

# Kajaani University of Applied Sciences

# **Bachelor's Degree in International Business**, 2015

Structure of Studies

Basic Studies (60 cr)

Basic studies are compulsory studies that must be completed during the first year of study. These courses include basic courses in business activities, operational environments, methodological studies, and communication studies.

Professional Studies (90 cr)

These courses are carried out from the second year onwards and they include special study modules covering different areas of international business activities. The aim of professional studies is to equip students with both the theoretical and practical knowledge needed to function in international business and marketing arenas. The studies emphasise the framework and strategies of international business, international marketing, economics, finance, international management and communication skills.

The professional studies also include 50 credits of Specialisation Studies. The aim of the module is to deepen and widen the knowledge related to the professional studies. Studies completed during the student exchange should ideally fit into this module.

Free-choice Studies (15 cr)

The studies include a minimum of 15 credits of free-choice studies. The aim of the free-choice studies is to provide the student with the opportunity to deepen and widen knowledge related to one's own professional field. These can be chosen from the degree programme or from another degree programme in the same UAS or from another UAS, university or elsewhere by prior agreement.

Practical Training (30 cr)

An essential part of the studies is a five-month-long practical training period, which takes place during the spring semester of the 3rd study year. It is recommended that practical training is accomplished in a foreign country, but it can also be done locally. Before starting practical training the student must have a minimum of 150 credits and the practical training place must be approved by the Practical Training Coordinator. The purpose of practical training is to offer students the opportunity to put into practice the knowledge acquired from their professional studies by carrying out practical expert tasks in companies. Thesis (15 cr)

The purpose of the thesis is to demonstrate the student's ability to adapt knowledge and skills acquired during professional studies. This can be accomplished in the form of project work, research work or applied research. Preparation of the thesis is accomplished towards the end of the student's studies; a minimum of 150 credits must be accomplished before starting work on the thesis. It can also be multi-disciplinary. The thesis also includes a maturity test which demonstrates the student's language skills and how familiar he or she is with the chosen subject of the thesis. Finnish students



write the test in Finnish and foreign students in English. The test is taken under supervision with titles provided by the thesis supervisor.

## Foreign Studies

For Finnish students it is recommended that the 2nd year autumn semester is spent in a foreign university or university of applied sciences. Foreign students may choose not to go abroad. To apply for foreign studies the student must have achieved a minimum of 45 credits per academic year. In addition it is required that the students have good language skills (good skills in English and at least basics in the target country's language if possible) and good grades. Students who do not have any international experience will be given first priority when decisions concerning exchange places are made.

Exchange opportunities will be presented in information meetings. More information can also be found from KAMK internet pages (www.kamk.fi). Kajaani UAS's partner institutions in different countries offer studies in English or in other languages. Each student makes a personal study plan with the school's international co-ordinator for the period of foreign studies. Studies completed abroad are approved as part of the degree programme within either specialization studies or free-choice studies.

## Language Studies

The Degree Programme in International Business includes 23 credits of compulsory language study. English is the language of teaching in the degree programme. However, all students must also acquire a minimum of 8 credits in English language studies. Foreign students must also accomplish 15 credits of Finnish language within their compulsory language studies. Finnish students study both Finnish and Swedish as compulsory languages. Language studies are therefore structured as follows in the Degree Programme in International Business:

Finnish Students English 8 cr Finnish 10 cr Swedish 5 cr

Foreign Students English 8 cr Finnish 15 cr

In addition to compulsory language courses, students can choose other foreign languages. The language studies offered are French, Spanish, Italian, Russian, Chinese and German. It is recommended that foreign students concentrate on studying the Finnish language during the first study year and do not start another new language during their first year.

| Code       | Name                        | Credits |
|------------|-----------------------------|---------|
| LBI15Z1000 | ) BASIC BUSINESS COMPETENCE | 15      |
| KBBA020    | Business Operations         | 5       |
| KBBA021    | Introduction to Marketing   | 5       |
| KBBA022    | Management Accounting       | 5       |
| LBI15Z1007 | I OPERATIONAL ENVIRONMENT   | 10      |

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|            | IVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES                            | -  |
|------------|---|----|
|            | Law Studies   | 5  |
|            |   | 5  |
|            | METHODOLOGICAL STUDIES                                  | 10 |
|            | IT and Office Applications                              | 5  |
| KBBM012    | Business Mathematics                                    | 5  |
|            | COMMUNICATION STUDIES                                   | 25 |
| KBBC014    | Personal Development Programme                          | 2  |
|            | Academic and Business English                           | 5  |
|            | Business Communication Skills                           | 3  |
| KBBC011    | Swedish   | 5  |
|            | Business Finnish  | 5  |
|            | Academic Finnish  | 5  |
|            | Finnish for Foreigners 1                                | 5  |
| KBBC016    | Finnish for Foreigners 2                                | 5  |
| KBBC017    | Finnish for Foreigners 3                                | 5  |
| LBI15Z1004 | MANAGING INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS                       | 20 |
| KBPI024    | Introduction to Management                              | 5  |
| KBPI021    | International Management                                | 5  |
| KBPI022    | Financial Accounting                                    | 5  |
| KBPI023    | Strategic Management                                    | 5  |
| LBI15Z1005 | WORK COMMUNITY COMPETENCE                               | 10 |
| KBPW001    | Leadership and Human Resource Management                | 5  |
| KBPW002    | Intercultural Communication                             | 5  |
| LBI15Z1006 | METHODOLOGICAL COMPETENCE                               | 10 |
| KBPM010    | Project Management                                      | 5  |
| KBPM011    | Research Methods  | 5  |
| LBI15Z1007 | ADVANCED MARKETING STUDIES                              | 30 |
| KBPA001    | Integrated Marketing Communication                      | 5  |
| KBPA002    | Services Marketing                                      | 5  |
| KBPA003    | International Networking and Collaboration              | 5  |
| KBPA004    | Product, Brand and Price Management                     | 5  |
| KBPA005    | Selling and Sales Management                            | 5  |
| KBPA006    | Advanced Project in Integrated Marketing Communications | 5  |
| KBPA007    | Advanced Project in Services Marketing                  | 5  |
| LBI15Z1008 | BUSINESS COMPETENCE DEVELOPMENT                         | 20 |
| KBPB001    | Quality and Risk Management                             | 5  |
| KBPB002    | International Marketing                                 | 5  |
| KBPB003    | Marketing Research                                      | 5  |
| KBPB004    | Strategic Marketing Management                          | 5  |
| LBI15Z1009 | FREE CHOICE STUDIES                                     | 15 |
| KBW317     | Consumer Buyer Behaviour                                | 5  |
| KBW318     | Asian Business  | 5  |
|            |   |    |



| KBPF002    | Russian Business                        | 5  |
|------------|---|----|
| KBW320     | European Business                       | 5  |
| KBW322     | Product Development                     | 5  |
| KBW028     | New Trends in Leadership and Management | 5  |
| KBW029     | Management Procedures and Strategies    | 5  |
| KBW030     | Organizational Psychology               | 3  |
| KBW012     | Risk Management                         | 3  |
| KBW016     | Business Plan                           | 3  |
| KBW358     | Commercialisation                       | 5  |
| KBW380     | Export and Import Routines              | 3  |
| LBI15Z1010 | PRACTICAL TRAINING                      | 30 |
| KBH001     | Practical Training                      | 30 |
| LBI15Z1011 | THESIS                                  | 15 |
| KBT001     | Thesis                                  | 15 |

# LBI15Z1000 BASIC BUSINESS COMPETENCE: 15 op

# KBBA020 Business Operations: 5 op

## Learning outcomes

Students will have a holistic view of business. They will understand, in general, all aspects of business, and connections between business functions.

## Contents

Business concepts, Business environment, Interest groups, Legal forms of ownership, Management, Overview of business functions (operations, human resources, marketing, finance, accounting), Money and Financial markets.

## Prerequisites

The course assumes no prior knowledge of business.

#### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

The students demonstrate an ability to use professional terminology in a controlled manner and base their decisions on customer needs and using an extended knowledge base. They demonstrate the ability to assess the requirements and consequences of their own activities systematically. The students demonstrate the ability to create a good working atmosphere in their group.

## Good (3-4)

Very good:

Students can demonstrate their ability to perceive the links between central and appropriate professional concepts and can base decision-making using the field's knowledge base. They are able to distinguish between the requirements and consequences of their operations and participate in the group's activities in a goal-oriented manner.

