

BUS 305 Management of Non-Profit Organizations (3 credit hours) Winter 2014

Class Schedule

Time: Tuesdays & Thursdays, 1:00 – 2:15 p.m.

Location: Room A2141

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Course Description & Objectives

There are an estimated 165,000 nonprofits and charitable organizations in Canada. Nonprofits are an important part of our society, operate in many diverse areas of our economy, and are important for the initiation and implementation of many government programs and services. It has been recognized that one of the biggest issues facing the nonprofit sector today is the quality of management. Nonprofits are faced with a multitude of challenges and the leaders of today's nonprofits must be prepared to face a complex environment that is rapidly changing on many fronts.

This course is designed to provide current and future nonprofit managers and leaders with an overview of a range of nonprofit management concerns and practices. Course projects and discussions expand students' management skills, analytical tools, and knowledge. Students take the perspectives of nonprofit managers, volunteers, board members, policy makers, donors, and clients. This course is built on the assumption that students learn more if they are actively engaged with the material. Exercises and discussions allow students to test knowledge, formulate ideas and strategies, respond to management dilemmas, and get immediate feedback from classmates and the instructor.

Course Objectives

Upon successful completion of this course, students can expect to have:

- General understanding of nonprofit organizations in the Canadian context
- Knowledge of nonprofit leadership and management
- Hands-on experience in analyzing management dilemmas and proposing responses
- Overview of social innovation and entrepreneurship

Textbook and Readings

Murray, V. (2009). The management of non-profit and charitable organizations in Canada (2nd ed.). Markham, ON: LexisNexis.

Broadbent, A. and Omidvar, R. (2011). Five good ideas: Practical strategies for non-profit success. Toronto, ON: Coach House Press.

Additional assigned readings (TBD)

Course Requirements & Evaluation

Course grading and evaluation will be conducted according to the following:

Group Case Study	15%
 The grade will be based 65% on report; 35% on presentation 	
Individual Case Study	45%
 Case study briefing notes (eight briefing notes worth 3% each 	
for a total of 24%)	
 Final editing and compilation (6%) 	
Analysis (10%)	
Presentation (5%)	
Midterm Quiz	10%
Final Exam (comprehensive)	25%
Class Participation/Attendance	5%

Note: To pass the course, students must achieve an overall grade of at least 50% and must earn a combined passing grade on the non-group work elements of the course. All assignments are due in Moodle by the time indicated in the Weekly Reading and Assignment Schedule. Late assignments will lose 15% per day late. Assignments will not be accepted more than 3 days late.

Group Case Study:

There will be a group case study that will introduce and highlight the case study method, and in so doing, bring further depth to the lecture and reading material.

The case study will involve a written report and a concise 8-minute, in-class presentation. The written report should be between 7-8 pages, 12-point font, 1½ line spacing, 1-inch margins, plus a bibliography or works cited page, and demonstrate critical thinking and professionalism. That is, they should be thoughtful, clear, and free of grammatical mistakes. When citing your external sources, please use the APA or MLA writing styles.

The in-class presentation should summarize your analysis and recommendations for that project. There is no need to cover all the elements included in your written report. When making presentations, groups should also allow an additional few minutes to field questions, comments, or debate from the class. The presentation should be informative and interesting; try to make your presentation a learning experience for the class.

Individual Case Study:

To gain a more hands-on perspective of the lecture and reading material, students will incrementally create their own case study by contacting a charity or non-profit organization of their own choice (e.g., social service, cultural, or Christian ministry). Using key chapters from the Murray and Broadbent textbooks, students will prepare eight 2-page briefing notes addressing a different area of focus (see list below). For each briefing note, you must clearly indicate your source of information, whether it is your observations and analysis, or discussion with organizational personnel, data collected from the organization or any other sources. When citing your external sources, please use the APA or MLA writing styles. As noted earlier, each of these briefing notes is worth 3% for a total of 24%.

Students will then edit and compile all eight briefing notes to write a cohesive, unified case study of the organization. This should be a stand alone, 16-18 page case study that does not provide any assessment of the organization. The final case study (i.e., the edited compilation of the eight segments) is worth 6%.

