Change

II. Managing Innovation

READINGS:

- Dees, Chapter 11: Managing Organizational Change
- Neff & Moss Chapter 8: Starting Your Innovation Projects: Managing Innovation at Your Organization

ASSIGNMENT DUE:

• Nonprofit Proposal - Part IV: Implementation Plan (8pts)

Nov. 16 - Week 11

- I. Evaluation and Control
 - a. Tools for Measuring Organizational Performance
 - b. The Control Process
 - c. Risk management
 - d. Power of Technology
 - e. Stakeholder Engagement
- II. Nonprofit Proposal Comprehensive Plan Presentations* (Group A & B Presents)

READINGS:

- Worth, Chapter 6: Ensuring Accountability and Measuring Performance
- Dees, Chapter 8: Performance Information That Really Works

ASSIGNMENT DUE:

- Nonprofit Proposal Part V: Key Success Factors (8pts)
- Presentation Part VI: Comprehensive Plan Presentation (10pts) (A Binder will be submitted to with final Nonprofit Proposal Parts I-VI)

*Presentation Dates will be finalized during the first day of class.

Nov. 23 - Week 12

I. Nonprofit Proposal - Comprehensive Plan Presentations (Groups C & D Present)

Nov. 30 - Week 13

I. Nonprofit Proposal - Comprehensive Plan Presentations (Groups E & F Present)

Dec. 7-8 & 13- Week 14

Study Week

Dec. 15 - Week 15

I. Final Exam - NO FINAL EXAM FOR THIS COURSE