Good:

Students can demonstrate their ability to perceive the links between central and appropriate

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professional concepts and can base decision-making using the field's knowledge base. They are able to distinguish between the requirements and consequences of their operations and participate in the group's activities.

### Satisfactory (1-2)

The students will demonstrate their ability to use central and appropriate professional concepts and to make choices founded on knowledge in their field. They can recognize the requirements and consequences of their own operations and participate in the activities of the group.

# KBBA021 Introduction to Marketing: 5 op

### Learning outcomes

Provide students with a fundamental understanding of marketing, its role in

business and the strategies available to achieve its objectives. It examines the origins of marketing and its development into a business philosophy in an international context. The module is essential for further marketing studies.

### Contents

Marketing environment, Marketing/Corporate strategy,

Consumers behavior,

Segmentation, targeting and positioning, Market research, Marketing mix strategies, Services marketing, Customer relationship marketing.

### Prerequisites

Introduction to Business Operations

### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

Student uses the right basic concept in a versatile and broad manner as well as provides excellent description of key elements of the key concepts taught in the course. Student demonstrates clearly the ability to apply concepts in practice independently, confidently and pro-actively.

### Good (3-4)

The student uses the right basic concept consistently and provides the terminology and key elements in the concepts taught. The student has an ability to justify and reason the choice and application of specific concepts.

### Satisfactory (1-2)

Student demonstrates basic understanding of concepts introduced in the course and ability to apply and implement the concepts learned in the course.

### Pass/Fail

Tests, Groupwork, Article Assignments

# KBBA022 Management Accounting: 5 op

### Learning outcomes

The students will know the meaning of profitability and learn how to make calculations required by managers for planning, decision-making and control.



### Contents

General terms and aims in management accounting Economic balance: profitability, liquidity and solidity Cost-volume-profit analysis Long-term calculations, investments Budgeting Cost accounting Activity based costing Balanced scorecard

#### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

Student can interpret and make use of management accounting theory. Student can independently compile demanding profitability planning and control related calculations. Student can develop their group and team and create a good working atmosphere.

### Good (3-4)

Student can interpret management accounting theory. Student can compile demanding profitability planning and control related calculations. Student participates in the work of their groups or teams to attain common goals.

### Satisfactory (1-2)

Student is aware of management accounting theory.

Student Can compile demanding profitability planning and control related calculations under supervision.

Student participates in group (classroom) activities.

# LBI15Z1001 OPERATIONAL ENVIRONMENT: 10 op

### Learning outcomes

The student is able to explain the key economic phenomenas and cause-effect relationships. Student knows main principles of contract law and the general legislation affecting to business.

## KBBO006 Law Studies: 5 op

### Learning outcomes

The course will provide students with a general knowledge of the legal framework of business operations with special focus on contract and trade laws. Apart from dealing with current legal rules and regulations affecting business operations students will be exposed to new developments and trends of legal environments of business.

## Contents

Legal systems Contract law International trade contracts Business law Labour Law

## Prerequisites

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### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

The students demonstrate an ability to use professional terminology in a controlled manner and base their decisions on customer needs and using an extended knowledge base. They demonstrate the ability to assess the requirements and consequences of their own activities systematically. The students demonstrate the ability to create a good working atmosphere in their group.

### Good (3-4)

Students can demonstrate their ability to perceive the links between central and appropriate professional concepts and can base decision-making using the field's knowledge base. They are able to distinguish between the requirements and consequences of their operations and participate in the group's activities.

### Satisfactory (1-2)

## Satisfactory (2-1):

The students will demonstrate their ability to use central and appropriate professional concepts and to make choices founded on knowledge in their field. They can recognize the requirements and consequences of their own operations and participate in the activities of the group.

# KBBO007 Economics: 5 op

### Learning outcomes

The objective of this course is to lay down the foundations of economic rational thinking, and to help students understand micro and macroeconomic phenomena. The course introduces the basic principles of microeconomics, which include the nature and method of economics, market interaction, consumer choice, output, market structures, and resource allocation. In macroeconomics, the objective is to increase students' knowledge and broaden their economic view to the national level, by understanding the relationships between several macroeconomic phenomena and the macroeconomic analytical tools to interpret these relationships and predict economic consequences of fiscal and monetary policies also at the international level.

### Contents

Basic principles and assumptions. Factors of production and Economic growth Consumer choice Market interaction (supply and demand model) Firm's output decision, and the market structure. Government, Tax, and welfare economics Factor market National accounts Determination of national outputs Money Economic policies International economics

### **Prerequisites** Business Operations

# Assessment criteria



The students demonstrate an ability to use professional terminology in a controlled manner and base their decisions on customer needs and using an extended knowledge base. They demonstrate the ability to assess the requirements and consequences of their own activities systematically. The students demonstrate the ability to create a good working atmosphere in their group.

### Good (3-4)

Students can demonstrate their ability to perceive the links between central and appropriate professional concepts and can base decision-making using the field's knowledge base. They are able to distinguish between the requirements and consequences of their operations and participate in the group's activities.

### Satisfactory (1-2)

The students will demonstrate their ability to use central and appropriate professional concepts and to make choices founded on knowledge in their field. They can recognize the requirements and consequences of their own operations and participate in the activities of the group.

# LBI15Z1002 METHODOLOGICAL STUDIES: 10 op

### Learning outcomes

A students knows how to use basic IT-applications needed later on during studies and work. Student also gets familiar with calculating principles of bussiness math and specially differend cases of interest calculations.

# KBBM011 IT and Office Applications: 5 op

### Learning outcomes

Students will become familiar with the essential functions of a word processing program and be able to make the layouts and contents of various business letters. They will understand the elementary functions of a microcomputer and will be able to use basic toolkit programs.

### Contents

Basic functions of word processor software (MS Word) Basic business letters Special characteristics of Word Introduction to data processing Hardware and operating system Toolkit software and presentation graphics (MS Power Point) Internet and websites Spreadsheets: Sheets, formulas, functions and graphics Computing today Data Security Office 365 Information searching & retrieval

### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)



Students can solve demanding business problems using office applications, 90–100% of maximum points in exam.

## Good (3-4)

Students can use computers and toolkit programs in many different ways for communication, presentation and calculation work, approximately 66-90 % of maximum points in exam.

## Satisfactory (1-2)

Students can use computers for basic tasks, approximately 50-65 % of maximum points in exam.

## KBBM012 Business Mathematics: 5 op

### Learning outcomes

To provide students with a sound command of business mathematics skills and the ability to apply them in different areas of business life

### Contents

Review of the basic mathematical operations needed in business mathematics Percentage calculations Index numbers Simple interest calculation and its applications Compound interest calculations and its applications Credit and loans Investments

### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

Approximately 90-100 % of maximum points in exam.

### Good (3-4)

Approximately 66-90 % of maximum points in exam Students know how to apply calculation principles to basic cases.

### Satisfactory (1-2)

Approximately 50-65 % of maximum points in exam; Students know how to calculate basic calculations.

### Pass/Fail

(May change according to teacher preference)

# LBI15Z1003 COMMUNICATION STUDIES: 25 op

## Learning outcomes

The students improve their oral and written communication skills in English and Finnish. The focus is on academic and business communication. The Finnish speaking students enhance also their Swedish language skills. One important theme is study skills and individual development.



# KBBC014 Personal Development Programme: 2 op

### Learning outcomes

The aim of this program is to provide students with the tools that will ensure a successful start to their studies leading to success in future careers by enabling students to identify their personal learning characteristics, whilst at the same time introducing specific study skills. The program aims to facilitate individual student development.

### Contents

Initial assessment(Boot Camp) Personal SWOT Learning styles Personal Branding

### **Prerequisites**

Not required

Assessment criteria Pass/Fail

Pass/Fail Active participation

## KBBC012 Academic and Business English: 5 op

### Learning outcomes

Students will improve their oral and written communication skills and business vocabulary. In written communication the focus will be on academic writing.

### Contents

Business and society Describing business trends Application, CV Introduction to presentations Report writing Academic style Summarising Paraphrasing References and quotations

### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

The student can introduce the features of academic writing reflectively. The student can write an academic report that follows the features of academic writing with fluency using varied and appropriate vocabulary, and multiple sources that are cited and referenced correctly. The student has an extensive business vocabulary. The student is able to communicate fluently in both writing and speaking.

### Good (3-4)

The student can identify the features of academic writing. The student can write a report that follows the main features of academic writing with relative fluency, using quite versatile vocabulary and using some sources that are mainly cited and referenced correctly. The student has a fairly good



command of business vocabulary. The student is able to communicate clearly in both writing and speaking.