Following this, students will conduct an analysis of the organization using the case study method demonstrated through the group case study. This final analysis will result in a separate, 6-7 page report worth 10%.

Students will present a brief summary of their analysis to the class through an 8-minute presentation. The presentation is worth 5%.

Case Study Briefing Notes:

- 1. Organizational Profile/Scenario
- 2. Organizational Overview and History
- 3. Board Governance
- 4. Organizational Leadership and Strategic Planning
- 5. Managing Staff and Volunteers
- 6. Resource Development
- 7. Communications and Community Relations
- 8. Financial Management, Assessment, and Reporting

Modified Case Study Method Analysis (adapted from the case study method outline posted in Moodle, see outline for more details):

- Key Issues (.5 pages)
- Sector Analysis (.5 1 page)
- SWOT Analysis (2 pages)
- Alternatives (2 pages)
- Recommendation (1 page)
- Conclusion (.5 pages)

Note: you will be using a modified case study method for the individual case study. Because you are also creating and writing the case study, there is no need to re-do sections like the overview and organizational analysis. I am also not requiring the stakeholder analysis or implementation sections.

Grading Rubric - Briefing Notes

Rubric Criteria	Excelling	Accomplished	Developing	Beginning
(weight)	(4.5 - 4.75 - 5 pts.)	(3.75 - 4 - 4.25 pts.)	(3 - 3.25 - 3.5 pts.)	(0 - 1.25 - 2.5 pts.)
Accuracy and	The content of the	The content	The content	The content
Clarity of Factual	briefing note accurately	mostly reflects	somewhat	generally does
Information	reflects what is taking	what is taking	reflects what is	not reflect what
(35%)	place within the	place within the	taking place	is taking place
	organization. All	organization. Most	within the	within the
	statements are	statements are	organization.	organization.
	attributed to	attributed to the	Some statements	Statements are
	appropriate individuals	appropriate	are attributed to	not attributed to
	who are well positioned	individual or to	the appropriate	the appropriate
	to offer their	recent print or	individual or to	individual or to
	perspective or to recent	web-based	recent print or	recent print or
	print or web-based	documents. The	web-based	web-based
	materials originating	information is	documents. The	documents. The
	from the organization.	largely clear and	information is	information is
	The information is	mostly represents	somewhat clear	somewhat vague
	clearly and factually	facts rather than	but represents a	and represents a
	represented rather than	opinion or	mixture of fact	more opinion
	offering opinion or	assessment.	and opinion/	and assessment
	assessment.		assessment.	rather than fact.

Contextual Link to Theory and/or Literature (35%)	The content links back to theory and/or literature covered in the course. The content specifically and thoroughly addresses the intended focus for the particular briefing note.	The content mostly links back to theory and/or literature covered in the course. The content generally addresses the intended focus for the particular briefing note.	The content occasionally links back to theory and/or literature covered in the course. The content somewhat addresses the intended focus for the particular briefing note.	The content does not link back to theory and/or literature covered in the course. The content does not address the intended focus for the particular briefing note.
Structure and Organization (15%)	Structure of the briefing note is very clear and easy to follow. Transitions maintain an overall flow throughout the note. Conclusion is logical and flows from the rest of the argument.	Structure is mostly clear and easy to follow. Transitions largely maintain the flow throughout the briefing note. Conclusion is logical, and for the most part, flows from the rest of the argument.	Structure of the briefing note is not easy to follow. Transitions need much improvement. Conclusion is missing, or if provided, does not flow from the rest of the argument.	Organization and structure detract from the message of the briefing note. Points are disjointed and lack transition of thoughts. Ideas are not organized around a central idea.
Mechanics (15%)	Briefing note demonstrates mastery over the basics in sentence completeness, structure, variety, word choice, punctuation, and writing style (i.e., APA or MLA). Language is clear and precise. All arguments are properly cited.	Briefing note displays good control over mechanics, although some areas may still need sentence- level revision. Minor errors do not detract from readability of the work. Most arguments are properly cited.	Briefing note shows that mechanics are an area of concern. Note contains a moderate number of grammatical, punctuation, spelling, and writing style errors. Some arguments are properly cited.	Briefing note lacks basic control over mechanics and contains excessive proof- reading errors. Arguments are not properly cited.

