B734 C01

International Entrepreneurship

Fall 2020 Course Outline

# Course Objective

Entrepreneurship is a heterogeneous phenomenon. It involves people with a wide range of experiences, backgrounds, and academic and practical experience. Bringing together teams of graduate students from different academic orientations to explore the development of new ventures is one of the goals of this particular course. A secondary goal is to explore the theoretical and empirical study of entrepreneurship, entrepreneurship promotion, development, support, and life-cycle. This will allow students to draw on current theoretical frameworks to their future entrepreneurial activities, through familiarity with what research says is most typical, effective, and characteristic for new venture development.

No single way exists to start, develop and manage a business. In this course students will be exposed to the challenges and hurdles entrepreneurs face when developing a new business. Students in this course will be presented with both the strengths and weaknesses of conventional business planning, while the course itself will focus primarily on research activities and contingency planning.

Regardless of your future plans and hopes, this class can benefit you regarding how you think and act, from an entrepreneurial perspective. The class consists of learning about risk and failure, and growing from the experience. It is about learning to forge your ideas into workable business concepts, research them, commit them to paper, and present them in a way to be tested to the demands of the market. Students must write at a top level, argue the potential of their ideas, and convince people like bankers, CEO’s, CFO’s, angel investors, and others that their ideas are worth being born in the marketplace.

# Instructor and Contact Information

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| **Class Times:** Thursdays 8:30-11:20pm | |
| **Virtual Office Hours:** By appointment | |

# Course Delivery

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| **Learning ACTIVITies** | **Delivery** | **DESCRIPTION** | **TOOL(S)** |
| **Self-Study** | Asynch | Readings | **Library and other sources**  At your own time during the week |
| **Virtual Class** | Synch | Live sessions led by your instructor | **Zoom**  At class times |
| **Projects** | Asynch | Course assignments, simulation | **Group meetings**  At your own time during the week |

# Course Elements

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| Credit Value: | 3 | Leadership: | Yes | IT skills: | No | Global view: | Yes |
| Avenue: | No | Ethics: | Yes | Numeracy: | No | Written skills: | Yes |
| Participation: | Yes | Innovation: | Yes | Group work: | Yes | Oral skills: | Yes |
| Evidence-based: | Yes | Experiential: | No | Final Exam: | No | Guest speaker(s): | Yes |

# Course Description

This course examines issues associated with mounting entrepreneurial ventures from a heterogeneous university base and addresses such concerns as intellectual property, marketing, strategic human resources, raising capital, and starting and growing a business in that context. The course is open to students from all faculties as McMaster and provides an opportunity to develop networks for accessing varied resources for entrepreneurial ventures.

# Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to do the following:

* Examine the totality of a business proposal for internal or external use, including the concept of the Contingency Business Plan,
* Understand the various complexities, challenges and issues related to entrepreneurs/intrapreneurs and business formation, including environmental characteristics of the entrepreneurial firm, and,
* Develop diagnostic skills and a conceptual framework for new business management problems through readings, discussions and case analyses.