## Satisfactory (1-2)

The student can name the features of academic writing. The student can write a basically understandable and coherent essay with appropriate content and basic vocabulary. The student is able to communicate clearly in basic business situations in both speaking and writing.

# **KBBC013 Business Communication Skills: 3 op**

## Learning outcomes

The student will acquire skills in the basics of business writing including the purchasing process.

## Contents

Inquiries, quotations Orders and order confirmations Collection letters Complaints Memos

#### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

The student can write business letters with fluency by using varied and appropriate vocabulary. The student has an extensive business vocabulary.

The student is able to communicate fluently in both writing and speaking.

## Good (3-4)

The student can write business letters with relative fluency by using quite versatile vocabulary. The student has a fairly good command of business vocabulary.

The student is able to communicate clearly in both writing and speaking.

### Satisfactory (1-2)

The student can write a basically understandable and coherent business letters with appropriate. content and basic vocabulary.

The student is able to communicate clearly in basic business situations in both speaking and writing.

# KBBC011 Swedish: 5 op

## Learning outcomes

Students will maintain and develop the Swedish language skills for use in business tasks. Students will also gain sound skills in Swedish for sales and marketing purposes as well as other spoken and written business communication tasks.

### Contents

Grammar revision, spoken Swedish in the work place Training, structure and contents of studies Company presentations Job applications Customer service and telesales



Product presentation and trade fairs Marketing communication, consumer protection Distribution Business communication

Prerequisites Proficiency test

**Further information** This course if for Finnish students only.

Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

Excellent 5: The students are able to search for information independently using different media and can produce linguistically versatile and accurate presentations with interesting and accurate content. The students have mastered work based fundamental business terminology and vocabulary and can discuss current affairs spontaneously. They are able to represent companies to an excellent standard at trade fairs. The students' spoken Swedish is fluent and systematic with no noticeable errors in pronunciation and grammar. The students' message is conveyed smoothly using a variety of grammatical structures and vocabulary.

## Good (3-4)

Good 3-4: The students are able to search for information using different media with the help of instructions and tools and use professional Swedish well when presenting such information. The students are proficient in work based fundamental business terminology and vocabulary and can discuss current affairs with preparation. The students are able to represent a company at a trade fair but may need support and preparation. The students' spoken Swedish is systematic but pronunciation and grammar errors may occur. The students' message is conveyed well using basic grammar structures and vocabulary.

## Satisfactory (1-2)

Satisfactory 1 - 2: The students are able to search for information from different media with extensive instructions and tools. Their presentation of this information may be simple in content using basic Swedish grammar and vocabulary. The students understand work based fundamental business terminology and vocabulary but experience difficulties if they have to use them in discussion. The students' spoken Swedish is hesitant as they search for words and pronunciation and grammar errors occur. The students are able to convey simple messages but errors occur in the structures and vocabularies they use.

# KBBC018 Business Finnish: 5 op

## Learning outcomes

Students will be able to acquire and use information concerning their field of study critically and work on a written and spoken presentation in connection with work and negotiations. They will be able and will wish to develop their Finnish and communication competences. They can produce good language and style appropriate to the situation, with their knowledge of core working life communication situations and the ability to use language procedures appropriate to the their field of study when performing.

## Contents

Written and spoken business communication

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Proof-reading and accuracy Report, summary, essay, presentation Business letters - polite communication Meetings

Prerequisites Word Processing

**Further information** For Finnish Students

Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

Students are able to operate perfectly in all business communication situations.

### Good (3-4)

Students can produce faultless documents and deliver an illustrative presentation successfully.

### Satisfactory (1-2)

Students are aware of the main layouts of written correspondence and documents and participate actively in speaking activities and presentations.

# KBBC019 Academic Finnish: 5 op

## Learning outcomes

Students will be able to compile an accurate, carefully written and logical thesis in Finnish as well as an accurately written maturity test.

## Contents

Meaning and syntax Accuracy and proof-reading, textual analysis Instructions for compiling a text and the maturity test

### **Prerequisites**

The course must be accomplished in conjunction with the thesis

**Further information** For Finnish Students

Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

Students perform all written assignments faultlessly and can produce a good thesis text.

### Good (3-4)

Students participate actively in developing their written communication competence and can compile a faultless academic text.

### Satisfactory (1-2)

Students will recognize the main grammatical features and punctuation of academic Finnish and can produce a good, straightforward academic text.



## KBBC015 Finnish for Foreigners 1: 5 op

## Learning outcomes

Students will be able to communicate on a day to day basis in Finnish and will get to know Finland: the country, its society, people, language and culture.

### Contents

Pronunciation, reading and conversation practice Vocabulary, questions, verb types, numerals, declension of nouns, pronouns and adjectives, vowel sounds, consonant gradation

#### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

The students can speak and write satisfactory Finnish taking into account the correct use of grammar and punctuation.

### Good (3-4)

Students will be proficient in distinguishing between meaning of short and long vowels, vowel sounds and consonant gradation both in speech and in writing. They will be able to use tenses and grammatical cases satisfactorily.

### Satisfactory (1-2)

Students can form comprehensible sentences using standard Finnish and recognize numerals in their basic form and can converse using simple questions and answers.

# KBBC016 Finnish for Foreigners 2: 5 op

### Learning outcomes

Students will develop their Finnish communication skills acquired during the previous course.

### Contents

Qualifiers, sentence structure, parts of a sentence, main verb classes and tenses Reading comprehension

**Prerequisites** Finnish for Foreigners I

Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

Students can understand the main points of a Finnish text and can summarize them orally.

### Good (3-4)

Students can form and use passive expressions in speech and in writing.

### Satisfactory (1-2)

Students are proficient in using positive and negative verb and noun expressions.

# KBBC017 Finnish for Foreigners 3: 5 op



## Learning outcomes

Students will develop their ability to operate in a Finnish communication environment.

## Contents

Verb forms, producing test, discussions on various themes

### **Prerequisites** Finnish for Foreigners I and II

### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

Students can communicate successfully in Finnish when visiting public agencies and offices.

### Good (3-4)

Students can form verbal nouns and use postposition expressions.

### Satisfactory (1-2)

Students can recognize and use expressions that express necessity ('necessive' constructions).

# LBI15Z1004 MANAGING INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS: 20 op

### Learning outcomes

Upon completion of this Module, students should develop competencies to work and manage in international business environment effectively. The courses help to create awareness regarding the key trends, issues and challenges encountered in the international business environment and provide the necessary tools to assess the impact and address the situations in a creative and ethical manner.

## **KBPI024** Introduction to Management: 5 op

### Learning outcomes

The course introduces the student to organization and management from an individual, group and organizational perspective, with the focus on human behavior, organizational structures and processes.

### Contents

Managers and the environment Strategising Organization Architecture and Control System Effective Leadership Ethics and Social Responsibilities

### Prerequisites

None

### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

The student student uses the right basic concept in a versatile and broad manner as well as provides excellent description of key elements of the key concepts taught in the course.

The student has an ability to apply concepts in practice independently, confidently and pro-actively.



The student uses the right basic concept consistently and provides the terminology and key elements in the concepts taught.

The student has an ability to justify and reason the choice and application of specific concepts.

## Satisfactory (1-2)

Student demonstrates basic understanding of concepts introduced in the course and ability to apply and implement the concepts learned in the course.

## Pass/Fail

Tests, groupwork and project

# KBPI021 International Management: 5 op

## Learning outcomes

Conducting business in the international environment can be challenging. This course aims to provide participants with a general understanding of the various management practices which a business manager should consider in the international context, with a special emphasis on issues related to cultural diversification. The course is built around questions faced by companies wishing to do business in a global marketplace.

### Contents

The dynamics of international business environment Impact of globalization Cultural considerations and implications on organizational system, management and leadership styles and human resource management

## Prerequisites

Introduction to Management

Further information TKI 3 op

### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

• Knowledge: demonstrates ability to use and apply the concepts and theoretical framework learned in this course

• Skills: demonstrates ability to critically analyse, compare, combine and select information and present alternative practices using the acquired knowledge; demonstrate ability to work independently, responsibly, with initiative and flexibly in all learning and operational environments; demonstrate creative but realistic and pragamatic approach to problem solving

• Attitudes: work smoothly and professionally as a team to achieve common goals of the group by applying critical professional ethical principles; contributes excellent team work and output

### Good (3-4)

• Knowledge: demonstrate ability to systematically use the concepts learned in this course with ability to to name, describe and give reasons for basic knowledge of the theories and concepts learned in this course

• Skills: demonstrates ability to select appropriate practices based on acquired knowledge and instructions and ables to work independently and responsibly completing different tasks in all



learning and operational environments; demonstrates ability to apply techniques and concepts learned under minimal guidance in a reasonable manner to problem solving.