Grading Rubric – Written Reports

Rubric Criteria	Excelling	Accomplished	Developing	Beginning
(weight)	(4.5 - 4.75 - 5 pts.)	(3.75 - 4 - 4.25 pts.)	(3 - 3.25 - 3.5 pts.)	(0 - 1.25 - 2.5 pts.)
Purpose and	The written document	The written	The written	The written
Content (30%)	has a well-developed	document has a	document has	document is
	and supported thesis.	workable thesis.	some elements of	lacking in
	The assignment	Arguments are	a thesis but it is	elements
	demonstrates excellent	mostly supported.	largely	required with
	development of	The assignment	undeveloped or	many gaps in the
	subsequent ideas and	contains adequate	unclear.	information

	focuses on relevant	evidence to	Arguments are	presented.
	details. Clearly explained	support its claims,	somewhat	Arguments are
	examples support the	and would benefit	supported. The	not supported.
	claims and topic is	from more	arguments are	The assignment
	thoroughly researched.	research and	somewhat	needs more
		development of	developed but	details on every
		relevant points.	lack sufficient	level (main ideas,
			evidence or	specific ideas,
			contain irrelevant	and examples).
			details.	
Critical Thinking	Goes above and beyond	Raises all the key	Raises some of	Does not address
(30%)	identifying the most	issues and	the key issues and	the key issues
	obvious issues and	identifies relevant	Identifies limited	and does not
	arguments and raises	arguments (largely	number of	identify counter-
	intriguing issues that are	the most obvious	arguments, not all	arguments.
	well supported.	ones) and their	of which are	Ignores or
	Challenges existing	pros and cons.	relevant. Offers	superficially
	assumptions.	Offers thorough	limited analyses	evaluates
	Thoughtfully and	analyses and	and evaluations	alternative points
	thoroughly analyzes and	evaluations of the	of alternative	of view.
	evaluates alternative	major points of	points of view.	
	(beyond the major)	view.		
	points of view			
Structure and	Structure of the	Structure is mostly	Structure of the	Organization and
Organization	assignment is very clear	clear and easy to	assignment is not	structure detract
(20%)	and easy to follow.	follow. Transitions	easy to follow.	from the
	Transitions maintain an	largely maintain	Transitions need	message of the
	overall flow throughout	the flow	much	assignment.
	the assignment.	throughout the	improvement.	Points are
	Conclusion is logical and	assignment.	Conclusion is	disjointed and
	flows from the rest of	Conclusion is	missing, or if	lack transition of
	the argument.	logical, and for the	provided, does	thoughts. Ideas
		most part, flows	not flow from the	are not organized
		from the rest of	rest of the	around a central
		the assignment.	assignment.	idea.
Mechanics (20%)	Paper demonstrates	Paper displays	Paper shows that	Paper lacks basic
	mastery over the basics	good control over	mechanics are an	control over
	in sentence	mechanics,	area of concern.	mechanics and
	completeness, structure,	although some	Assignment	contains
	variety, word choice,	areas may still	contains a	excessive proof-
	punctuation, and writing	need sentence-	moderate	reading errors.
	style (i.e., APA or MLA).	level revision.	number of	Arguments are
	Language is clear and	Minor errors do	grammatical,	not properly
	precise. All arguments	not detract from	punctuation,	cited.
	are properly cited.	readability of the	spelling, and	
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		arguments are	errors. Some	
		properly cited.	arguments are	
		1 -1: - 1/	properly cited.	
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Grading Rubric – Group Presentations

