MBAD 6100-U90
LEADERSHIP, ETHICS, AND THE BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT SEMINAR
BELK COLLEGE OF BUSINESS - THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHARLOTTE
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CLASS TIME
Section U90  Monday  Center City Building  902  5:30 – 8:15 pm

*This class meets for the first half of the semester only prior to spring break. Please see the schedule below for specific dates and times.

CATALOG COURSE DESCRIPTION
MBAD 6100: Leadership, Ethics, and the Business Environment Seminar (Fall, Spring) (1). Prerequisite: None. This course is designed to be taken in the first semester as an admitted MBA student as an introduction to Leadership, Ethics, and the Business Environment. Students entering in the summer will take the course in the fall semester.

COURSE IMPORTANCE AND OBJECTIVES
This course sets the stage for success in the MBA program. It provides an orientation to the MBA program, introduces students to key academic and career success factors, and provides an opportunity for networking with MBA faculty, staff and fellow MBA students. The objectives of the course are to introduce students to:

- Effective communication
- Graduate level writing and research
- Business ethics and society
- Career management
- Leadership and teambuilding
- Networking
- Curricula Planning
- Other critical skills and concepts essential for business students and professionals

REQUIRED MATERIALS
No text book is required for this class. Refer to Canvas https://canvas.uncc.edu for any required readings and assignments. More information will be shared on the first day of class.
COURSE INFORMATION ON CANVAS AND EMAIL
Much of the information for this course will be made available on Canvas https://canvas.uncc.edu. Please check Canvas frequently for news and announcements about the course. We will also use your UNC Charlotte email to communicate as needed. Please note that, as per University policy, ALL emails will be sent to your UNC Charlotte email address only once classes begin.

WRITING RESOURCES
Please consult http://guides.library.uncc.edu/mbad_6100 for assistance with writing, proper format, and citations

COURSE CONDUCT AND PROCEDURES
Course Delivery – Seminar based delivery utilizing a combination of presentations by various speakers, teambuilding activities, class discussions, readings, and other assignments.
Attendance – To gain the most out of the course, attendance at all class meetings is expected.
Deadlines – All assignments, unless otherwise noted or permitted, are due on the assigned due date. Late submissions will be penalized usually by one letter grade.
Office Hours – Please call or email instructors to schedule a time for us to meet during the semester as needed.

COURSE ASSIGNMENTS
Please check Canvas https://canvas.uncc.edu prior to the first day of class and review all assignments. On the first day of class, you will be introduced to the assignments for the course.

- Poverty Simulation Reflection Assignment – This assignment is a written reflection of your role experience within a poverty simulation.
- Individual SWOT Analysis – This assignment is a written reflection of your strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats based on your Career Leader Assessment results. Details in Canvas.
- Curriculum Plan Assignment – This assignment will consist of your plan for sequencing your graduate classes for the duration of your degree. Details in Canvas.
- Attendance/Participation

GRADING STRUCTURE
The grading structure in MBAD 6100 is as follows:

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**Grading Scale**
A = 180-200 points  
B = 160-179 points  
C = 140-159 points  
U = < 140 points

**ATTENDANCE AND PARTICIPATION**
Students are expected to participate in all the class exercises and discussions. As in any graduate business course, each person’s contribution to the class is an important part of every person’s experience. Given the nature of this course, your participation is absolutely essential. Preparation for class discussion and exercises should reflect your familiarity with the material. Without the proper preparation, the class exercises become virtually meaningless. If you come to class unprepared, it ruins your classmates’ experience. I anticipate that each of you will be prepared for every class and each of you should have no problems meeting my expectations for preparation.

We realize that the demands of traffic, work, family, etc. are powerful, but since this class is based so much on discussion and participation, we expect everyone to be on time for class, and we will be incorporating on-time attendance into your participation grade. In addition, **expect to be called upon in class.** You will be evaluated on the quality of your contributions and insights. Quality comments possess one or more of the following properties:

- offers a different or unique, but relevant, perspective
- contributes to moving the discussion and analysis forward
- builds on other comments
- applies concepts in the readings to negotiation experiences

**ACADEMIC INTEGRITY STATEMENT**
Students have the responsibility to know and observe the requirements of The UNCC Code of Student Academic Integrity. This code forbids cheating, fabrication or falsification of information, multiple submissions of academic work, plagiarism, abuse of academic materials, and complicity in academic dishonesty. Any special requirements or permission regarding academic integrity in this course will be stated by the instructor and are binding on the students. Academic evaluations in this course include a judgment that the student’s work is free from academic dishonesty of any type; and grades in this course therefore should be and will be adversely affected by academic dishonesty. Students who violate the code can be expelled from UNCC. The normal penalty for a first offense is zero credit on the work involving dishonesty and further substantial reduction of the course grade. In almost all cases the course grade is reduced to F. Copies of the code can be obtained from the Dean of Students Office. Standards of academic integrity will be enforced in this course. Students are expected to report cases of academic dishonesty to the course instructor.

Note: All University and College policies regarding absences, make-ups, drops, incompletes, scholastic dishonesty, and all others issues will be strictly observed.

**STATEMENT OF INCLUSION**
The Belk College of Business strives to create an inclusive academic climate in which the dignity of all
individuals is respected and maintained. Therefore, we celebrate diversity that includes, but is not limited to ability/disability, age, culture, ethnicity, gender, language, race, religion, sexual orientation, and socio-economic status.

**CLASS SCHEDULE**

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<td>Monday, Aug. 21</td>
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<td>Center City Room 902</td>
<td>Syllabus Review/360° Preview/Improv.</td>
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<td>Monday, Aug. 28</td>
<td>5:30 – 8:15 pm</td>
<td>Center City 2nd Floor</td>
<td>Leadership in Society- Poverty Simulation</td>
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<td>Graduate Research and Writing Poverty Simulation Reflection Due</td>
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<td>Monday, Sept. 18</td>
<td>5:30 – 8:15 pm</td>
<td>Center City Room 902</td>
<td>Managing Your MBA Courses Strategically</td>
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<td>Monday, Sept. 25</td>
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<td>Center City Room 902</td>
<td>Career Leader Assessment/ Evisors Curriculum Plan Assignment Due</td>
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<td>Monday, Oct. 2</td>
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<td>Center City Room 902</td>
<td>Business Ethics &amp; Course Wrap Up Individual SWOT Analysis Due</td>
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