• Attitudes: works smoothly and professionally as a team to achieve common goals of the group according to ethical principles; demonstrates good team work and output

### Satisfactory (1-2)

• Knowledge: ables to identify the main/individual concepts learned in the course and applies basic analysis using the concepts and theories learned from the course; ables to name and describe the concept.

• Skills: demonstrates ability to work in an appropriate manner with more guidance and supervision, though some uncertainty may be evident in the work; shows basic ability to use the techniques and models of the professional field in basic application

• Attitudes: demonstrates professional conduct in communication, updates, interactions within the team and with supervisor according to professional ethical principles; team work with peers is largely satisfactory

### Pass/Fail

Business Projects, Groupwork, Presentation and Role Play

# KBPI022 Financial Accounting: 5 op

### Learning outcomes

The course will provide an introduction to financial accounting and the preparation of financial statements. Students will be acquainted with financial analysis, its techniques and usage in evaluating companies' financial performance and position

## Contents

The role of financial accounting, and usage of Financial statement.

The accounting cycle and double-entry bookkeeping.

Entries adjustments and the preparation of financial statements.

Financial analysis and the use of ratios and other techniques to interpret business performance from Financial statements.

### Prerequisites

Introduction to Business Operations.

#### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

Excellent (5): The students are proficient in the basic principles of bookkeeping and financial statements. They are able to draw conclusions about a company's financial situation using key figures based on information in the financial statement. The students are able to use bookkeeping techniques and models independently in their work and can assess them critically while working to develop the work of their team/group and to create team spirit.

### Good (3-4)

Good (3-4): The students are proficient in the basic principles of bookkeeping and financial statements. They are able to interpret key figures based on financial statements. The students use bookkeeping techniques and models independently in their work and engage in activity to achieve common goals in groups and teams.



Assessment (1-2): The students are able to recognise the importance of bookkeeping and financial statements in corporate financial monitoring. They are able to calculate key figures for financial statements. The students use bookkeeping techniques and models under supervision and are able to work in groups.

# KBPI023 Strategic Management: 5 op

## Learning outcomes

This course is designed to develop students' understanding of the global business process. In addition, students will be introduced to both the framework and strategies of business operations, whilst considering competitiveness on a global level and forms of business cooperations across national boundaries, business practices and current trends in the global business arena.

## Contents

Strategic analysis Strategic formulation Strategic implementation

Prerequisites Introduction to Management

### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

• Knowledge: demonstrates ability to use and apply the concepts and theoretical framework learned in this course

• Skills: demonstrates ability to critically analyse, compare, combine and select information and present alternative practices using the acquired knowledge; demonstrate ability to work independently, responsibly, with initiative and flexibly in all learning and operational environments; demonstrate creative but realistic and pragamatic approach to problem solving

• Attitudes: work smoothly and professionally as a team to achieve common goals of the group by applying critical professional ethical principles; contributes excellent team work and output

## Good (3-4)

• Knowledge: demonstrate ability to systematically use the concepts learned in this course with ability to to name, describe and give reasons for basic knowledge of the theories and concepts learned in this course

• Skills: demonstrates ability to select appropriate practices based on acquired knowledge and instructions and ables to work independently and responsibly completing different tasks in all learning and operational environments; demonstrates ability to apply techniques and concepts learned under minimal guidance in a reasonable manner to problem solving.

• Attitudes: works smoothly and professionally as a team to achieve common goals of the group according to ethical principles; demonstrates good team work and output

## Satisfactory (1-2)

• Knowledge: ables to identify the main/individual concepts learned in the course and applies basic analysis using the concepts and theories learned from the course; ables to name and describe the concept.

• Skills: demonstrates ability to work in an appropriate manner with more guidance and supervision, though some uncertainty may be evident in the work; shows basic ability to use the techniques and



models of the professional field in basic application

• Attitudes: demonstrates professional conduct in communication, updates, interactions within the team and with supervisor according to professional ethical principles; team work with peers is largely satisfactory

## Pass/Fail

Exam, Business Projects, Groupwork and Case Studies

# LBI15Z1005 WORK COMMUNITY COMPETENCE: 10 op

## Learning outcomes

Upon completion of this module, students will learned how to operate as an effective member of a work community. The competencies developed include interactive communication in work situations and inter-cultural environment, apply principles of organizational management and leadership in an international, diverse and multi-cultural environment.

# KBPW001 Leadership and Human Resource Management: 5 op

### Learning outcomes

This course covers the information needed to understand the Human Resource Management aspect of an organization. It will develop an understanding of the skills needed for the formulation and implementation of HRM strategies while providing the basic information necessary to understand the function of management and leadership in an organization.

### Contents

Introduction to the basic principles of human resource management Introduction to the basic principles of leadership and organization Human resource policies Competence based human resource management Human resource planning, recruitment, selection and retention Orientation, training and development Performance management Remuneration and reward Employee relations International dimensions of HRM

Prerequisites Introduction to Management

### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

• Knowledge: demonstrates ability to use and apply the concepts and theoretical framework learned in this course

• Skills: demonstrates ability to critically analyse, compare, combine and select information and present alternative practices using the acquired knowledge; demonstrate ability to work independently, responsibly, with initiative and flexibly in all learning and operational environments; demonstrate creative but realistic and pragamatic approach to problem solving

• Attitudes: work smoothly and professionally as a team to achieve common goals of the group by applying critical professional ethical principles; contributes excellent team work and output



• Knowledge: demonstrate ability to systematically use the concepts learned in this course with ability to to name, describe and give reasons for basic knowledge of the theories and concepts learned in this course

• Skills: demonstrates ability to select appropriate practices based on acquired knowledge and instructions and ables to work independently and responsibly completing different tasks in all learning and operational environments; demonstrates ability to apply techniques and concepts learned under minimal guidance in a reasonable manner to problem solving.

• Attitudes: works smoothly and professionally as a team to achieve common goals of the group according to ethical principles; demonstrates good team work and output

## Satisfactory (1-2)

• Knowledge: ables to identify the main/individual concepts learned in the course and applies basic analysis using the concepts and theories learned from the course; ables to name and describe the concept.

• Skills: demonstrates ability to work in an appropriate manner with more guidance and supervision, though some uncertainty may be evident in the work; shows basic ability to use the techniques and models of the professional field in basic application

• Attitudes: demonstrates professional conduct in communication, updates, interactions within the team and with supervisor according to professional ethical principles; team work with peers is largely satisfactory

## Pass/Fail

Research project, groupwork, literature review task and presentation

# **KBPW002** Intercultural Communication: 5 op

## Learning outcomes

Students will increase their understanding of cultures. They are able to recognise and differentiate between cultures and their influence on working life and customer behaviour. During intercultural encounters they can identify dimensions used when comparing communication across cultures.

## Contents

Concepts of culture and communication Getting used to another culture as a process Variables used when comparing cultures Cultural differences in communication styles Various business cultures Cultural understanding (customer/business partner)

### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

The student knows well the main theory, principles, models and concepts of intercultural communication.

The student is able to discuss and write about the above mentioned items fluently and proficiently. The student can use the specific terminology relating to the subject matter variedly in descriptions and explanations.

The student understands well speech relating to the field and rather well if the speaker has a foreign or otherwise strange accent.



The student uses versatile structures correctly. The student pronounces and articulates clearly. The student can give well structured and organised presentations.

## Good (3-4)

The student knows the main theory, principles, models and concepts of intercultural communication to a reasoable extent.

The student is able to discuss and write about the above mentioned items within limits.

The student can use the specific terminology relating to the subject matter moderately well in descriptions and explanations.

The student understands most of the speech relating to the field; and to some extent if the speaker has a foreign or otherwise strange accent.

The student uses fewer structures but generally correctly.

The student pronounces and articulates rather clearly.

The student gives presentations that are to some extent structured and organised.

## Satisfactory (1-2)

The student knows some of the main theory, principles, models and concepts of intercultural communication.

The student is able to discuss and write about the above items only to a very limited extent. The student can use only a small part of the specific terminology relating to the subject matter in descriptions and explanations.

The student understands speech relating to the field somehow; in case the speaker has a foreign or otherwise strange accent understanding is rather poor.

The student uses basic structures, though mostly right, if more advanced structures are used makes several errors in them.

The student pronounces somewhat understandably but often articulates unclearly.

The student gives rather poorly structured and organised presentations.