Rubric Criteria (weight)	Excelling (4.5 - 4.75 - 5 pts.)	Accomplished (3.75 - 4 - 4.25 pts.)	Developing (3 - 3.25 - 3.5 pts.)	Beginning (0 - 1.25 - 2.5 pts.)
Communication	Oral presentation	Oral presentation	Oral	Oral presentation
and Delivery	delivered with clear,	delivered with	presentation	delivered with
(25%)	confident, well-paced	clear, mostly	delivered with	subdued voice
	voice(s) so that all	confident voice(s)	subdued voice	that may also be
	audience members can	so that most	that may also be	too slow or too
	hear presentation.	audience members	too slow or too	fast. Audience
	Awareness of audience	can hear	fast. Audience	members at back
	demonstrated through	presentation.	members have	of class have
	physical presence and	Awareness of	some difficulty	difficulty hearing.
	eye contact (seldom	audience partially	hearing. Sense of	Unfocused sense
	referring to notes).	demonstrated	audience wavers	of audience (e.g.
	Generate(s) significant	through physical	(e.g.	looks only at
	enthusiasm about topic.	presence and eye	presentation	notes or away
	Presenters show	contact (frequently	largely read from	from audience).
	significant interest in	referring to notes).	notes with little	Generates little or
	topic.	Generates some	eye contact).	no interest about
		interest about	Generates little	topic. Presenters
		topic. Presenters	interest about	lack interest in
		largely show	topic. Presenters	topic.
		interest in topic.	show some	
Cuantivity	Duna ambabian ia maada	A ====d ==+===== :=	interest in topic.	Little attendatte
Creativity and	Presentation is made	A good attempt is	Little attempt to	Little attempt to
Graphics (25%)	insightfully, creatively or	made to provide	provide insight	provide insight or
	skillfully. Innovatively or	insight or creativity to the	or creativity to the	creativity.
	expertly prepared graphics used	presentation.	presentation.	Graphics not used or do support text
	throughout the entire	Graphics largely	Graphics seldom	and presentation.
	presentation. They also	used throughout	used. They	and presentation.
	explain and reinforce	presentation and	seldom support	
	the text and	relate to the text	the text and	
	presentation.	and presentation.	presentation.	
Structure,	Information presented	Information	Structure of the	Lack of structure
Organization,	in a very logical,	presented in a	presentation is	detracts from
and Mechanics	interesting sequence	mostly logical	not easy to	message of
(25%)	which audience can	sequence which	follow.	presentation.
	follow. Conclusion flows	audience can	Conclusion is	Points are
	from the rest of the	mostly follow.	missing, or if	disjointed and
	presentation.	Conclusion largely	provided, does	lack transition of
	Presentation has no	flows from the rest	not flow from	thoughts.
	misspellings,	of the	the rest of the	Presentation has
	grammatical errors, or	presentation.	presentation.	more than six
	formatting errors.	Presentation has	Presentation has	misspellings,
		no more than	between four to	grammatical
		three misspellings,	five misspellings,	errors, or
		grammatical	grammatical	formatting errors
		errors, or	errors, or	
		formatting errors.	formatting	
			errors.	

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Critique of Other	Group members provide	Group members	Group members	Group members
Group's	thoughtful analysis,	provide some	provide	provide no
Presentation/	evaluation, and	analysis,	insubstantial	analysis,
Subject	feedback of analysis and	evaluation, and	analysis,	evaluation, or
Knowledge	recommendations	feedback of	evaluation, and	feedback of
(25%)	regarding other groups'	analysis and	feedback of	analysis and
	presentations.	recommendations.	analysis and	recommendations
	Presenter(s)	Presenter(s) is/are	recommendatio	
	demonstrate(s) full	at ease with	ns.	Presenter(s)
	knowledge (more than	expected answers	Presenter(s)	do/does not have
	required) by answering	to all questions,	is/are	grasp of
	all class questions with	but fail(s) to	uncomfortable	information;
	explanations and	elaborate.	with information	presenter(s)
	elaboration.		and is/are able	cannot answer
			to answer only	questions about
			rudimentary	subject.
			questions.	

