

Course Syllabus

Course Code	Course Title	ECTS Credits	
MIS-320	Mobile Collaboration	6	
Prerequisites	Department	Semester	
Sophomore Standing	Management and MIS	Fall/Spring	
Type of Course	Field	Language of Instruction	
Elective	MIS	English	
Level of Course	Lecturer(s)	Year of Study	
1 st Cycle	MIS Faculty	1 st or 2 nd	
Mode of Delivery	Work Placement	Corequisites	
Face to Face	N/A	N/A	

Course Objectives:

The main objectives of the course are to:

- Introduce the concept of Mobile Wireless Communications.
- Introduce groups and group dynamics, the nature of experiential learning, group goals, communication within groups, leadership, power, decision-making, controversy and creativity, and conflict management.
- Discuss the various methods that users can collaborate in effective manner.
- Demonstrate ways to create mobile virtual teams.
- Study systems that help the formation of mobile virtual teams.
- Introduce the fundamental concepts necessary for the design, implementation, and delivery of mobile collaboration.
- Explain the basics of workflows.
- Explain the importance of mobile collaboration to decision-makers in a timely manner.

Learning Outcomes:

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

- 1. Have an understanding of group dynamics through experiential exercises and simulations, as well as expertise in putting the concepts to use.
- 2. Understand both how groups work and how to work in groups.
- 3. Apply group communication theories, methods, and skills, been more effective and ethical group members.



- 4. Explain contemporary areas such as "team talk," communication apprehension, group goal setting, group motivation, critical thinking and argumentation, and listening.
- 5. Handle common group situation effectively by focusing on structuring problem-solving discussions through tools and techniques.

Course Content:

- 1. Overview of Mobile Wireless Communications.
 - a. Background
 - b. Motivation
 - c. Technology Challenges
 - d. Future
- 2. Introduction to Mobility.
 - a. Mobile devices
 - b. Input / Output Methods
 - c. Limitations
 - d. Future
- 3. Collaboration Concepts.
 - a. Definition
 - b. Defining Characteristics for Collaboration
 - c. Emergent Characteristics
 - d. The Dilemmas of Collaboration
- 4. Groups: Power, Definition, Attraction.
 - a. Introduction
 - b. Types of Groups
 - c. Group Evolution: Teams
- 5. Communication Within Groups
- 6. Leadership
- 7. Decision Making
- 8. Managing Conflicts of Interest
- 9. Workflows

Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:

Lectures, Exercises

Assessment Methods:

Attendance and Participation, Coursework, Mid-Term Exam, Final Exam.



Required Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Small Group and Team Communication, 5 th Ed.	Thomas E. Harris, John C. Sherblom	Pearson	2011	978-0205692989

Recommended Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Joining Together: Group Theory and Group Skills, 11 th Ed.	David H. Johnson, Frank P. Johnson	Pearson	2013	978-0132678131