# Required Course Materials and Readings

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| Required material consists of one inexpensive but important book (available as an e-book), 7 cases that are cheaper to buy if you purchase them directly from the internet as a case pack (rather than the bookstore) and relevant journal articles available for free from our library. In addition, each student will also participate in a simulation, with a per-student cost.  Komisar, R. (2000). The Monk and the Riddle. Boston: Harvard Business School Press.  Kindle Price: **$9.99** includes free international wireless delivery via ***Amazon Whispernet***  **The following cases are required (see link below to obtain them @ approx. $4 per case):**   1. VEJA Sneakers with a conscience (Ivey 910M89) 2. The Mark News (9B10M056) 3. Rwanda Backpacker 4. Luminar: Leveraging big data using corporate entrepreneurship (8B14M063) 5. MedImmune Ventures 6. A new vision for the Stratford Festival (Ivey W17768) 7. Preserve: Growing a Sustainable Consumer Goods Company   Here is the link for the case pack through Harvard: <https://hbsp.harvard.edu/import/758875>  **How to register for the simulation**  Go to <http://www.edumundolicence.co.uk/> and pick the McMaster course option. Each student must purchase a license (i.e. not per team). You will organize into teams once you have each purchased a license for the simulation.  **Required Readings** (all available for free online from our library):  Alvarez, S. A., & Barney, J. B. (2007). Discovery and Creation: Alternative Theories of Entrepreneurial Action. *Strategic Entrepreneurship Journal, 1*, 11-26.  Chesbrough, H. (2007), Business model innovation: it's not just about technology anymore, *Strategy & Leadership*, Vol. 35: 6 pp.12 - 17.  Drori, I., & Honig, B. (2013). A Process Model of Internal and External Legitimacy. *Organization Studies, 34*, 345-376.  Gartner, W. B., Starr, J. A., & Bhat, S. (1998). Predicting New Venture Survival: An Analysis of "Anatomy of a Start-Up." Cases from INC. Magazine. *Journal of Business Venturing, 14*, 215-232.  Honig, B. (2001). Learning Strategies and Resources for Entrepreneurs and Intrapreneurs. *Entrepreneurship Theory & Practice, 26*(1), 21-35.  Honig, B. (2004). Entrepreneurship Education: Toward a model of contingency-based business planning. *Academy of Management Learning and Education, 3*(3), 258-273.  Macmillan, I. C., Siegel, R., & Narasimha, P. S. (1985). Criteria Used by Venture Capitalists to Evaluate New Venture Proposals. *Journal of Business Venturing, 1*, 119-128.  Mair, J., & Marti, I. (2006). Social Entrepreneurship research: A source of explanation, prediction, and delight. *Journal of World Business*, 36-44.  Sarasvathy, S. D. (2001). Causation and Effectuation: Toward a Theoretical shift from economic inevitability to entrepreneurial contingency. *Academy of Management Review, 26*(2), 243-263.  Schumpeter, J. A. (1947). The Creative Response in Economic History. *The Journal of Economic History, 7*(2), 149-159.  Spors, K. K. (2007, January 9). Enterprise: Do Start-ups really need Formal Business Plans? . *The Wall Street Journal*, p. B9.  Sutton, R., & Hargadon, A. (1996). Brainstorming Groups in Context: Effectiveness in a Product Design Firm. *Administrative Science Quarterly, 41*(4), 685-718.  Zacharakis, A. L., & Meyer, G. D. (1998). A lack of Insight: Do Venture Capitalists Really Understand Their Own Decision Process? *Journal of Business Venturing, 13*, 57-76.  **Supplemental Readings:**  A Sample Business Plan Truckit Now.com (HBS 9-801-151)  Can You Survive an Entrepreneur (HBS 9-484-081)  Managing innovation: Controlled chaos, Quinn (HBR May-June 85)  How can big companies keep the entrepreneurial spirit alive? DeSimone (HBR Nov-Dec 95)  How to write a winning business plan, Rich and Gumpert (HBR May-June 85)  Bowen; Hisrich. 1986. The Female Entrepreneur: A Career Development Perspective, Vol 11, *Academy of Management Review.*  <https://www.khanacademy.org/college-careers-more/entrepreneurship2/interviews-entrepreneurs> |

# Evaluation

## Components and Weights

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| Group participation (you need to be a good group member!) | 10 |
| Entrepreneurship Self-Assessment paper (final individual assignment) | 15 |
| Personal evaluation of simulation exercise (individual assignment) | 10 |
| Entrepreneur interview (individual assignment) | 10 |
| Team grade: Based on 7 team case write-ups | 20 |
| Team simulation and trial activity (extra points for winning team) | 10 |
| Team project (includes team presentation) | 25 |
| TOTAL | 100% |

## Grade Conversion

At the end of the course your overall percentage grade will be converted to your letter grade in accordance with the following conversion scheme.

**Letter Grade Percent**

A+ 90 - 100

A 85 - 89

A- 80 - 84

B+ 75 - 79

B 70 - 74

B- 65 - 69

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## Communication and Feedback

Students that are uncomfortable in directly approaching an instructor regarding a course concern may send a confidential and anonymous email to the respective Area Chair or Associate Dean:

<http://www.degroote.mcmaster.ca/curr/emailchairs.aspx>

Students who wish to correspond with instructors or TAs directly via email must send messages that originate from their official McMaster University email account. This protects the confidentiality and sensitivity of information as well as confirms the identity of the student. Emails regarding course issues should NOT be sent to the Administrative Assistant.