Grading Rubric – Individual Presentations

Rubric Criteria (weight)	Excelling (4.5 - 4.75 - 5 pts.)	Accomplished (3.75 - 4 - 4.25 pts.)	Developing (3 - 3.25 - 3.5 pts.)	Beginning (0 - 1.25 - 2.5 pts.)
Communication	Oral presentation	Oral presentation	Oral	Oral presentation
and Delivery	delivered with clear,	delivered with	presentation	delivered with
(35%)	confident, well-paced	clear, mostly	delivered with	subdued voice
(3370)	voice(s) so that all	confident voice(s)	subdued voice	that may also be
	audience members can	so that most	that may also be	too slow or too
		audience members	too slow or too	fast. Audience
	hear presentation.			
	Awareness of audience	can hear	fast. Audience	members at back
	demonstrated through	presentation.	members have	of class have
	physical presence and	Awareness of	some difficulty	difficulty hearing.
	eye contact (seldom	audience partially	hearing. Sense of	Unfocused sense
	referring to notes).	demonstrated	audience wavers	of audience (e.g.
	Generate(s) significant	through physical	(e.g.	looks only at
	enthusiasm about topic.	presence and eye	presentation	notes or away
	Presenters show	contact (frequently	largely read from	from audience).
	significant interest in	referring to notes).	notes with little	Generates little or
	topic.	Generates some	eye contact).	no interest about
		interest about	Generates little	topic. Presenters
		topic. Presenters	interest about	lack interest in
		•		
		largely show	topic. Presenters	topic.
		interest in topic.	show some	
			interest in topic.	

Creativity and	Presentation is made	A good attempt is	Little attempt to	Little attempt to
Graphics (35%)	insightfully, creatively or	made to provide	provide insight	provide insight or
	skillfully. Innovatively or	insight or creativity	or creativity to	creativity.
	expertly prepared	to the	the	Graphics not used
	graphics used	presentation.	presentation.	or do support text
	throughout the entire	Graphics largely	Graphics seldom	and presentation.
	presentation. They also	used throughout	used. They	·
	explain and reinforce	presentation and	seldom support	
	the text and	relate to the text	the text and	
	presentation.	and presentation.	presentation.	
Structure,	Information presented	Information	Structure of the	Lack of structure
Organization,	in a very logical,	presented in a	presentation is	detracts from
and Mechanics	interesting sequence	mostly logical	not easy to	message of
(30%)	which audience can	sequence which	follow.	presentation.
	follow. Conclusion flows	audience can	Conclusion is	Points are
	from the rest of the	mostly follow.	missing, or if	disjointed and
	presentation.	Conclusion largely	provided, does	lack transition of
	Presentation has no	flows from the rest	not flow from	thoughts.
	misspellings,	of the	the rest of the	Presentation has
	grammatical errors, or	presentation.	presentation.	more than six
	formatting errors.	Presentation has	Presentation has	misspellings,
		no more than	between four to	grammatical
		three misspellings,	five misspellings,	errors, or
		grammatical	grammatical	formatting errors
		errors, or	errors, or	
		formatting errors.	formatting	
			errors.	

Group Work Evaluations:

All group members are expected to make significant contributions to their group's effort (see "Group Work in the Business Program"). To help ensure that grades accurately reflect the student's level of contribution, each student must submit a group evaluation form (available on the Moodle site) by 11:59 p.m. of the day of the group presentation that will assess the relative contribution of each group member for each business case assignment. These evaluations will be taken into account when assigning individual grades for the group projects.

Based on this self and peer evaluation, when an individual student receives an average evaluation score lower than the average group evaluation score, the professor has the discretion to adjust grades for group work (both the written and presentation components).

Clearly, the goal is not to callously adjust downward fellow student's grades. The purpose of the group work is to encourage involvement by all team members. How team dynamics unfold will vary by group. Some team members may be gifted in the area of delivering presentations; others more gifted conducting analysis and research. Regardless of one's gifting, the emphasis is to creatively bring together the group members' unique gifts and abilities to fashion together a new whole. As noted, the grade adjustment is at the discretion of the professor.

Minor differences in individual evaluation scores will likely not result in any adjustments to individual grades.

Note: Failure to submit the group work evaluation form may result in a student not receiving a grade for the case study.

