

## **MGMT986**

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#### Instructor Contact Details

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#### Teaching Times, Modes and Locations

Course Duration: 23 Dec 2024 to 10 Jan 2025 Modes: Online/Face-to-face Location: Anywhere via online, or Huajiachi Campus, Zhejiang University via face-toface

Academic Level

Postgraduate

Credit Points:

The course is worth 6 units of credit point.

#### Credit Hours

The number of credit hours of this course equals to the credits of a standard semester- long course.

#### Contact Hours

The course contains a total of 53 contact hours, which consists of orientation, lectures, seminars, quiz, discussion, research, case study, small tests, assignments, on-site field trip(s), in-class and after-class activities, revision, self-study, and final exam. Students will receive an official transcript which is issued by Zhejiang University when completing this course.

#### Enrolment Requirements

Eligibility requires enrollment in an overseas university as an undergraduate or postgraduate student, proficiency in English, and pre-approval from the student's home institution.

#### Course Description:

This course aims to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of sustainability and how it contributes to value creation, particularly through project management. This unit presents a new approach to the issue of project management, showing how it can be approached through the lens of sustainability. The nature of sustainable project management is not only to achieve economic goals, but also environmental and social ones. Considering project management from the perspective of sustainability is very important because sustainable development cannot keep up with the pace and scale of accumulation of ecological and social problems.

#### Prerequisite:

N/A

#### Learning Resources

 Joel Carboni, William Duncan, Sustainable Project Management: The GPM Reference Guide, 2nd edition, GPM Global, 2018

#### Learning Objectives

By the end of this course, you should be able to:

Analyze various standards and frameworks available to implement sustainability.

• Evaluate the systemic impact of decisions and actions on society, the environment and the process and product of an endeavor.

• Understand different aspects of sustainability and recommend ways in which projects can contribute to the achievement of Sustainable Development Goals.

#### Course Delivery:

- Online Lecture mode includes lectures, seminars, quiz, discussion, research, case study, small tests, assignments, online field trip(s), in-class activities, revision and final exam.
- Face-to-face Lecture mode includes lectures, seminars, quiz, discussion, research, case study, small tests, assignments, on-site field trip(s), in-class and after-class activities, revision, and final exam.

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The following course will be taught in English. There will also be guest speakers and optional field trips available for students who would like to enhance their learning experience. All courses and other sessions will be run during weekdays.

| WK | Торіс  | Activities        |
|----|--|-------------------|
| 1  | Introduction   | Lecture; Tutorial |
| 1  | The Evolution of Sustainability Models                           | Lecture; Tutorial |
| 1  | Sustainable Projects   | Lecture; Tutorial |
| 1  | Sustainable Projects Management                                  | Lecture; Tutorial |
| 1  | The GPM P5™ Standard for Sustainability in Project<br>Management | Lecture; Tutorial |
| 2  | Ensuring an Ethical Supply Chain                                 | Lecture; Tutorial |
| 2  | Ethics and Sustainability  | Lecture; Tutorial |
| 2  | Governance of Project Management Roles                           | Lecture; Tutorial |
| 2  | In-class Test  | Closed book       |
| 2  | Organizational Change Management                                 | Lecture; Tutorial |
| 2  | Value Management   | Lecture; Tutorial |
| 3  | International Organization for Standardization (ISO)             | Lecture; Tutorial |
| 3  | Environmental Management Systems                                 | Lecture; Tutorial |
| 3  | Social Responsibility  | Lecture; Tutorial |
| 3  | Standards for Governance of Project Management                   | Lecture; Tutorial |
| 3  | Revision   | Tutorial          |
| 3  | Final exam   | Closed book       |

#### Topics and Course Schedule:

#### Assessments:

| Class participation | 15% |
|---------------------|-----|
| In-class Test       | 15% |
| Assignments         | 20% |
| Final exam          | 50% |

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#### Grade Descriptors:

| HD | High Distinction | 85-100 |
|----|------------------|--------|
| D  | Distinction      | 75-84  |
| Cr | Credit           | 65-74  |
| Р  | Pass             | 50-64  |
| F  | Fail             | 0-49   |

#### High Distinction 85-100

- Treatment of material evidences an advanced synthesis of ideas Demonstration of initiative, complex understanding, and analysis.
- Work is well-written and stylistically sophisticated, including appropriate
- referencing, clarity, and some creativity where appropriate.
- All criteria addressed to a high level.

#### **Distinction 75-84**

- Treatment of material evidences an advanced understanding of ideas Demonstration of initiative, complex understanding and analysis Work is well-written and stylistically strong.
- All criteria addressed strongly.

#### Credit 65-74

- Treatment of material displays a good understanding of ideas
- Work is well-written and stylistically sound, with a minimum of syntactical errors.
- All criteria addressed clearly.

#### Pass 50-64

- Treatment of material indicates a satisfactory understanding of ideas Work is adequately written, with some syntactical errors.
- Most criteria addressed adequately.

#### Fail 0-49

• Treatment of ideas indicates an inadequate understanding of ideas Written style inappropriate to task, major problems with expression.

• Most criteria not clearly or adequately addressed.

#### Academic Integrity

Students are expected to uphold the university's academic honesty principles which are an integral part of the university's core values and principles. If a student fails to observe the acceptable standards of academic honesty, they could attract penalties and even disqualification from the course in more serious circumstances. Students are responsible for knowing and observing accepted principles of research, writing and any other task which they are required to complete. Academic dishonesty or cheating includes acts of plagiarism, misrepresentation, fabrication, failure to reference materials used properly and forgery. These may include, but are not limited to: claiming the work of others as your own, deliberately applying false and inaccurate information, copying the work of others in part or whole, allowing others in the course to copy your work in part or whole, failing to appropriately acknowledge the work of other scholars/authors through acceptable referencing standards, purchasing papers or writing papers for other students and submitting the same paper twice for the same subject.

This Academic Integrity policy applies to all students of the Zhejiang University in all programs of study, including non-graduating students. It is to reinforce the University's commitment to maintain integrity and honesty in all academic activities of the University community.

#### <u>Policy</u>

The foundation of good academic work is honesty. Maintaining academic integrity upholds the standards of the University. The responsibility for maintaining integrity in all the activities of the academic community lies with the students as well as the faculty and the University. Everyone in this community must work together to ensure that the values of truth, trust and justice are upheld.

Academic dishonesty affects the University's reputation and devalues the degrees offered. The University will impose serious penalties on students who are found to have violated this policy. The following penalties may be imposed:

- ✓ Expulsion
- ✓ Suspension
- ✓ Zero mark /fail grade
- ✓ Marking down
- ✓ Re-doing/re-submitting of assignments or reports, and
- ✓ Verbal or written warning.