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Course Description: Strategic Management

1. Basic Information:

Course Name	Strategic Management
Course ID	BMN306
Contact Hours (Registered Sessions)	18
Contact Hours (Synchronized Sessions)	18
Mid Term Exam	-
Exam	75 min
Registered Sessions Work Load	18
Synchronized Session Work Load	18
Credit Hours	4

2. Pre-Requisites:

Course	ID
Introduction to Marketing	BMN202

3. Course General Objectives:

The purpose of this course is to provide students with fundamental concepts and tools that help them to identify and deal with strategies in organization. This can be done by understanding the fundamentals of strategic management and its stages, components, and its main obstacles. This module will identify the meaning of the organization's vision and mission, and environmental analysis: Internal and external analysis. Competitive structure and building competitive strategies will be studied along with strategic alternatives, choices, and organization's generic strategies. Strategy implementation and evaluation will be investigated and finally the field of information technology will be visited by understanding the role of strategy and its function in information technology companies.

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4. Intended Learning Outcomes (ILO):

Code	Intended Learning Outcomes
ILO1	Understand fundamental of strategic management and its roles, stages, and levels. In addition to realize the differences between strategy and plan, and to realize the main success factors along with obstacles that face strategy implementation.
ILO2	Understand the meaning of the organization's vision and mission, and identify their main elements. In addition to present the importance of strategy vision and mission and their stages and criteria.
ILO3	Analyze external environment and to identity its components, sorts, and the characteristics of environmental analysis and its classifications.
ILO4	Analyze internal environment and to identity its components and sorts. In addition to study the sources of information society and its approaches, along with the relationship between internal analysis and information failure.
ILO5	Give students necessary orientations to explore strategy types and to understand the main concepts of Porter's strategy model.
ILO6	Perceive the concept of strategic choice and its main environmental factors, and to understand strategy analysis methods and identifying the best strategy mix.
ILO7	Enlarge the students' perception of strategic alternative and generic strategies, and to understand the process of choosing strategic alternatives.
ILO8	Understand strategy implementation and its requirements, approaches, and its obstacles. In addition, to perceive Mackenzie model of effective strategic implementation.
ILO9	Recognize strategy evaluation process, and to identify its levels, characteristics, types, and the main obstacles that face strategy evaluation.
ILO10	Enlarge students comprehension of information technology systems, and identify its importance, requirements, and characteristics. To integrate strategic management and strategic information system.

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5.Course Syllabus (18 hours of total synchronized sessions;18 hours of total Recorded Sessions)

- **RS:** Recorded Sessions; **SS:** Synchronized Sessions;

ILO	Course Syllabus	RS	S S	Type	Additional Notes
ILO1	The Nature of Strategic Management <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is Strategy? 2. Strategic Management Definition 3. Development of Strategic Management 4. Three components of Strategy 5. Stages of Strategic Management 6. Levels of Strategic Management 7. Strategic Decision 8. Strategy and plan 9. Obstacles of Strategic Management 10. Success Factors of Strategic Management Implementation 	1.5	1.5	<input type="checkbox"/> Exercises (TD) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assignments <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Seminars <input type="checkbox"/> Projects <input type="checkbox"/> Practices <input type="checkbox"/> Others	
ILO2	Organization Vision and Mission <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Strategic Vision Concept 2. Importance of Strategic Vision 3. Elements Strategic Vision 	1.5	1.5	<input type="checkbox"/> Exercises (TD) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assignments <input type="checkbox"/> Seminars	

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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Mission Concept and Its Importance 5. The Importance of Clear Mission 6. Steps of Mission setting 7. Factors affecting Mission setting 8. Criteria of Good Mission 9. The relationship between organization's Mission and Philosophy 			<input type="checkbox"/> Projects <input type="checkbox"/> Practices <input type="checkbox"/> Others <input type="checkbox"/>	
ILO3	<p>Analyzing External environment</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. External Environments and its Elements. 2. Importance of External Environment Study 3. Information Types of Environmental Scanning 4. Information Environment Characteristics 5. Environmental Scanning Dimensions 6. External Environment Classifications General and Task Environment 	1.5	1. 5	<input type="checkbox"/> Exercises (TD) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assignments <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Seminars <input type="checkbox"/> Projects <input type="checkbox"/> Practices <input type="checkbox"/> Others	