Grading Rubric – Group Work

Rubric Criteria	Excelling	Accomplished	Developing	Beginning
(weight)	(4.5 - 4.75 - 5 pts.)	(3.75 - 4 - 4.25 pts.)	(3 - 3.25 - 3.5 pts.)	(0 - 1.25 - 2.5 pts.)
Workload and	Always shares tasks	Does almost as	Does	Does very little;
Meeting	equally with group	much as others;	considerably less	seldom works
Deadlines (50%)	members; consistently	mostly does work	than others;	when asked;
	does work when asked;	when asked;	occasionally	seldom asks for
	works hard consistently.	mostly asks for	does work when	help. Seldom
	Always completes	help. Mostly	asked;	completes
	assigned tasks on time.	completes	occasionally asks	assigned tasks on
		assigned tasks on	for help.	time; late input
		time; late input	Occasionally	impacts project
		does not affect	completes	quality.
		project quality.	assigned tasks	
			on time; late	
			input somewhat	
			affects project	
			quality.	
Contribution	Input (such as discussion	Input is mostly of	Input is	Input is seldom of
Quality (35%)	at group meetings,	high quality.	occasionally of	high quality.
Quality	research and analysis,		high quality.	
(depending upon	writing, and			
context) is	presentation			
exemplified, but	preparation) is always of			
not limited to,	high quality.			
the following:				
pursues				
thoughtful and				
rigorous				
research,				
analyzes relevant				
issues, builds on				
others' ideas,				
synthesizes				
across readings				
and discussions,				
challenges				
assumptions and				
perspectives,				
expands the				
group's/class'				
perspective.				

Respecting	Always interacts with,	Mostly interacts	Occasionally	Seldom interacts
(15%)	encourages, listens to,	with, encourages,	interacts with,	with, encourages,
	and supports ideas of	listens to, and	encourages,	listens to, and
	others.	supports ideas of	listens to, and	supports ideas of
		others.	supports ideas of	others.
			others.	

Class Participation/Attendance:

A key component of your grade is participation during class time. Students are expected to attend all classes, having prepared for class by reading the assigned text chapters ahead of time, completing exercises (if assigned) in advance of inclass discussions, and then actively participate in these discussions. The skills needed to participate effectively in class and present your ideas are essentially the same skills required to participate effectively in the marketplace (either non-profit or fo-profit). The ability and willingness to speak up in front of others is an important skill for students to develop. If external circumstances or illness prevent you from attending or adequately preparing for a class, please let the professor know so that this can be taken into account, as repeated absences from class will negatively impact a student's individual participation grade.

Grading Rubric - Class Participation/Attendance

Rubric Criteria	Excelling	Accomplished	Developing	Beginning
(weight)	(4.5 - 4.75 - 5 pts.)	(3.75 - 4 - 4.25 pts.)	(3 - 3.25 - 3.5 pts.)	(1.5 - 2 - 2.5 pts.)
Attendance	Misses no more than	Misses three	Misses four	Misses five
(50%)	one class (5 pts.);	classes (4 pts).	classes (3 pts.)	classes (1.5
(excludes certain	misses two classes (4.5			pts.); misses
excused absences	pts.)			greater than
such as Ambrose				five classes (0
athletic teams				pts.)
out-of-town				
games but does				
not include				
practices)				
Group	Contributes great effort	Contributes good	Contributes	Seldom
Discussions and	to group discussions;	effort to group	occasionally to	contributes to
Contribution	shares thoughts and	discussions; mostly	group	group
Quality (50%)	ideas; is always	shares thoughts	discussions;	discussions;
Quality	prepared to respond to	and ideas; is	occasionally	seems
(depending upon	impromptu in-class	mostly prepared to	shares thoughts	disinterested; is
context) is	questions. Input is	respond to	and ideas; is	not prepared to
exemplified, but	always of high quality.	impromptu in-class	sometimes	respond to
not limited to, the		questions. Input is	prepared to	impromptu in-
following: pursues		mostly of high	respond to	class questions.
thoughtful and		quality.	impromptu in-	Input is seldom
rigorous lines of			class questions.	or not of high
discussion,			Input is	quality.
addresses			occasionally of	

relevant issues,		high quality.	
builds on others'			
ideas, synthesizes			
across readings			
and discussions,			
challenges			
assumptions and			
perspectives,			
expands the			
group's/class'			
perspective.			