Students who wish to have a course component re-evaluated must complete the following form:

<http://www.mcmaster.ca/policy/Students-AcademicStudies/Form_A.pdf>

In order for the component to be re-read:

* The component must be worth 10% or more of the final grade in the course.
* Students pay a fee of $50 in Gilmour Hall #209 (receipt is then brought to APO).
* The Area Chair will seek out an independent adjudicator to re-grade the component.
* An adjustment to the grade for the component will be made if a grade change of three points or greater on the 12-point scale (equivalent to 10 marks out of 100) has been suggested by the adjudicator as assigned by the Area Chair.
* If a grade change is made, the student fee will be refunded.

***Team Assignments (~4 students/team)***

1. **Case Write-ups:** There are 7 case studies. Each team will prepare a 1-2 page case summary, double spaced, 12 point type. The case should be analyzed from the viewpoint of the questions asked either in the text or assigned in class. Every team will hand in a write-up on each of the cases.
2. **Simulation:** Students will compete in a simulation that will take place during the course. There will be a 10% grade associated with performance in the simulation.

**Team Project:** The purpose of the team project is to familiarize students with important knowledge regarding how complementary experiences enhance entrepreneurial ventures, providing expanded networks, ideas, and capabilities. Students will form teams of ~4 and each team will email me ([ruebottt@mcmaster.ca](mailto:ruebottt@mcmaster.ca)) providing a list of team member names (first and last), and the idea or concept they propose to study. The email will be copied to all team members so that all have a record of each other’s email addresses. Students will need to develop or analyse a unique or creative concept, product, service, or niche that can be assessed through appropriate research during the course. The team project is due on the last class when each group will present their concept or analysis.

The Team Project and Presentation will consist of:

Form a team (3-4) to systematically analyze and assist an entrepreneurial venture. You will meet with the relevant parties, examine internal (and perhaps proprietary) documentation, perform a business analysis, and write a complete business plan for that venture. The report should be approximately 20 pages long (+ appendices), and you must present your findings during the final **15 min. presentation.**

**Option:** You may be seriously considering starting a firm. Most students will NOT be in this situation. If you are, you will need to build a team, and advance your idea in practical terms. Please plan on meeting me to confirm the acceptance of your business idea for this course. A written component of between 10 – 20 pages, total, consisting of ONLY the executive summary and company overview, ONE selected section of your choice from a typical business plan (from the list following this summary: any of numbers 3-8) and a summary or conclusions section. In general, I will be interested in learning what you DID regarding advancing your business – writing a nice plan is more or less irrelevant.

The team project will provide student groups of approximately four persons a chance to put into practice what they have learned in other courses to develop a plan for one aspects of a start-up venture. **Groups will also provide a 10-15 minute presentation during our last class.**

**1. Executive Summary**

**2. Company Overview**

3. Particular project option plan

**4. Summary and Conclusions**

Students will organize teams of ~4 members on the first day of class to assure that all the teams have ample time to accomplish the research needed to conclude on their findings for the project.

***Individual Assignments***

1. **Entrepreneur Interview:** Each student will interview an entrepreneur of their choice (1-2 pages, double spaced, 12-point type). Please address both personal and business aspects in your interview. (Additional instructions will be provided during the first class)
2. **Personal Evaluation of the Simulation:** Each student will reflect on their experience (key lessons, etc.) of the business simulation conducted during the course (also 1-2 pages, double spaced, 12-point type).
3. **Entrepreneurship Self-Assessment:** On an individual basis, each participant in the course will also develop and prepare a self-assessment paper on their own strengths, abilities and shortcomings as a potential entrepreneur. You should also include a reflection of the value of the simulation exercise to your self-learning. This assignment is due on the last class. From a personal viewpoint, this assignment may be the single most important one for you in this class. View it as such, and put your heart and soul into it. (3 pages maximum, double spaced, 12pt font).

All assignments must be submitted through Avenue to Learn on each due date.

# Academic Dishonesty

Academic dishonesty is to knowingly act or fail to act in a way that results or could result in unearned academic credit or advantage. This behaviour can result in serious consequences, e.g. the grade of zero on an assignment, loss of credit with a notation on the transcript (notation reads: “Grade of F assigned for academic dishonesty”), and/or suspension or expulsion from the university.