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ILO4	Analyzing Internal Environment 1. Internal Analysis Concept 2. Importance of Internal Environmental Analysis 3. Internal Environment Elements 4. Information Society Resources 5. Internal Analysis Approaches 6. Internal Analysis and Information Failure	1.5	1.5	<input type="checkbox"/> Exercises (TD) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assignments <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Seminars <input type="checkbox"/> Projects <input type="checkbox"/> Practices <input type="checkbox"/> Others <input type="checkbox"/>	
ILO5	Competitive Structure and Competitive Strategies 1. Porter Model of Industry Analysis 2. Competitive Strategies Best 3. Competitive Strategies	3	3	<input type="checkbox"/> Exercises (TD) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assignments <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Seminars <input type="checkbox"/> Projects <input type="checkbox"/> Practices <input type="checkbox"/> Others <input type="checkbox"/>	
ILO6	Strategic Choices 1. Strategic Choices Definitions 2. Environment Factors Affecting Strategic Choice 3. Strategic Choices Tools 4. The Best Strategic Choice	1.5	1.5	<input type="checkbox"/> Exercises (TD) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assignments <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Seminars <input type="checkbox"/> Projects <input type="checkbox"/> Practices <input type="checkbox"/> Others <input type="checkbox"/>	
ILO7	Strategic Alternatives and Generic Strategies	3	3	<input type="checkbox"/> Exercises (TD)	

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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Defining Strategic Alternatives and Its Importance 2. Generic Strategies at Business Level 3. Choosing and Evaluating Strategic Alternatives 4. Strategic Alternative Models 			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assignments <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Seminars <input type="checkbox"/> Projects <input type="checkbox"/> Practices <input type="checkbox"/> Others <input type="checkbox"/>	
ILO8	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Strategy Implementation 2. Strategy Implementation: Concept and Importance 3. Strategy Implementation Requirements 4. Managerial Systems Supporting Strategy Implementation 5. Choosing Strategy Implementation Approach 6. Strategy Implementation Problems 7. Causes of Strategy Implementation Failure 8. Mackenzie Model of Strategy Implementation 	1.5	1.5	<input type="checkbox"/> Exercises (TD) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assignments <input type="checkbox"/> Seminars <input type="checkbox"/> Practices <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Projects <input type="checkbox"/> Others	
ILO9	<p>Strategy Control and Evaluation</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Strategic Control Concept 2. Importance of Strategic Control 	1.5	1.5	<input type="checkbox"/> Exercises (TD) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assignments <input type="checkbox"/> Seminars	

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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Strategic Control Objective and Evaluation 4. Levels of Strategic Control 5. Steps of Strategic Control 6. Characteristics of Effective Strategic Control System 7. Types of Strategic Control Systems 8. Strategic Control Styles 9. Strategy Evaluation 10. Obstacles of Strategy Evaluation 			<input type="checkbox"/> Practices <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Projects <input type="checkbox"/> Others	
ILO10	Strategic Management for Information Systems & Technology <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Concept of Strategic Information System 2. Strategic Information 3. The Importance of Strategic Information System 4. Strategic Characteristics for Information Systems 5. Organizational & Technological for Strategic Information Systems 6. Strategic Use for Information 7. Systems 	1.5	1.5	<input type="checkbox"/> Exercises (TD) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assignments <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Seminars <input type="checkbox"/> Practices <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Projects <input type="checkbox"/> Others	

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	<p>8. Strategic Planning for Information Resources</p> <p>9. The Relationship between Internet & Strategy</p> <p>10. Integration Strategic Management & Strategic Information System</p> <p>11. Obstacles of Strategic Management for Information Technology & Systems</p>				
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6. Assessment Criteria (Related to ILOs)

ISC	Interactive Synchronized Collaboration	Ex	Exams	Rpt	Reports
PF2F	Presentations and Face-to-Face Assessments	PW	Practice Work		

ILO Code	ILO	Intended Results	Assessment Type				
			ISC	PW	Ex	PF2F	Rpt
ILO1	Understand fundamental of strategic management and its roles, stages, and levels. In addition to realize the differences between strategy and plan, and realize the main		X		X		

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	success factors along with obstacles that face strategy implementation.						
ILO2	Understand the meaning of the organization's vision and mission, and identify their main elements. In addition to present the importance of strategy vision and mission and their stages and criteria.		X		X		X
ILO3	Analyze external environment and to identify its components, sorts, and the characteristics of environmental analysis and its classifications.		X		X		X
ILO4	Analyze internal environment and to identify its components and sorts. In addition to study the sources of information society and its approaches, along with the relationship between internal analysis and information failure.		X		X		X
ILO5	Give students necessary orientations to explore strategy types and to understand the		X		X		X

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	main concepts of Porter's strategy model.						
ILO6	Perceive the concept of strategic choice and its main environmental factors, and to understand strategy analysis methods and identifying the best strategy mix.		X		X		X
ILO7	Enlarge the students' perception of strategic alternative and generic strategies, and to understand the process of choosing strategic alternatives.		X		X		X
ILO8	Understand strategy implementation and its requirements, approaches, and its obstacles. In addition, to perceive Mackenzie model of effective strategic implementation.		X		X		X
ILO9	Recognize strategy evaluation process, and to identify its levels, characteristics, types, and the main obstacles that face strategy evaluation.		X		X		X
ILO10	Enlarge students comprehension of information technology		X		X		X

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	systems, and identify its importance, requirements, and characteristics. To integrate strategic management and strategic information system.						
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7. Practice Tools:

Tool Name	Description

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