Grading

The available letters for course grades are as follows:

% Grade	Letter Grade	Description
95% to 100%	A+	
90% to 94%	Α	Excellent
85% to 89%	A-	
80% to 84%	B+	
76% to 79%	В	Good
72% to 75%	B-	
68% to 71%	C+	
64% to 67%	С	Satisfactory
60% to 63%	C-	
55% to 59%	D+	
50% to 54%	D	Minimal Pass
0% to 49%	F	Failure

To pass the course, students must achieve an overall grade of at least 50% and as noted earlier, must earn a combined passing grade on the non-group work elements of the course. Failure to submit an assignment on the assigned date without legitimate reason (i.e. evidenced illness) or prior approval of the instructor may result in a failed grade for the course. In the case of legitimate or approved absence, and at the instructor's discretion, the assigned date may be rescheduled to a later date, or if this is not practically possible, the marks may be reallocated to other components of the course grade.

Examinations:

Final examinations are held during a scheduled time period at the end of the semester for regular semester classes and are scheduled by the Registrar. The final exam for this course is currently scheduled to be Thursday, April 17, 2014. Please note that the exam schedule is subject to change without notice.

Please note: Students may request revised final exams if they have three exams in one 24-hour period or two exams at the same time. Final exam schedule revision request forms are available at the Registrar's Office and must be handed in by Monday, March 3, 2014. If you do not have your request in by this date, all exams within a 24-hour period will have to be written as scheduled. If you have two exams at the same time, you will be given four hours to write both exams.

Graded final examinations will be available for supervised review at the request of the student. Please contact your instructor.

Please note that final grades will be available on the student portal. Printed grade sheets are no longer mailed out.

An appeal for change of grade on any course work must be made to the course instructor within one week of receiving notification of the grade. An appeal for change of final grade must be submitted to the Office of the Registrar in writing within 30 days of receiving notification of the final grade, providing the basis for appeal. A review fee of \$50.00 must accompany the appeal to review final grades. If the appeal is sustained, the fee will be refunded.

Important Notes/Dates:

The last day to enter a course without permission and /or voluntary withdrawal from a course without financial penalty (drop) – Sunday, January 19, 2014. These courses will not appear on the student's transcript. Courses should be added or dropped on the student portal by the deadline date.

Students may change the designation of any class from credit to audit, or drop out of the "audit" up to the "drop" date indicated above. After that date, the original status remains and the student is responsible for related fees. Please note that this is a new policy, that came into effect in the 2010-2011 academic year.

Withdrawal from courses after the Registration Revision period will not be eligible for tuition refund. The last day to voluntarily withdraw from a course without academic penalty (withdraw) – Friday, March 21, 2014. A grade of "W" will appear on the student's transcript.

Students wishing to withdraw from a course, but who fail to do so by the applicable date, will receive the grade earned in accordance with the course syllabus. A student obliged to withdraw from a course after the Withdrawal Deadline because of health or other reasons may apply to the Registrar for special consideration.

Electronic Etiquette

Students are expected to treat their instructor, guest speakers, and fellow students with respect. It is disruptive to the learning goals of a course or seminar and disrespectful to fellow students and the instructor to engage in electronically-enabled activities unrelated to the class during a class session. Please turn off all cell phones and other electronic devices during class. Laptops should be used for class-related purposes only. Please do not use iPods, MP3 players, or headphones. Do not text, read or send personal emails, go on Facebook or other social networks, search the internet, or play computer games during class. The professor has the right to disallow the student to use a laptop in future lectures and/or to ask a student to withdraw from the session if s/he does not comply with this policy. Repeat offenders

will be directed to the Dean. If you are expecting communication due to an emergency, please speak with the professor before the class begins.

Academic Policies

It is the responsibility of all students to become familiar with and adhere to academic policies as stated in the Student Handbook and Academic Calendar. Personal information, that is information about an individual that may be used to identify that individual, may be collected as a requirement as part of taking this class. Any information collected will only be used and disclosed for the purpose for which the collection was intended. For further information contact the Privacy Compliance Officer at privacy@ambrose.edu.

Extensions

Although extensions to coursework in the semester are at the discretion of the instructor, students may not turn in coursework for evaluation after the last day of the scheduled final examination period unless they have received permission for a "Course Extension" from the Registrar's Office. Requests for course extensions or alternative examination time must be submitted to the Registrar's Office by the appropriate deadline (as listed in the Academic Calendar http://www.ambrose.edu/publications/academiccalendar). Course extensions are only granted for serious issues that arise "due to circumstances beyond the student's control."