# LBI15Z1006 METHODOLOGICAL COMPETENCE: 10 op

# KBPM010 Project Management: 5 op

## Learning outcomes

The student will adopt the modern way of goal-oriented working used both in business and administration.

## Contents

The Project Management Framework Global Business and intercultural Projects Project Communication Management Project Risk Management Project Documentation and Project Management Tools

#### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

The students demonstrate knowledge of the project context and the project environment. The students demonstrate knowledge of the principles of effective communication, leadership, motivation, negotiation and conflict management and problem solving. The students are able to



manage research, development and innovation projects and masters the methods of research and development work.

## Good (3-4)

The students demonstrate knowledge of the project context and the project environment. The students can demonstrate knowledge of the principles of effective communication, leadership, motivation, negotiation and conflict management and problem solving. The students demonstrate the ability to manage small international projects.

### Satisfactory (1-2)

The students demonstrate knowledge of the project context and the project environment.

# KBPM011 Research Methods: 5 op

## Learning outcomes

Students will understand the basic scientific and research concepts and structures, can read development project texts and reports critically and plan and carry out investigations and surveys during their studies and in working life. They will be proficient in the most common research methods.

## Contents

Research processes and the basics of scientific thinking Qualitative and quantitative research concepts and basic methods. Use of statistics program.

## Further information

The course must be accomplished in conjunction with the thesis

### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

The student can use research concepts competently and versatilely.

The student can analyze and evaluate previous studies critically.

The student can analyze, compare, combine and choose information and present alternative methods in research processes.

The student can assess and relfect on the development of his or her own competence critically. The student can act independently, responsibly and initiatively.

The student can act as a team member, promoting and developing the actions of the team to achieve a common goal.

The student can apply ethical principles critically in his or her actions.

## Good (3-4)

The student can use the main research concepts consistently.

The student can describe different research processes and validate solutions related to them. The student can analyze previous research.

The student can choose appropriate methods on the basis of information retrieved for research.

The student can assess and reflect on the development of his or her own competence.

The student can act independently and responsibly.

The student can act as a team member to achieve a common goal

The student can validate his or her actions using ethical principles.



The student can use the main R&D concepts appropriately.

The student can describe the general research process.

The student can summarize previous research.

The student can plan the implementation of methods related to the thesis process correctly though somewhat inconsistently.

The student can use the research methods under supervision.

The student can act as a team member , take responsibility as a team member and take other team members into account.

# LBI15Z1007 ADVANCED MARKETING STUDIES: 30 op

# **KBPA001 Integrated Marketing Communication: 5 op**

## Learning outcomes

The student understands the strategic nature of marketing communications and learns to identify different functions of marketing communications, communications' effects on consumers, and understands the marketing communications planning process.

The student is able to plan marketing communications and student can critically evaluate ethical concerns related to marketing communications.

This course consists of a optional 5 credits practical work life-related project

## Contents

Concept of integrated marketing communications Different perspectives to IMC and the theoretical views influencing those Strategic role and planning process of integrated marketing communications The role of advertising and media choice The role of sales promotion, public relations and networks Ethical and social responsibilities in marketing communications

## Prerequisites

Introduction to Marketing

Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

Student uses independently the right basic concept in a versatile and broad manner and provides the excellent description of the concept and / or key elements of the key concepts taught in the course.

Has an ability to apply knowledge gained from prior courses in practice and has an ability to choose and utilize appropriate elements of marketing communications channels and use theory background.

## Good (3-4)

Student uses the right basic concept consistently and provides the terminology and key elements in the concepts taught.

Has an ability to choose and utilize appropriate elements of marketing communications channels and use theory background.

## Satisfactory (1-2)



Student demonstrates basic understanding of marketing communications concepts and key elements.

Has an ability to choose appropriate elements of marketing communications channels and use theory background.

# KBPA002 Services Marketing: 5 op

### Learning outcomes

To provide students with a comprehensive view of services marketing. Participants will gain a thorough understanding of the distinctive characteristics of services, whilst understanding the importance of services marketing in today's international business environment.

This course consists of a optional 5 credits practical work life-related project.

### Contents

What are Services? What is services marketing? The nature of the service The Structure of a Service / Service experience Service quality The pricing of services Innovation and new service development Development process Services Marketing Segmentation, Partnership marketing Marketing Tools

## Further information

R & D 2 cr.

### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

The student is able to critically analyze and reflect upon the chosen concepts and channels The student is able to implement the chosen theories and concepts in a proactive, flexible and responsible manner.

The student is able to apply concepts and knowledge gained from prior courses in practice / current given task / objectives independently

The student is able to bring new insights and knowledge to the subject under research.

### Good (3-4)

The student is able to choose and apply suitable concepts and channels with minimal guidance / supervision

The student is able to implement and choose different theoretical backgrounds with minimal supervision / guidance.

The student is able to fluently apply concepts and knowledge gained from prior courses in practice / current given task / objectives with minimal guidance and supervision.

### Satisfactory (1-2)

The student is able to choose appropriate concepts and channels with guidance / supervision The student is able to implement and choose different theoretical backgrounds under supervision /



### guidance.

The student is able to apply concepts and knowledge gained from prior courses in practice / current given task / objectives.

# KBPA003 International Networking and Collaboration: 5 op

### Learning outcomes

The course helps participants to deepen their understanding of the key essence about and strategic relationships in the value delivery network. Through this course, participants will learn the different kinds of networks and their significance in business life, how to coordinate them more effectively in order to achieve strategic goals of the company. The participants will also understand the underlying logic of different types of strategic nets, learning and knowledge transfer within the network, potential sources of conflict and conflict resolution strategies.

### Contents

Basic concepts of network and strategic thinking Different kind of strategic nets, their management mechanisms and capabilities Learning and knowledge in the network context Sources of conflict in networks and conflict resolution

### Prerequisites

Introduction to Management, Strategic Management, International Management

#### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

Student uses the right basic concept in a versatile and broad manner as well as provides excellent description of key elements of the key concepts taught in the course. Student demonstrates clearly the ability to apply concepts in practice independently, confidently and pro-actively.

### Good (3-4)

The student uses the right basic concept consistently and provides the terminology and key elements in the concepts taught. The student has an ability to justify and reason the choice and application of specific concepts.

### Satisfactory (1-2)

Student demonstrates basic understanding of concepts introduced in the course and ability to apply and implement the concepts learned in the course.

### Pass/Fail

Literature review, Research assignments and / or projects

# KBPA004 Product, Brand and Price Management: 5 op

### Learning outcomes

The course develops a deeper understanding from theoretical viewpoints of the different factors that impact organization marketing as a competitive advantage. Students will enhance and develop their skills in planning, analyzing, developing and managing key marketing mix element strategies for indepth knowledge on product, brand and price management.

## Contents



Product management, product development Product life-cycle Brand management Brand identity, brand promise Brand building process and models Price management and pricing decisions Price strategies, psychological pricing

### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

Students use the right basic concepts extensively and in a variety of ways and provide an excellent description of the concept and / or key elements of the key concepts taught in the course. Have the ability to apply concepts and knowledge gained from prior courses in practice / given assignments / in objectives independently and pro-actively.

## Good (3-4)

Students use the right basic concepts consistently and provide the terminology and key elements of the concepts taught.

Have the ability to provide a good description and the key elements of the concepts and to justify and reason the choice and application of specific concepts.

## Satisfactory (1-2)

Students demonstrate a basic understanding of the concepts introduced in the course and have the basic ability to apply and implement the concepts learned.

Have the ability to provide a basic description of the concept and / or key elements of the key concepts taught in the course.

# KBPA005 Selling and Sales Management: 5 op

## Learning outcomes

The course develops an understanding of the selling and sales management process from theoretical viewpoints. Students understand the role of sales in marketing. The second aspect of the course deals with sales negotiation situations in the business environment.

## Contents

Sales in marketing Sales environment and settings Sales techniques (KAM, direct marketing) Sales management and control Negotiation skills and strategies Negotiation process

Prerequisites Introduction to Marketing

Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

Student uses the right basic concept in a versatile and broad manner as well as provides excellent description of key elements of the key concepts taught in the course.

Has an ability to apply concepts and knowledge gained from prior courses in practice independently



## Good (3-4)

Student uses the right basic concept consistently and provides the terminology and key elements in the concepts taught.

Has an ability to justify and reason the choice and application of specific concepts.

### Satisfactory (1-2)

Student demonstrates basic understanding of concepts introduced in the course and ability to apply and implement the concepts learned in the course.