It is your responsibility to understand what constitutes academic dishonesty. For information on the various types of academic dishonesty please refer to the Academic Integrity Policy, located at:

[www.mcmaster.ca/academicintegrity](http://www.mcmaster.ca/academicintegrity)

The following illustrates only three forms of academic dishonesty:

1. Plagiarism, e.g. the submission of work that is not one’s own or for which other credit has been obtained.
2. Improper collaboration in group work.
3. Copying or using unauthorized aids in tests and examinations

***This course may*** use a web-based service (Turnitin.com) to reveal authenticity and ownership of student submitted work. For assignments using such software, students will be expected to submit their work electronically either directly to Turnitin.com or via an online learning platform (e.g. A2L, etc.) using plagiarism detection (a service supported by Turnitin.com) so it can be checked for academic dishonesty.

Students who do not wish their work to be submitted through the plagiarism detection software must inform the Instructor before the assignment is due. No penalty will be assigned to a student who does not submit work to the plagiarism detection software.

**All submitted work is subject to normal verification that standards of academic integrity have been upheld** (e.g., online search, other software, etc.). For more details about McMaster’s use of Turnitin.com please go to [www.mcmaster.ca/academicintegrity.](http://www.mcmaster.ca/academicintegrity)

# Virtual Courses

***Some courses may*** use on-line elements (e.g. e-mail, Avenue to Learn (A2L), LearnLink, web pages, capa, Moodle, ThinkingCap, etc.). Students should be aware that, when they access the electronic components of a course using these elements, private information such as first and last names, user names for the McMaster e-mail accounts, and program affiliation may become apparent to all other students in the same course.

The available information is dependent on the technology used. Continuation in a course that uses on-line elements will be deemed consent to this disclosure. If you have any questions or concerns about such disclosure, please discuss this with the course instructor.

**Some courses may** use online proctoring software for tests and exams. This software may require students to turn on their video camera, present identification, monitor and record their computer activities, and/or lock/restrict their browser or other applications/software during tests or exams. This software may be required to be installed before the test/exam begins.

# Conduct Expectations

As a McMaster student, you have the right to experience, and the responsibility to demonstrate, respectful and dignified interactions within all of our living, learning and working communities. These expectations are described in the [*Code of Student Rights & Responsibilities*](https://secretariat.mcmaster.ca/app/uploads/Code-of-Student-Rights-and-Responsibilities.pdf) (the “Code”). All students share the responsibility of maintaining a positive environment for the academic and personal growth of all McMaster community members, **whether in person or online**.

It is essential that students be mindful of their interactions online, as the Code remains in effect in virtual learning environments. The Code applies to any interactions that adversely affect, disrupt, or interfere with reasonable participation in University activities. Student disruptions or behaviours that interfere with university functions on online platforms (e.g. use of Avenue 2 Learn, WebEx or Zoom for delivery), will be taken very seriously and will be investigated. Outcomes may include restriction or removal of the involved students’ access to these platforms.

# Missed Academic Work

Late assignments will not be accepted. No extensions are available except under extraordinary circumstances. Please discuss any extenuating situation with your instructor at the earliest possible opportunity.

Students are expected to come to class (via Zoom) thoroughly prepared as indicated in the course schedule. If, for some reason, this is impossible, please contact the instructor. 100% attendance is expected.

***Missed Mid-Term Examinations / Tests / Class Participation***

Where students miss a regularly scheduled mid-term or class participation for legitimate reasons as determined by the Student Experience – Academic (MBA) office, the weight for that test/participation will be distributed across other evaluative components of the course at the discretion of the instructor.  Documentation explaining such an absence must be provided to the Student Experience – Academic (MBA) office within five (5) working days upon returning to school.

To document absences for health related reasons, please provide to Student Experience – Academic (MBA) office the [Petition for Relief for MBA Missed Term Work](http://www.degroote.mcmaster.ca/MBA/documents/relief.pdf) and the McMaster University Student Health Certificate which can be found on the DeGroote website at <http://mbastudent.degroote.mcmaster.ca/forms-and-applications/>. Please do not use the online McMaster Student Absence Form as this is for Undergraduate students only.

University policy states that a student may submit a maximum of three (3) medical certificates per year after which the student must meet with the Director of the program.

