

# **Course Syllabus**

Course Code	Course Title	ECTS Credits
COMM-321	Principles of Public Relations	6
Prerequisites	Department	Semester
None	Communications	Fall
Type of Course	Field	Language of Instruction
Required	PR, Advertising and Marketing	English
Level of Course	Lecturer(s)	Year of Study
1 <sup>st</sup> Cycle	DR. Nicholas Nicoli	<b>1</b> st
Mode of Delivery	Work Placement	Corequisites
Conventional (Face-to-face)	No	None

#### **Course Objectives:**

The main objectives of the course are to:

- introduce the fundamentals and practices of public relations with an emphasis on the concepts, theories and techniques relevant to the practice of Public Relations.
- Include in the course marketing and advertising approaches, news writing (press releases) and general knowledge of communication media, PR and Mass media.
  Campaign building and strategy management are also involved.

#### **Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of the course students are expected to be able to:

- To introduce the fundamentals and practices of public relations
- To become familiar with various definitions of public relations
- To identify differences between public relations and other forms of communications such as advertising and marketing
- To have an understanding of the history of public relations
- To understand what the main tactics are of public relation
- Be familiar with the definitions of PR
- How PR varies from other communications approaches
- Have an understanding of the history of PR
- How PR is organizationally structured
- To develop an understanding in public relations research
- To develop an understanding in public relations planning
- To be able to comprehend the role of ethics in public relations



- The identify publics of PR
- To be able to evaluate PR case studies

#### **Course Content:**

- Be familiar with the definitions of PR
- How PR varies from other communications approaches
- Have an understanding of the history of PR
- How PR is organizationally structured
- Understand PR ethical considerations
- The publics of PR
- Evaluate PR case studies

## **Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:**

Lectures, Presentations, Practical Exercises, Group Assignments, and Assignments.

# **Required Textbooks / Readings:**

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Principles of Public Relations	Nicholas Nicoli / Marcos Komodromos	University of Nicosia	2013	

## **Recommended Textbooks / Readings:**

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
The Practice of Public Relations (13 <sup>th</sup> Edition)	Fraser Seitel	Pearson Education	2017	ISBN-10: 1292160055