# KBPA006 Advanced Project in Integrated Marketing Communications: 5 op

## Learning outcomes

Students will be able to and implement practical tasks associated with marketing communication.

### Contents

Learning project in accordance with the Proactive UAS strategy linked to developing a part of a client's marketing communication. The RDI project is connected with the Integrated Marketing Communications course.

### Prerequisites

**Basic studies** 

Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

The students use, compare and apply the central content, elements and basic content acquired from marketing professional studies. The use of these concepts and terminology in their project documentation is varied, based on expertise and well justified.

The students are able to combine and apply previously acquired marketing competence effectively. The project plan demonstrates critical evaluation skills, the ability to cooperate with the client and to take future challenges into account. The objectives of the projects are achieved with initiative and independently.

### Good (3-4)

Students are able to describe and explain the central content and basic concepts of marketing acquired during professional studies and can apply and use such concepts consistently and logically in their project documentation.

Students are able to use and apply marketing development methods that best suit the client/organization. They work independently during the project and can consistently justify their solutions.

## Satisfactory (1-2)

Students are able to name, understand and partially use the central content and basic concepts acquired during professional studies. The learning project as a whole is merely at the descriptive stage and the overall planning lacks substance in places.

The students are able to select appropriate methods to develop a part of marketing. Knowledge and competence from previous learning is partially applied. The students still require supervision.



# KBPA007 Advanced Project in Services Marketing: 5 op

## Learning outcomes

Students will be able to plan and implement practical tasks associated with services marketing.

## Contents

Learning project in accordance with the Proactive UAS strategy linked to developing a part of a client's marketing. The RDI project is connected with the Services Marketing course.

## Prerequisites

Basic studies

### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

The students use, compare and apply the central content, elements and basic content acquired from marketing professional studies. The use of these concepts and terminology in their project documentation is varied, based on expertise and well justified.

## Good (3-4)

Students are able to describe and explain the central content and basic concepts of marketing acquired during professional studies and can apply and use such concepts consistently and logically in their project documentation.

Students are able to use and apply marketing development methods that best suit the client/organization. They work independently during the project and can consistently justify their solutions.

## Satisfactory (1-2)

Students are able to name, understand and partially use the central content and basic concepts acquired during professional studies. The learning project as a whole is merely at the descriptive stage and the overall planning lacks substance in places.

The students are able to select appropriate methods to develop a part of marketing. Knowledge and competence from previous learning is partially applied. The students still require supervision.

## Pass/Fail

R & D 5 cr.

# LBI15Z1008 BUSINESS COMPETENCE DEVELOPMENT: 20 op

## Learning outcomes

Upon completion of the module, students are equipped with the skills and competencies to perform cross-border marketing research and analysis on a macro, industrial and micro level, to formulate and implement market entry strategies in an international and multi-cultural environments. In addition, students should appreciate the importance of profitable customer relationships and be equipped with knowledge to manage, maintain and develop such relationship in an effective manner.

# KBPB001 Quality and Risk Management: 5 op

## Learning outcomes

A comprehensive approach to quality improvement/quality assurance includes risk management.



This course introduces the concept of quality management and its process, models and applications and how these improve risk mananagement of business organizations.

## Contents

Foundation of quality What is quality management Quality Management systems Quality management tools and techniques Implementing quality management Applications of quality management

## Prerequisites

Introduction to Management

### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

Student uses the right basic concept in a versatile and broad manner as well as provides excellent description of key elements of the key concepts taught in the course.

Has an ability to apply concepts in practice independently and pro-actively.

## Good (3-4)

Student uses the right basic concept consistently and provides the terminology and key elements in the concepts taught.

Has an ability to justify and reason the choice and application of specific concepts

### Satisfactory (1-2)

Student demonstrates basic understanding of concepts introduced in the course and ability to apply and implement the concepts learned in the course.

# **KBPB002** International Marketing: 5 op

## Learning outcomes

The course is designed to provide students with an introduction to international marketing. On completion, this course will provide the foundation for understanding the global business environment and the student will be equipped with a set of conceptual and analytical tools that prepare him / her for applying successfully the marketing mix to international marketing.

## Contents

Framework of international marketing International environmental analysis Dynamics of international environment The impact of culture in international marketing Marketing mix in global environment International marketing strategies

## Prerequisites

Introduction to Management, Introduction to Marketing and other basic studies

Further information 3 TKI op

Assessment criteria Excellent (5)



### Knowledge:

• demonstrates ability to use and apply the concepts and theoretical framework learned in this course

Skills:

• demonstrates ability to analyse, compare, combine and select information and present alternative practices

• demonstrate ability to analyse, reflect upon and critically assess competence and practices of the professional field using acquired knowledge

• demonstrate ability to work independently, responsibly, with initiative and flexibly in all learning and operational environments

• demonstrate creative but realistic and pragamatic approach to problem solving

## Attitudes:

- work smoothly and professionally as a team to achieve common goals of the group
- apply critical professional ethical principles
- excellent team work and output

## Good (3-4)

Knowledge:

• demonstrate ability to systematically use the concepts learned in this course

• able to name, describe and give reasons for basic knowledge of the theories and concepts learned in this course

Skills:

- ability to select appropriate practices based on acquired knowledge and instructions
- ability to work independently and responsibly completing different tasks in all learning and operational environments
- ability to apply techniques and concepts learned under minimal guidance
- ability to use creative but realistic and pragamatic approach to problem solving

Attitudes:

- work smoothly and professionally as a team to achieve common goals of the group
- work according to professional ethical principles
- good team work and output

## Satisfactory (1-2)

Knowledge:

- ability to identify the main/individual concepts learned in the course
- ability to apply basic analysis using the concepts and theories learned from the course

Skills:

• ability to work in an appropriate manner, though some uncertainty may be evident in the work

• ability to work appropriately under more guidance and supervision in different learning and operating environments

• ability to use the techniques and models of the professional field in basic application

Attitudes:

• professional conduct in communication, updates, interactions within the team and with supervisor



• work according to professional ethical p

team work is largely satisfactory

## Pass/Fail

Group work, literature review, business projects

# KBPB003 Marketing Research: 5 op

### Learning outcomes

To provide the student with a primary tool for exploring new opportunities in the marketplace with emphasis on the marketing research process and its application to specific business decisions. Students will understand the principles of qualitative and quantitative research and will be able to clarify the research questions, construct research process and apply a suitable research method.

## Contents

The basic concepts, needs and goals of marketing research

- Qualitative and quantitative research methods
- Formulating a research plan from the specific research method perspective
- Conducting the research and analyzing the results
- Writing a research report and introducing final outcomes

#### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

Student is able to use the right basic concept in a versatile and broad manner for marketing research purpose as well as provide excellent description of key elements of the key concepts taught in the course.

Has an ability to apply concepts in practice independently and pro-actively.

### Good (3-4)

Student uses the right basic concept consistently and provides the terminology and key elements in the concepts taught.

Demonstrates good ability to justify and reason the choice and application of specific concepts

### Satisfactory (1-2)

Student demonstrates basic understanding of the marketing research concepts introduced in the course and ability to apply and implement the concepts learned in the course.

## KBPB004 Strategic Marketing Management: 5 op

### Learning outcomes

The course aims at strengthening students' understanding of strategic marketing techniques and developing strategic thinking skills. At the end of the course, students will not only gain insight into the scope, roles and the process involved in the strategic marketing process of a firm, but will also be able to perform strategic marketing analysis, planning and implementation.

### Contents

Strategic analysis of the marketing environment Segmentation analysis Development, implementation and management of marketing strategies



### Prerequisites

Introduction to Management, Introduction to Marketing and other basic studies

## Assessment criteria

## Excellent (5)

Student uses the right basic concept in a versatile and broad manner as well as provides excellent description of key elements of the key concepts taught in the course. Has an ability to apply concepts in practice independently and pro-actively.

### Good (3-4)

Student uses the right basic concept consistently and provides the terminology and key elements in the concepts taught.

Has an ability to justify and reason the choice and application of specific concepts

### Satisfactory (1-2)

Student demonstrates basic understanding of concepts introduced in the course and ability to apply and implement the concepts learned in the course.

# LBI15Z1009 FREE CHOICE STUDIES: 15 op

### Learning outcomes

Students can freely select 15 cr of studies that will support their professional development, from their own field/degree programme or from another degree programme in their own university of applied sciences, from another university of applied sciences or science university. Students will achieve wide-ranging expertise.

# KBW317 Consumer Buyer Behaviour: 5 op

### Learning outcomes

The aim of this course, is to build on the knowledge gained in marketing management and provide students with a broader understanding of consumer buyer behaviour. In particular, its relevance to promotional communication and market research.