To document absences for reasons other than health related, please provide Student Experience – Academic (MBA) office the [Petition for Relief for MBA Missed Term Work](http://www.degroote.mcmaster.ca/MBA/documents/relief.pdf) and documentation supporting the reason for the absence.

Students unable to write a mid-term at the posted exam time due to the following reasons: religious; work-related (for part-time students only); representing university at an academic or varsity athletic event; conflicts between two overlapping scheduled mid-term exams; or other extenuating circumstances, have the option of applying for special exam arrangements. Such requests must be made to the Student Experience – Academic (MBA) office at least ten (10) working days before the scheduled exam along with acceptable documentation.  Instructors cannot themselves allow students to unofficially write make-up exams/tests. Adjudication of the request must be handled by Student Experience – Academic (MBA).

If a mid-term exam is missed without a valid reason, students will receive a grade of zero (0) for that component.

# Academic Accommodations

Student Accessibility Services (SAS) offers various support services for students with disabilities. Students are required to inform SAS of accommodation needs for course work at the outset of term. Students must forward a copy of such SAS accommodation to the instructor normally, within the first three (3) weeks of classes by setting up an appointment with the instructor. If a student with a disability chooses NOT to take advantage of an SAS accommodation and chooses to sit for a regular exam, a petition for relief may not be filed after the examination is complete. The SAS website is:

<http://sas.mcmaster.ca>

# Religious, Indigenous, or Spiritual Observances (RISO)

Students requiring academic accommodation based on religious, indigenous or spiritual observances should follow the procedures set out in the [RISO](https://secretariat.mcmaster.ca/app/uploads/2019/02/Academic-Accommodation-for-Religious-Indigenous-and-Spiritual-Observances-Policy-on.pdf) policy. Students should submit their request to their Faculty Office ***normally within 10 working days*** of the beginning of term in which they anticipate a need for accommodation or to the Registrar's Office prior to their examinations. Students should also contact their instructors as soon as possible to make alternative arrangements for classes, assignments, and tests.

# Copyright and Recording

Students are advised that lectures, demonstrations, performances, and any other course material provided by an instructor include copyright protected works. The Copyright Act and copyright law protect every original literary, dramatic, musical and artistic work, **including lectures** by University instructors.

The recording of lectures, tutorials, or other methods of instruction may occur during a course. Recording may be done by either the instructor for the purpose of authorized distribution, or by a student for the purpose of personal study. Students should be aware that their voice and/or image may be recorded by others during the class. Please speak with the instructor if this is a concern for you.

# Potential Modifications to the Course

The instructor and university reserve the right to modify elements of the course during the term. The university may change the dates and deadlines for any or all courses in extreme circumstances. If either type of modification becomes necessary, reasonable notice and communication with the students will be given with explanation and the opportunity to comment on changes. It is the responsibility of the student to check their McMaster email and course websites weekly during the term and to note any changes.

# Acknowledgement of Course Policies

Your registration and continuous participation (e.g. on A2L, in the classroom, etc.) to the various learning activities of MBA B733 will be considered to be an implicit acknowledgement of the course policies outlined above, or of any other that may be announced during lecture and/or on A2L. **It is your responsibility to read this course outline, to familiarize yourself with the course policies and to act accordingly.**

Lack of awareness of the course policies **cannot be invoked** at any point during this course for failure to meet them. It is your responsibility to ask for clarification on any policies that you do not understand.

