

## Course Descriptor MNGT560 - KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT

Proposed Academic Year	2021-2022	Last Reviewed Academic Year	2020-2021
Course Code	MNGT560	Course Title	Knowledge Management
Credit hours	3	Level of study	Postgraduate
College / Centre	College of Business Administration	Department	MNGT-MBA
Co-requisites	None	Pre-requisites	None

### 1. COURSE OUTLINE

This course introduces students to the current theories, practices, tools and techniques in knowledge management (KM). It also informs students on the critical issues and debates in knowledge management. In addition, students will learn to determine the infrastructure requirements to manage the intellectual capital in organizations by covering the "hard" technical components of computer tools and technology for managing knowledge, and the "soft" management needs and challenges in leveraging knowledge effectively within an organization. The course stresses the human and business aspects of knowledge management.

#### 2. AIMS

The course provides students with the required know-how on the:

- fundamentals of managing knowledge and intellectual capital, its measurement issues, processes and cycles involved in smart management;
- strategic issues of creating value from flows in intangible assets and structures to support knowledge and intellectual capital development;
- its specific application issues and current developments in the field.

3.	3. LEARNING OUTCOMES, TEACHING, LEARNING and ASSESSMENT METHODS			
( <b>D</b> ) Up	arning Outcomes efinitive) on successful completion of s course, students will be le to:	Teaching and Learning methods (Indicative)	Assessment (Indicative)	
1.	Critically understand the fundamental concepts in the study of knowledge and its creation, acquisition, representation, dissemination, use and reuse, and management.	Lectures and seminars, Group work, Presentations	Class Presentation, Written Examination, Case Study, Assignments	
2.	Be able to critically evaluate the role and use of knowledge in organizations and institutions, and the typical obstacles that KM aims to overcome.	Lectures and seminars, Group work, Presentations	Class Presentation, Written Examination Case Study, Assignments	
3.	Develop a self-driven	Lectures and seminars,	Class Presentation,	



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mentality for further study in knowledge generation, engineering, and transfer, and in the representation, organization, and exchange of knowledge.	Group work, Presentations	Written Examination,  Case Study, Assignments
4. Critically analyze current trends in knowledge management and their manifestation in business and industry.	Lectures and seminars, Group work, Presentations	Class Presentation, Written Examination, Case Study, Assignments

### 4. ASSESSMENT WEIGHTING

Assessment	Percentage of final mark (%)
Midterm Examination	20
Case/Assignment	45
Final Exam	35
TOTAL	100%

### 5. ACHIEVING A PASS

Students will achieve  $\underline{03}$  credit hours for this course by passing  $\underline{ALL}$  of the course assessments and achieving a **minimum overall score of 50**%

6. C	OURSE CONTENT (Indicative)	
WEEK	LECTURE TOPIC	TIME (HOURS)
1	Introduction: History, Concepts, Definitions and the Antecedents of KM	3
I	Three stages of KM	
2	KM: Birth of a discipline	3
3	KM in action	3
4	Critical success factors	3
5	Knowledge transfer	3
	Mid Term Exam	
6	Knowledge management	3
7	Why knowledge	3
8	Data infrastructure	3
9	The Semantic Web ,	3
10	Case Studies	3
10	Case/Assignment	



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11	Developing knowledge-I & II	3
11		
12	KM & text mining-I	3
12		
13	KM & text mining-II	3
14	A win-win situation	3
15	Revision	3
13		
16	Final Exam	
	TOTAL HOURS	45
1 - 16	Plus RECOMMENDED INDEPENDENT STUDY HOURS	45
	TOTAL COURSE HOURS	90

### 7. RECOMMENDED READING

### Core text/s:

Geisler, E. and Wickramasinghe, N. (2015). Principles of knowledge management: Theory, practice, and cases. Routledge.

### **Secondary/Additional Tests:**

Becerra-Fernandez, I. and Sabherwal, R. (2014). Knowledge management: Systems and processes. Routledge.

Becerra-Fernandez, I., & Sabherwal, R. (2015). Knowledge management. Routledge.

### **Library + online resources:**

**ASU** library

ASU online resources (ProQuest and ebrary)

Sultan Qaboos University Library (by agreement)