### Contents

Consumer behaviour model Components of behaviour Consumer behaviour in the marketing mix Reference groups Consumer behaviour and market management

#### Assessment criteria Pass/Fail

To be announced.

# KBW318 Asian Business: 5 op

### Learning outcomes

Curriculum



This webcourse aims to provide students a general understanding of the business system in several major Asian markets, the business environments and system within which they operate with a special emphasis in the cultural aspect of the Asian societies. It also aims to provide a general understanding of the important issues that business managers face in the region, the course provides students with knowledge about how business is conducted and how foreign companies operate in this environment.

### Contents

Strategic importance and strategy formulation of Asia Pacific Asian Business logic and management system Competition patterns and entry strategies

### Prerequisites

Introduction to Management

### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

Student uses the right basic concept in a versatile and broad manner as well as provides excellent description of key elements of the key concepts taught in the course.

Has an ability to apply concepts in practice independently and pro-actively.

### Good (3-4)

Student uses the right basic concept consistently and provides the terminology and key elements in the concepts taught.

Has an ability to justify and reason the choice and application of specific concepts.

### Satisfactory (1-2)

Student demonstrates basic understanding of concepts introduced in the course and ability to apply and implement the concepts learned in the course.

### Pass/Fail

Assignments, field trip (depends on opportunity), company visit, learning diary and exhibition about Asian countries

## KBPF002 Russian Business: 5 op

### Learning outcomes

The course is designed to introduce students to Russian society as a potential business area. It will familiarise students with the culture, politics, economy, trade patterns, industrial structures, services, governmental policies, political structures, regulations affecting businesses, and existing business opportunities.

### Contents

Russian business environment Russian markets Trade patterns

Prerequisites Basic Studies

Assessment criteria Excellent (5)



The students demonstrate an ability to use professional terminology in a controlled manner and base their decisions on customer needs and using an extended knowledge base. They demonstrate the ability to assess the requirements and consequences of their own activities systematically. The students demonstrate the ability to create a good working atmosphere in their group.

### Good (3-4)

Students can demonstrate their ability to perceive the links between central and appropriate professional concepts and can base decision-making using the field's knowledge base. They are able to distinguish between the requirements and consequences of their operations and participate in the group's activities.

### Satisfactory (1-2)

The students will demonstrate their ability to use central and appropriate professional concepts and to make choices founded on knowledge in their field. They can recognize the requirements and consequences of their own operations and participate in the activities of the group.

# KBW320 European Business: 5 op

### Learning outcomes

The aim of the course is to introduce students to the dynamic nature of the European business environment. The aim will be achieved by examining the role of the European Union as a business regulator and its effect on small and medium sized businesses and by examining European economic integration

## Contents

European business environment, the European Union as a business regulator, European policies, European business sectors.

### Prerequisites

Economics, Introduction to Business Law, International Economics

# Assessment criteria

Pass/Fail

Participation and contribution as audience, Seminar documents and presentations.

# KBW322 Product Development: 5 op

### Learning outcomes

The course aims to develop the interdisciplinary skills required for successful product development in today's competitive marketplace. Engineering, Business, Sport and Game programming students join forces in small product development groups to experience the new product development process in detail, learning about the available methods, tools and techniques to execute each process step along the way. Each student brings his/her own disciplinary perspective to the group effort, and should learn to synthesize that perspective with those of the other students in the team to develop a sound marketable product. The course provides a multiple perspective approach that links the key areas of R&D, marketing and technology.

Each project in the course addresses market (customer needs), technical (engineering design, prototyping, and manufacture) and financial (profitability) feasibilities of the new product. Students are expected to leave the course understanding new product development processes as



well as useful tools, techniques and organizational structures that support new product development practice and innovations.

## Contents

Product development processes and organization
Product planning and identifying customer needs
Product specifications
Concept generation, selection and testing
Product architecture
Patents and intellectual property

**Prerequisites** All first and second years courses

### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

The student uses the professional concepts in their field in a competent and comprehensive way and is able to integrate different levels of understanding and information into the project. The student can compare, combine and select information as well as present alternative ways of working and estimate critically their own know-how. The student works as a group member in a professional and goal-oriented manner.

## Good (3-4)

The student selects suitable methods based on the guidance they have received and the information they have acquired. The student evaluates and reflects their own know-how and ways of working. The student works professionally in situations involving the customers, works as a member for the group pursuing a common goal and can justify his/her actions.

## Satisfactory (1-2)

The student uses proper methods of market, marketing and customers understanding. The student is able to conduct basic level of market and customer exploration studies. The student works according to principles of professional ethics during the project and talking into account the project stakeholders interests and other group members.

# KBW028 New Trends in Leadership and Management: 5 op

## Learning outcomes

Knowledge capital providing a competitive edge will be emphasised during this course, while providing students with a grounding in quality leadership, activity-based management in business leadership and the significance of leadership and management in the implementation of an organisation's basic tasks.

## Contents

Knowledge capital, quality leadership, activity-based management and accounting, leading and leadership

### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

An excellent and commendable essay based on the set learning assignment completed by the student that is informative and comprehensive and covers all areas stipulated in the question/set assignment. All sources used in the learning assignment have been appropriately and visibly applied



when answering and breaking down the set questions. The points of view presented by various sources have been evaluated, compared and linked so that the central themes and concepts of the subject are fluently presented. The text also contains your own thoughts, appropriately reasoned and justified, applications and criticism. The text is clearly divided up and progresses in a logical way ensuring that all the areas of the assignment have been equally covered. The source references have been recorded correctly and the general external appearance of the learning assignment is neat and well organised and edited. The student has presented the issues and topics stipulated in the assignment/question set, in an original and creative way.

### Good (3-4)

The student has written an essay that clearly presents the central theories and concepts of the topic covered, based on the set assignment/essay question. The learning assignment includes coverage of all sources, but the evaluation of the contents presented in the source information, the overall cohesiveness of the source information presented, and the comparison of sources is random and requires more thought. The text, though informative, is slightly unnatural (mechanical in nature), boring and based on summary and quotation. It only contains a little original thought. The source references may contain some inaccuracies. As a whole, the essay has covered all topics and themes as stipulated in the question in an organised and cohesive way.

### Satisfactory (1-2)

An essay which superficially covers the set question or assignment in a disorganised fashion will be evaluated as satisfactory (grade 2) in a learning assignment. Source coverage will be erratic, relying on a single source in detail and leaving other sources out or only covering them sketchily. The essay almost totally lacks a combination of information, comparison and critical thought. The text is unclearly divided, making it difficult to perceive a cohesive narrative.

### Pass/Fail

An essay/dissertation etc. assessed as requiring further work can be described as follows: The essay clearly lacks content in terms of the question/learning assignment set. Central theories and concepts have not been covered and applied profoundly enough nor in an appropriate way. A crucial part of the coverage of the assignment set may have been left out. Sources have not been used properly, e.g. one basic source has not been sufficiently used or has not been used at all during the writing process. The text may simply summarise sources, even copy directly from other texts. References have been recorded incorrectly or are even missing.

## KBW029 Management Procedures and Strategies: 5 op

### Learning outcomes

Students will understand and be able to apply a strategic business control system.

### Contents

Use of the balanced scorecard, scores and assessment, information gathering and implementation

#### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

An excellent and commendable essay based on the set learning assignment completed by the student that is informative and comprehensive and covers all areas stipulated in the question/set assignment.

All sources used in the learning assignment have been appropriately and visibly applied when



answering and breaking down the set questions.

The points of view presented by various sources have been evaluated, compared and linked so that the central themes and concepts of the subject are fluently presented

The text also contains your own thoughts, appropriately reasoned and justified, applications and criticism.

The text is clearly divided up and progresses in a logical way ensuring that all the areas of the assignment have been equally covered.

The source references have been recorded correctly and the general external appearance of the learning assignment is neat and well organised and edited.

The student has presented the issues and topics stipulated in the assignment/question set, in an original and creative way.

### Good (3-4)

The student has written an essay that clearly presents the central theories and concepts of the topic covered, based on the set assignment/essay question.

The learning assignment includes coverage of all sources, but the evaluation of the contents presented in the source information, the overall cohesiveness of the source information presented, and the comparison of sources is random and requires more thought.

The text, though informative, is slightly unnatural (mechanical in nature), boring and based on summary and quotation. It only contains a little original thought.

The source references may contain some inaccuracies

As a whole, the essay has covered all topics and themes as stipulated in the question in an organised and cohesive way.