# Course Schedule

| **Date** | **Title** | **Reading Resources** |
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| WEEK 1  Sept 14 | **Introduction to Course** | **VIRTUAL CLASS via Zoom**   1. Introductions and course overview 2. Team planning |
| WEEK 2  Sept. 24 | **Contingency Business Planning for new ventures** | **VIRTUAL CLASS via Zoom**  **Orientation to Simulation**  Edumundo Simulations. Students will work with their Teams to participate in a simulation activity, using a virtual break-out room.  This Simulation will run for eight weeks. Details in class.  Introduction videos are here:   1. General: <https://youtu.be/73AeNqTRw4o> 2. Market analysis <https://youtu.be/EDj2VfNL5LQ> 3. Ranking points & targets: <https://youtu.be/ds4xCv0zpZE> 4. Stock management: <https://youtu.be/gF5cqphc2MU> 5. HR policy [https://youtu.be/3VE-Zs55cJQ](https://youtu.be/3VE-Zs55cJQ" \t "_blank) 6. R&D [https://youtu.be/qhLdVG620NU](https://youtu.be/qhLdVG620NU" \t "_blank)   **Discussion of Readings**  **Required Reading for this Session:**  Kelly K. Spors, Interview. Jan. 9, 2007. Do Start-Ups Really Need Formal Business Plans? *The Wall Street Journal*  Honig, B. 2004. Entrepreneurship Education: Toward a Model of Contingency-Based Business Planning. ***Academy of Management Learning and Education*** 3(3) 258-273.  Sarasvathy, S.D. 2001. Causation and effectuation: Toward a theoretical shift from economic inevitability to entrepreneurial contingency. *Academy of Management Review*. Vol. 26 (2), p. 243-263  The Business Model Canvas: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IP0cUBWTgpY&t=8s> |
| WEEK 3  Oct 1 | **Discovery and Creation**  **Orientation to Simulation**  **Simulation Begins** | **VIRTUAL CLASS via Zoom**  **Discussion of Simulation**  **Discussion of Case#1: VEJA Sneakers with a conscience**   1. Is Veja more or less successful than other brands in the ethical fashion movement? Explain your criteria. 2. In which key ways does Veja’s business model differ from that of conventional fashion industry firms? Did the company discover or create this opportunity? 3. Provide your best estimate of Veja’s worth. What considerations are included in your evaluation? 4. If Beja were to sell to Timberland, what would be the consequences on the ethical fashion industry and the conventional fashion industry?   **Required reading:**  Alvarez, S and Barney, J. (2007). “Discovery and creation: Alternative theories of entrepreneurial action”. *Strategic Entrepreneurship Journal*, vol1 (1):11-26. |
| WEEK 4  Oct. 8 | **Creative Destruction** | **VIRTUAL CLASS via Zoom**  **Discussion of Simulation**  **Discussion of Case#2: The Mark News**   1. What is the Schumpeterian notion of entrepreneurship? 2. Discuss the economics of the legacy newspaper industry    1. What are the challenges it faces?    2. What is the threat from entrepreneurial entrants like The Mark?    3. Given the challenges, do legacy newspapers have a future? If not, should we be concerned? 3. What are the strengths and weaknesses of The Mark, and what can Anders do to grow revenue?   **Required reading:**  Schumpter, j. (1947). The creative response in economic history. Journal of Economic History, 7, 149-159. |
| Week 5  Oct. 15 | **What are you doing with your career?**  **Entering New Markets** | **VIRTUAL CLASS via Zoom**  **Discuss Simulation**  **Discussion of Careers**  **Discussion of Case #3: Rwanda Backpackers**   1. Analyze the viability of the business concept proposed? What are the key decisions that Davie and Bawazir must make? 2. How many campers do they need to break even? 3. Analyze the financing and marketing options faced by Davie and Bawazir. What do you think they should do? 4. What are the major risks they face in creating this business, and how can they mitigate these risks?   **Required Reading for this Session:**  The Monk and The Riddle (pg. 1-95). |
| WEEK 6  Oct. 22 | **Corporate Entrepreneurship: Intrapraneurship** | **VIRTUAL CLASS via Zoom**  **Discuss Simulation:** Send in request for investment if you would like to be considered, by Oct. 25th at 5pm.  **Discuss Entrepreneur Interviews:** Interview reports to be handed in on A2L today by 8:3am.  **Discussion of Case #4: Luminar: Leveraging big data using corporate entrepreneurship**   1. What is the promise of big data, and how does Luminar plan to exploit it in order to create value? 2. Can Luminar grow and sustain SCA? 3. Should Luminar be exploited as a stand along enterprise or as a corporate venture within Entravison? As a CV, how much autonomy should it have within Entravision, and how can Rios secure internal buy in?   **Required Reading for this Session:**  Gartner et.al. 1998. Predicting New Venture Survival: An Analysis of “Anatomy of a Start-UP.” Cases from INC. Magazine, vol 14, *Journal of Business Venturing*.  Honig, B. 2001. Learning strategies of entrepreneurs and intrapraneurs, *Entrepreneurship Theory and Practice* vol 26:(1). |
