BOT 59.3 Course Outline as of Fall 2000

CATALOG INFORMATION

Dept and Nbr: BOT 59.3 Title: MARKETING YOUR SKILLS

Full Title: Marketing Your Skills

Last Reviewed: 2/8/2021

Units		Course Hours per Week		Nbr of Weeks	Course Hours Total	
Maximum	3.00	Lecture Scheduled	3.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	52.50
Minimum	3.00	Lab Scheduled	0	17.5	Lab Scheduled	0
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	3.00		Contact Total	52.50
		Non-contact DHR	2.00		Non-contact DHR	35.00

Total Out of Class Hours: 105.00 Total Student Learning Hours: 192.50

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade Only

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly: BOT 68

Catalog Description:

Identify and market workforce skills and qualities for employment. Use technology to develop a network of contacts and portfolio of employment related documents including application, resume, and cover letters; develop and practice interviewing skills. Integration of workplace competencies and foundation skills in this course form a solid basis for the Business Office Technology Department Certificate/Degree Programs.

Prerequisites/Corequisites:

Course Completion of BGN 71 and Course Completion of CS 65.11A (or BOT 73.10A)

Recommended Preparation:

Limits on Enrollment:

Schedule of Classes Information:

Description: Identify & market workforce skills & qualities for employment. Use technology to develop a portfolio of employment-related documents including application, resume & cover letters; practice interviewing skills. Includes use of Internet resources & employment marketing on the Internet. (Grade Only)

Prerequisites/Corequisites: Course Completion of BGN 71 and Course Completion of CS 65.11A (or BOT 73.10A)

Recommended:

Limits on Enrollment: Transfer Credit: CSU;

Repeatability: Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:

AS Degree: Area Effective: Inactive: CSU GE: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

IGETC: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

CSU Transfer: Transferable Effective: Fall 1994 Inactive: Fall 2013

UC Transfer: Effective: Inactive:

CID:

Certificate/Major Applicable:

Certificate Applicable Course

COURSE CONTENT

Outcomes and Objectives:

- 1. Identify and discuss personal and professional factors associated with professional success.
- 2. Demonstrate an understanding of how interpersonal skills affect personal and professional development.
- 3. Describe and discuss organizational dynamics.
- 4. Formulate personal, educational, and professional goals and develop a plan to accomplish those goals.
- 5. Examine employment opportunities for qualified professional office support staff.
- 6. Compare classified ads to identify current skills and competencies listed for office professionals.
- 7. Analyze and evaluate newspaper articles, periodicals, and trade journals for market trends and employer expectations.
- 8. Participate in pre-employment activities.
- 9. Apply effective job-seeking skills.
- 10. Use Internet to research employment opportunities and employer requirements.
- 11. Develop resumes, cover letters, and database of professional contacts using appropriate software programs.

Topics and Scope:

- 1. Self-analysis of personal and professional traits that lead to professional success
- 2. Techniques that build a positive self-image

- 3. Professional Image:
 - A. Basics of good health practices (exercise, nutrition, stress management)
 - B. Personal grooming
 - C. Selecting a proper business look
 - D. Proper professional etiquette
- 4. Interpersonal skills
 - A. Application of effective listening and nonverbal communication skills
 - B. Use of voice as an effective tool for communicating
 - C. Skills essential to successful communications with people from culturally diverse backgrounds.
 - D. Business etiquette skills in professional situations
 - E. Techniques for developing assertiveness
 - F. Leadership traits and methods for building leadership skills
- 5. Organizational dynamics
 - A. Organizational policies and procedures
 - B. Employee's role in the work environment such as teamwork, total quality management, corporate culture, dealing with change in the organization, office politics, power, and networking
 - C. Legal issues relating to the work environment such as sexual harassment, employer/employee rights, drug testing, substance abuse, etc.
 - D. Organizational and community resources available to assist employees in handling personal and professional goals
- 6. Personal, Educationa, and Professional Goals
 - A. Necessity of lifelong learning
 - B. Benefits of professional affiliations and certification programs
 - C. Career paths
 - D. Membership and participation in professional organizations
 - E. Educational requirements and training
 - F. Career advancement/promotion issues
 - G. Development of a plan to reach goals
- 7. The employment process
 - A. Gathering data
 - 1. Researching career fields and job opportunities
 - 2. Organizing research data
 - 3. Analyzing research data
 - B. Personal marketing plan
 - C. Job-seeking skills
 - 1. Interviewing techniques, including legal vs. illegal inquiries
 - 2. Evaluation of the organization and position
 - 3. Follow-up procedures
 - D. Professional portfolio
 - 1. Applications
 - 2. Resumes
 - 3. Letters of reference
 - 4. Certificates and degrees of program completions
 - 5. Samples of work
 - 6. Networking contacts

Assignment:

Including but not limited to:

- 1. Weekly readings
- 2. Written summaries of magazine and newspaper articles
- 3. Writing of cover letters, resumes, and reports
- 4. Participation in group activities
- 5. Development of portfolio of employment-related documents
- 6. Written plans for personal, educational, and professional development

A variety of assignments and in-class activities throughout the course will include, but not be limited to, the application of the following workplace competencies and foundation skills:

- * Gather data by reading information from outside written sources such as newspapers, magazines, trade journals, etc.
- * Organize, analyze, and interpret gathered data
- * Write various types and lengths of reports on gathered data
- * Use essential time management skill of calendaring course work (reading, activities, assignments, projects) to meet deadlines and produce a quality product
- * Use active listening and effective oral communication skills
- * Based on today's workplace needs, develop an effective selfmanaging team to complete activities, assignments, and projects. Move from the co-dependent to the independent to the interdependent method of operation.
- * Employ activities designed to reduce stress and fatigue in today's fast-paced working environment and to prevent prevalent workplace injuries
- * Examine the interdependence of the global/world marketplace with emphasis on international trade and business
- * Use computer technology to complete activities

Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

Writing: Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

Written homework, Reading reports, Term papers

Writing 10 - 40%

Problem Solving: Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

Homework problems, Field work, Exams

Problem solving 20 - 50%

Skill Demonstrations: All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

Class performances

Skill Demonstrations 10 - 40% **Exams:** All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

Multiple choice, True/false, Matching items, Completion

Exams 5 - 10%

Other: Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

ATTENDANCE AND CLASS PARTICIPATION

Other Category 0 - 10%

Representative Textbooks and Materials:

KNOCK 'EM DEAD--THE ULTIMATE JOB SEEKERS HANDBOOK, Martin Yate, Bob Adams, Inc., 1997

EFFECTIVE NETWORKING, Raye-Johnson, Crisp Publications, 1990

WHAT COLOR IS YOUR PARACHUTE?, Richard Nelson Bolles, Ten Speed Press, updated annually

GALLERY OF BEST RESUMES FOR TWO-YEAR DEGREE GRADS, D. Noble, JIST, 1996 RESUME EXPRESS, Jackson & Buckingham, Times Books, Random House, 1993