### Satisfactory (1-2)

An essay which superficially covers the set question or assignment in a disorganised fashion will be evaluated as satisfactory (grade 2) in a learning assignment.

Source coverage will be erratic, relying on a single source in detail and leaving other sources out or only covering them sketchily.

The essay almost totally lacks a combination of information, comparison and critical thought. The text is unclearly divided, making it difficult to perceive a cohesive narrative.

The student has managed to present the theories and concepts appropriate to the subject of the question/task in a comprehensible way and has attempted to apply them to the question in hand. Some references are missing.

A learning assignment awarded a grade 1 contains most of the elements required to be awarded a grade 2.

### Pass/Fail

An essay/dissertation etc. assessed as requiring further work can be described as follows: The essay clearly lacks content in terms of the question/learning assignment set. Central theories and concepts have not been covered and applied profoundly enough nor in an appropriate way. A crucial part of the coverage of the assignment set may have been left out. Sources have not been used properly, e.g. one basic source has not been sufficiently used or has not been used at all during the writing process. The text may simply summarise sources, even copy directly from other texts. References have been recorded incorrectly or are even missing.

# KBW030 Organizational Psychology: 3 op

## Learning outcomes



This course provides in depth knowledge of organisational behaviour.

## Contents

The role and responsibility of leadership in conflict situations, dealing with problems in the work community, work satisfaction, encouragement, reward and skills development.

#### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

An excellent and commendable essay based on the set learning assignment completed by the student that is informative and comprehensive and covers all areas stipulated in the question/set assignment.

All sources used in the learning assignment have been appropriately and visibly applied when answering and breaking down the set questions.

The points of view presented by various sources have been evaluated, compared and linked so that the central themes and concepts of the subject are fluently presented

The text also contains your own thoughts, appropriately reasoned and justified, applications and criticism.

The text is clearly divided up and progresses in a logical way ensuring that all the areas of the assignment have been equally covered.

The source references have been recorded correctly and the general external appearance of the learning assignment is neat and well organised and edited.

The student has presented the issues and topics stipulated in the assignment/question set, in an original and creative way.

## Good (3-4)

The student has written an essay that clearly presents the central theories and concepts of the topic covered, based on the set assignment/essay question.

The learning assignment includes coverage of all sources, but the evaluation of the contents presented in the source information, the overall cohesiveness of the source information presented, and the comparison of sources is random and requires more thought.

The text, though informative, is slightly unnatural (mechanical in nature), boring and based on summary and quotation. It only contains a little original thought.

The source references may contain some inaccuracies

As a whole, the essay has covered all topics and themes as stipulated in the question in an organised and cohesive way.

## Satisfactory (1-2)

An essay which superficially covers the set question or assignment in a disorganised fashion will be evaluated as satisfactory (grade 2) in a learning assignment.

Source coverage will be erratic, relying on a single source in detail and leaving other sources out or only covering them sketchily.

The essay almost totally lacks a combination of information, comparison and critical thought.

The text is unclearly divided, making it difficult to perceive a cohesive narrative.

The student has managed to present the theories and concepts appropriate to the subject of the question/task in a comprehensible way and has attempted to apply them to the question in hand. Some references are missing.

A learning assignment awarded a grade 1 contains most of the elements required to be awarded a grade 2.

## Pass/Fail



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# KBW012 Risk Management: 3 op

## Learning outcomes

Students will be conversant with the concept of risk management and the risk management process. They will be able to identify, assess and manage business risks. Students will complete a risk management plan of a real or fictitious company according to the instructions given on the course pages.

## Contents

Risk management, the risk management process. Identification, assessment and management of business risks.

### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

The students are able to analyze, compare and critically assess the implementation and various options of the risk management plan based on independently acquired knowledge. They are able to analyze the plan's level of goal-orientation and productive results.

## Good (3-4)

The students can describe and justify the different parts of the risk management plan, are able to work independently to achieve objectives with acquired knowledge and some guidelines, and can apply the methods and models of the risk management plan. They can work independently to achieve their objectives and justify their actions according to professional ethical standards.

## Satisfactory (1-2)

The students are able to define and use the basic concepts associated with a risk management plan according to professional ethical standards. Their plan will contain enough information for a company to implement its risk management.

# KBW016 Business Plan: 3 op

## Learning outcomes

The objective of this course is to study the planning targets of the company by means of a business plan. The student will be able to complete a business plan.

## Contents

Students will complete a Business Plan of a real or fictitious company on a formulated sheet. This course is not for creating the documents needed when establishing a company.

#### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

The students are able to analyze, compare and critically assess the implementation of the business



plan based on independently acquired knowledge. They are able to analyze the plan's level of customer orientation and profitability.

## Good (3-4)

The students can describe and justify the procedures associated with starting business operations and entrepreneurship, are able to work independently with acquired knowledge and some guidelines, and can apply the methods and models of the business plan. They can work independently to achieve their objectives and justify their actions according to professional ethical standards. They are able to assess the compatibility of the various parts of the business plan and their selected strategy.

### Satisfactory (1-2)

The students are able to define and use the basic concepts associated with a business plan according to professional ethical standards. Their plan will contain enough information to start business operations and to go international.

# KBW358 Commercialisation: 5 op

## Learning outcomes

Students will know the most typical process models and methods of commercializing technology. They will be able to describe rough products and services obtained through product development and innovations to develop business operations: how can such services and products be built upon to form commercial products. Students will know the main networks and operators, their roles and opportunities in the commercialization process.

## Contents

Innovation as a part of commercialization Innovation leadership Commercialization process models and methods IPR as a part of commercialization The stages of commercialization

### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

The students demonstrate an ability to use professional terminology in a controlled manner and base their decisions on customer needs and using an extended knowledge base. They demonstrate the ability to assess the requirements and consequences of their own activities systematically. The students demonstrate the ability to create a good working atmosphere in their group.

## Good (3-4)

Students can demonstrate their ability to perceive the links between central and appropriate professional concepts and can base decision-making using the field's knowledge base. They are able to distinguish between the requirements and consequences of their operations and participate in the group's activities.

## Satisfactory (1-2)

The students will demonstrate their ability to use central and appropriate professional concepts and to make choices founded on knowledge in their field. They can recognize the requirements and consequences of their own operations and participate in the activities of the group.



# KBW380 Export and Import Routines: 3 op

### Learning outcomes

To familiarize the student with the basic routines and procedures in the export/import trade.

### Contents

Entry strategies, distributorship and agency contracts Quotations Incoterms Terms of payment Documents in foreign trade Transportation Customs clearance Insurance

### Assessment criteria Excellent (5)

Students are able to analyze, compare and critically assess procedures associated with foreign trade and internationalization and their implementation based on acquired knowledge.

### Good (3-4)

Students can describe and justify the procedures required in starting foreign trade, are able to work independently to achieve objectives with acquired knowledge and some guidelines, and can apply import and export methods and models. They know how to assess the compatibility of the different parts of the business idea with their selected strategy.

### Satisfactory (1-2)

Students can define and use the basic import and export concepts according to professional ethical standards. They have sufficient knowledge to begin foreign trade and to go international.

# LBI15Z1010 PRACTICAL TRAINING: 30 op

## **KBH001 Practical Training: 30 op**

### Learning outcomes

To provide the student with an insight of the commercial world and an opportunity to apply knowledge gained to practical tasks. It also provides the student with an opportunity to acquire new skills and encourages personal development.

## Contents

Students are required to work as a trainee in a foreign company. Practical training can also be accomplished locally.

- information sessions before and after the practical training period
- 800 hours (about 5 months) practical training to be completed in one uninterrupted period
- training report and tasks

## Prerequisites

Before starting the placement the student must have completed basic studies and have earned a minimum of 115 credits. It is recommended that the placement is completed during the spring



### Assessment criteria Pass/Fail

P/F

Students must demonstrate sufficient initiative and ability to apply knowledge and competences to business related tasks.

# LBI15Z1011 THESIS: 15 op

# KBT001 Thesis: 15 op

## Learning outcomes

Students will develop and demonstrate their abilities to apply their knowledge and competences in a practical assignment requiring expertise linked to their professional studies. They will deepen their professional competence in RDI activities by completing a working life based research, development or other project in the form of a thesis. They will be proficient in the written and spoken forms of communication required in working life.

## Contents

Thesis plan, its presentation and acting as opponent Actual thesis (+ thesis workshop work) Presentation seminars Maturity test

Prerequisites Research Methods

Assessment criteria Pass/Fail

1-5 See KUAS thesis assessment criteria