| WEEK 7  Oct. 29 | **Venture Capital and the Market Environment** | **VIRTUAL CLASS via Zoom**  **Discussion of Simulation**  **Discussion of Readings**  **Discussion of Case #5: MedImmune Ventures**   1. What function should CVC perform for its parent company? 2. What is your assessment of MedImmune Ventures? 3. Should MedImmune Ventures enter Australia? 4. What should MedImmune do with regards to NeuProtect?   **Required Reading:**  The Monk and the Riddle (pg. 95-end)**.**  Macmillan et. al. Criteria used by Venture Capitalists to Evaluate New Venture Proposals *Journal of Business Venturing*  Zacharakis, A and Meyer, G. (1998). A lack of insight: Do venture capitalists really understand their own decision process? *Journal of Business Venturing*, Vol 1. 57–76. |
| WEEK 8  Nov. 5 | **Business Models** | **VIRTUAL CLASS via Zoom**  **Discussion of Simulation:** In-class decision: To be announced.  **Discussion of Business Model Innovations**  **Discussion of Case #6: A new vision for the Stratford Festival**   1. What makes the Stratford Festival a successful organization? What makes for an immersive experience for its patrons? 2. Where should Gaffney focus her energy and priorities for innovation moving forward? What are the implications for the Stratford Festival? How can the various functions come together to facilitate positive change?   **Required Reading:**  Chesbrough, H. (2007),"Business model innovation: it's not just about technology anymore", Strategy & Leadership, 35: 6 pp.12 – 17.  Business Model Innovation: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B4ZSGQW0UMI>  Business Model Innovation: Amazon, Spotify, and Tinder: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=avWVPaJFgFk> |
| WEEK 9  Nov. 12 | **Final Simulation Round**  **Presentation and Consulting Report Preparation** | **VIRTUAL CLASS via Zoom**  **Last Simulation Round:** In class quick-fire round.  **GROUP MEETINGS via Zoom**  This week is designed for teams to finalize their preparations for the final project due Dec. 3. There will be formal team meetings during this class where you meet with the professor and/or TA to develop your consulting report. |
| WEEK 10  Nov. 19 | **Innovation and Creativity** | **SELF-STUDY via Avenue to Learn**  **Talks on Innovation and Creativity:**   1. The Surprising Habits of Original Thinkers | Adam Grant   <https://www.ted.com/talks/adam_grant_the_surprising_habits_of_original_thinkers?language=en>   1. How Boredom Can Lead to Your Most Brilliant Ideas | Manoush Zomorodi <https://www.ted.com/talks/manoush_zomorodi_how_boredom_can_lead_to_your_most_brilliant_ideas?utm_campaign=tedspread&utm_medium=referral&utm_source=tedcomshare> 2. Need a New Idea? Start at the Edge of What is Known | Vittorio Loreto <https://www.ted.com/talks/vittorio_loreto_need_a_new_idea_start_at_the_edge_of_what_is_known?utm_campaign=tedspread&utm_medium=referral&utm_source=tedcomshare> 3. Embrace the Remix | Kirby Ferguson <https://www.ted.com/talks/kirby_ferguson_embrace_the_remix?referrer=playlist-kickstart_your_creativity>   **Required Reading**  Sutton, R.I., & Hargadon, A. (1996). Brainstorming groups in context: Effectiveness in a product design firm. Administrative Science Quarterly, 41, 685-734.  Drori, I and Honig, B (2013) A Process Model of Internal and External Legitimacy. *Organization Studies.* 34: 345-376 |
| WEEK 11  Nov. 26 | **Ethical and Social Responsibility** | **VIRTUAL CLASS via Zoom**  **Simulation evaluations to be handed in today. Debrief simulation.**  **Discussion of Case #7:** Preserve: Growing a Sustainable Consumer Goods Company   1. How could Preserve keep its focus on being an environmental solution while managing growth? 2. How can Preserve communicate the Preserve brand concept to engage the mass market? To engage new and existing partners?   **Required Reading**  Mair, J and Marti, I. (2006). Social entrepreneurship research: A source of explanation, prediction, and delight. *Journal of World Busines*s, Vol 41 (1):36-44. |
| WEEK 12  Dec. 3 | **Final Presentations** | **VIRTUAL CLASS via Zoom**  **Class presentations: 15 min each group.**  Required for all students.  **All reports are due today, as well as group participation.**  **Entrepreneurial Self Assessments also must be handed in.** |