Entrepreneurship- Fall 2023 MK2327- OL81- (20723) Mr. John DelloRusso, MBA Instructor

Online at Zoom session # 81741424351 Monday and Wednesday 6:00PM

Required Textbook- Entrepreneurship: Starting and Operating a Small Business by Steve Mariotti, Fifth Edition

Supplemental Materials: www.wallstreetjournal.com

www.businessweek.com www.nvtimes.com

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Course Overview- This course will provide students with an analysis of what an entrepreneur must accomplish in today's competitive business environment in order to achieve financial and personal success. The course is designed to use practical case studies to achieve this goal.

Course Objectives- Upon successfully completing this course, students will understand how entrepreneurs can use market conditions to their advantage to achieve profit in a free market economy. Upon completion of this students should be confident in using marketing and computational techniques to analyze realistic business trends and opportunities and be enabled to take advantage of market conditions.

Course Expectations, Preparation and Participation- Each student will be expected to complete the assigned readings and exercises. Also, students should attend every class and actively participate in classroom discussions.

Attendance Policy- The college catalog states students must not be absent "no more than 10% of class time." This amounts to two absences. There are no excused absences. During Covid period students are expected to attend the Zoom class or listen to the Zoom class recording. Failure to complete homework assignments, excessive tardiness or lack of class participation will result in subtraction of points from student's final grade. There are no make-up exams.

Class rules

- 1. Students are expected to conduct themselves in a responsible and professional manner.
- 2. Food, I-Pods or cell phones are not permitted in class.

- 3. No interruptions during Zoom classes
- 4. All classes will be recorded and available to students for seven days.
- 4. Students are expected to do their own work. There are no make-up exams.
- 5. Please feel free to ask questions during Zoom class.

Academic Integrity

Plagiarism or cheating will result in a failing grade. Please refer to the Student Handbook for definitions of these academic violations.

Grading: Final Term Grades will be based on the following criteria:

1.	Mid Term Exam	25%
2.	Class examinations- (two)	25%
3.	Business Plan	25%
4.	Final Exam	25%

Note: There are no make-up assignments to replace a missed quiz or exam.

Class Schedule

Week	Subject	Text
1.	Entrepreneurs Recognize Opportunities	Chapter 1
2.	Creating Business Opportunities	Chapter 2
3.	What is Marketing?	Chapter 3
4.	Developing the Right Market Mix	Chapter 4
5.	Smart Selling and Effective Customer Service	Chapter 5
6.	Tracking Fixed and Variable Costs	Chapter 6
7.	Using an Income Statement to Guide a Business	Chapter 7
8.	Review and Mid-Term	
9.	Financing Strategy: Debt or Equity? Chapter 8	
10.	Cash Flow: The Lifeblood of a Business	Chapter 9
11.	Writing a Business Plan	Appendix 1 &2

1	15.	Review and Final Exam	
1	14.	Investing For a Secure Future	Chapter 12
1	13.	Effective Leadership: Managing Resources and Employees	Chapter 11
1	2.	Choosing Legal Structures and Distribution Channels	Chapter 10