Academic Integrity

We are committed to fostering personal integrity and will not overlook breaches of integrity such as plagiarism and cheating. Academic dishonesty is taken seriously at Ambrose University College as it undermines our academic standards and affects the integrity of each member of our learning community. Any attempt to obtain credit for academic work through fraudulent, deceptive, or dishonest means is academic dishonesty. Plagiarism involves presenting someone else's ideas, words, or work as one's own. Plagiarism is fraud and theft, but plagiarism can also occur by accident when a student fails or forgets to give credit to another person's ideas or words. Plagiarism and cheating can result in a failing grade for an assignment, for the course, or immediate dismissal from the university college. Students are expected to be familiar with the policies in the current Academic Calendar and the Student Handbook that deal with plagiarism, cheating, and the penalties and procedures for dealing with these matters. All cases of academic dishonesty are reported to the Academic Dean and become part of the student's permanent record.

Students are strongly advised to retain this syllabus for their records.

BUS 305 Management of Nonprofit Organizations Weekly Reading and Assignment Schedule

Date	Class Topic/Chapter Title	Text chapters	Individual Case Study (Due in Moodle by 11:59 p.m.)
Jan 9 th	Course Overview		
Jan 14 th	Workshop: Preparing Case Studies (Group and Individual)		
Jan 16 th	Overview of nonprofit organizations	Murray 1	
Jan 21st	Nonprofit sector in Canada	Murray 2	
Jan 23 rd	Leading nonprofit organizations – Boards and governance – Part 1	Murray 3 Broadbent 7	
Jan 28 th	Leading nonprofit organizations – Boards and governance – Part 2		Briefing Note 1: Organizational Profile/Scenario
Jan 30 th	No Class (Community Day)		Briefing Note 2: Organizational Overview & History
Feb 4 th	Leading nonprofit organizations – Organizational leadership	Murray 4 Broadbent 1	
Feb 6 th	Leading nonprofit organizations – Strategic planning	Murray 8 Broadbent 2	Briefing Note 3: Board Governance
Feb 11 th	Managing nonprofit organizations – Human resources (paid staff and volunteers)	Murray 11 Broadbent 3	Briefing Note 4: Organizational Leadership and Strategic Planning
Feb 13 th	Midterm Quiz		
Feb 18 th	No Class (Mid-Semester Break)		
Feb 20 th	No Class (Mid-Semester Break)		
Feb 24 th	Assignment: Group case study written reports and presentations due in Moodle by 11:59 p.m.		
Feb 25 th	Group Case Study Presentations		
Feb 27 th	Case Study Review		

Mar 4 th	Managing nonprofit organizations – Resource Development	Murray 7 Broadbent 4	Briefing Note 5: Managing Staff and Volunteers
Mar 6 th	Managing nonprofit organizations – Communications – Part 1	Broadbent 5	
Mar 11 th	Managing nonprofit organizations – Communications – Part 2		Briefing Note 6: Resource Development
Mar 13 th	Managing nonprofit organizations – Community relations	Murray 6	
Mar 18th	Managing nonprofit organizations – Financial management	Murray 10	Briefing Note 7: Communications & Community Relations
Mar 20 th	Managing nonprofit organizations – Assessment and reporting	Murray 9	
Mar 25th	Social Innovation	Assigned Readings	Briefing Note 8: Financial Mgmt. Assessment, and Reporting
Mar 27th	Social Entrepreneurship	Assigned Readings	
Apr 1st	Future of the nonprofit sector in Canada	Assigned Readings	
Apr 2 nd	Assignment: Individual case study (compilation) and analysis report due in Moodle by 11:59 p.m.		
Apr 3 rd	Individual case study presentations – Day one		
Apr 8 th	Individual case study presentations – Day two		
April 10 th	Individual case study presentations – Day three Final exam review		
Apr 17 th	Final Exam (as scheduled by Registrar). Please note that the exam schedule is subject to change without notice		

Note: The dates and order of topics outlined in this schedule may be subject to change at the instructor's discretion throughout the term. Any changes will be communicated in advance.