QUALITY IMPROVEMENT
BUSN 2160

Class Hours: 3.0  Credit Hours: 3.0
Laboratory Hours: 0  Revised: June 8, 2017

Catalog Course Description
This course is an introduction to quality management as a system through the application of statistical process control, W. Edwards Deming’s management philosophy and various quality management techniques.

Entry Level Standards
The beginning student must be computer literate, competent in college level math, and must read at the college level.

Prerequisites
MGT 2000 or BUSN 2330

Textbook(s) and Other Course Materials

Week/Unit/Topic Basis

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Course Goals*

The course will

A. Enhance students understanding and knowledge of W. Edward Deming’s quality concept. (I,II)
B. Expand students’ knowledge of quality control history and current events. (I,II, VI, VII)
C. Teach students an adequate quality control vocabulary. (I,II,VI,VII)
D. Illustrate quality control evaluative methods. (III,V)
E. Demonstrate the importance of supply chain management. (I, II, VI, VII)
F. Explain the process of developing your employees. (I, II, VI, VII)
G. Describe the role of strategic planning as it refers to Quality Improvement. (I, II, VI, VII)
H. Demonstrate the importance of integrating the global business environment into quality control.

**Expected Student Learning Outcomes**

Students will be able to

1. Explain how statistical process control fits in to the quality management system.  A, B,C, D
2. Interpret the relationship between quality/productivity and world market competitiveness.  B, H
3. Evaluate the cost of quality.  A, B, C, D
4. Describe and analyze W. Edwards Deming’s 14 points of management and his quality management philosophy.  A, C
5. Summarize the history of quality control.  A, B, C
6. Summarize the history of team management.  A, B, C, F
7. Evaluate team management.  A, B, C, F
9. Compute and/or construct, analyze, and apply the following evaluative methods: C, D
   a. Flowcharts
   b. Operational Definitions
   c. Cause and Effect Diagrams
   d. Check Sheets
   e. Pareto Diagrams
   f. Histograms
   g. Run Charts
   h. Process mean, range, and standard deviation
   i. X-BAR and R and X-BAR and S variables control chart
10. Describe the Plan, Do, Study, Act continuous improvement cycle.  A, C, D
11. Evaluate rational subgrouping schemes.  C, D
12. Identify and evaluate process state of control.  C, D
13. Evaluate process capability.  C, D

*Capital letters after Expected Student Learning Outcomes reference the course goals listed above.*

**Evaluation**

**A. Testing Procedures: 50% of grade**
A minimum of two exams is recommended.
B. Laboratory Expectations: N/A

C. Field Work: N/A

D. Other Evaluation Methods: 50% of grade
Class participation, group work and homework will also comprise the final grade for the course. Each instructor must provide full details during the first week of class via a syllabus supplement.

E. Grading Scale:
   92 - 100    A
   89 - 91    B+
   82 - 88    B
   79 - 81    C+
   72 - 78    C
   65 - 71    D
Below 65    F

Policies

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• Purchasing or otherwise obtaining prewritten essays, research papers, or materials prepared by another person or agency that sells term papers or other academic materials to be presented as one’s own work.
• Taking an exam for another student.
• Providing others with information and/or answers regarding exams, quizzes, homework or other classroom assignments unless explicitly authorized by the instructor.
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