

COURSE UNIT (MODULE) DESCRIPTION

Course unit (module) title	Code					
Family Business (5 cr.)						
Lecturer(s)	Department(s) where the	e course unit (module) is				
	deliv	vered				
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Other(s):	Saulėtekio al. 22, Vilnius					

Study cycle	Type of the course unit (module)					
First	Optional					

Mode of delivery	Period when the course unit (module) is delivered	Language(s) of instruction
Virtual	Spring	English

Requirements for students					
Prerequisites: Proficient English	Additional requirements (if any):				
Basics of Business Management	Direct interfaces with Family Business				

Course (module) volume in credits	Total student's workload	Contact hours	Self-study hours		
5	130	50	80		

Purpose of the mo	odule: program competences to be de	veloped					
Module is designed to provide students with theoretical and practical knowledge of Family Business. There are following competencies in the module: Sustainability of Family business, Decision making, Management of the Business, Succession planning, Inheritance, Risks assessment, Return on investment, Valuation of the business. During the course students should be prepared to discuss on the topics and actively share their ideas. Actors will develop argumentation skills in main group or in the smaller groups. Also, students will be asked to look for new solutions on how to improve Family business.							
Learning outcomes of the course unit	Teaching and learning methods	Assessment methods					
(module)							
 Students will be able to systematically evaluate the principles of family business management, applied methods, advantages and disadvantages. Students will be able to apply the acquired knowledge: by creating their own family business; merging into their existing family business or by being employed as a family business employee. 	 Lectures where required active participation. Self-learning, searching for required information in all available sources, independent data analysis, systematic approach to new information. Business case analysis. Lectures where required active participation. 	- Active participation in the Lectures, able to discuss when required, Individual tasks are done in time. Students should present outcomes and be able to discuss, argument their position during seminar.					

- Students will be able to	- Business case analysis,	- Quality of material,
independently calculate the value	calculation of financial KPI's	presented by students
of family business, return on	in group, but as well	is subject for
investment in family business and	independently for assigned	assessment.
other strategic financial indicators	Family business.	- Ability to analyse, to
- Students will gain interaction and	- Work in groups: ability to	structure information,
cooperation skills while working	listen, argument and reach	to understand financial
in smaller groups.	agreement for the group, but	information for
- Students will gain collaboration	also present group's view in	selected Family
skills during seminars & class	wider audience	business. Presenting in
discussions, will be able to	- Active teaching/study mode:	e
represent their own position, will	discussions and feedback on	professional manner,
embrace cultural differences	the topic, brainstorming, case	answering the
while working in a multinational	studies and argumentation	questions with self-
group, will increase self-	based on facts, interactive	confidence, and
confidence and networking skills.	debates on a given topic.	demonstrating deep
		knowledge on the
		subject. Facts based
		Argumentation.
		- Quality of common
		solution under strictly
		defined time frame
		pressure
		- High level of students'
		engagement and
		participation will be
		evaluated. Distractive
		(and, sometimes)
		unprofessional
		behaviors impact the
		student's own learning
		as well as have a
		negative impact on
		another students'
		learning. Engaging in
		any of these behaviors
		will have a negative
		impact on participation
		points. To gain
		participation points,
		student must contribute
		in a meaningful
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		manner to the other
		students' learning, and
		to class's
		understanding of the
		issues being discussed.

		Contact hours					1	f-study work: time and assignments	
Content: breakdown of the topics	Lectures	Tutorials	Seminars	Exercises	Laboratory work	Internship/work	Contact hours	Self-study hours	Assignments
1.Introduction to the course making agreements for learning principles.	2						2		Participation and alignment
2. What Family business is all about? What is Global Economic Contribution?	2						2	2	Understand Class material. Home readings or tasks assigned by lecturer.
3. Strength and weaknesses of Family Business. What are fundamental success factors?	2						2	2	Understand Class material. Home readings or tasks assigned by lecturer.
4. Governance in the Family business. Ownership vs Management	6						6	6	Understand Class material. Home readings or tasks assigned by lecturer.
5. Strategic management in the Family Business and Leadership structures	4						4	4	Understand Class material. Home readings or tasks assigned by lecturer.
6. Succession planning in Family Business	4						4	4	Understand Class material. Home readings or tasks assigned by lecturer.
7. Transgenerational value creation in Family Business	2						2	2	Understand Class material. Home readings or tasks assigned by lecturer.
8. Financials in Family Business	6						6	6	Understand Class material. Home readings or tasks

							assigned by
	4				 	4	lecturer.
9. Relations and Conflict management	4				4	4	Understand
in Family business							Class material.
							Home readings
							or tasks
							assigned by
							lecturer.
10. Individual tasks			8		8	20	Fulfilment of
							individual tasks
							assigned by
							lecturer.
							Present your
							findings during
							seminar.
11. Assessment of assigned Family			8		8	30	To create
business							written work
							and
							presentation for
							assigned
							Family
							business.
							Present your
							findings during
							seminar. More
							details will be
							provided by
							lecture in due
							time
Preparation for the intermediate and		2			2		
final assignments							
Total	32	2	16		50	80	

Assessment strategy	Weight, %	Deadline	Assessment criteria
Individual tasks assigned	35%	April 21th	Individual tasks are done in time, students should
by Lecturer			present outcomes and be able to discuss,
			argument their position during seminar.
Assessment of assigned	45%	Written work:	Ability to analyse, to structure information, to
Family business. Written		April 21 st	understand financial information for selected
work & presentation		Presentations:	Family business. Presenting in professional
		April 28 th and	manner, answering the questions with self-
		May 5 th	confidence, and demonstrating deep knowledge
			on the subject. Facts based Argumentation.
Active participation when	20%	Throughout the	Active Participation in a group assignment,
required (discussion in		course	interaction with other members in a group and
main or smaller Groups)			ability to find effective solutions which satisfies
			all members in the group. This requires you to
			effectively manage differences in cross-cultural
			team. Any issues or concerns with team
			effectiveness should be brought to the immediate
			attention of the lecture. Also, it means.

	asking	questions,	discussing,	presenting,
	voluntee	ering to partici	ipate in various	s tasks for the
	class.			

APPLIED TO THE FIRST YEAR OF UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES: After missing more than 50% of lectures and seminars - the module is repeated next year.

The final module assessment is accumulated over the entire module study period and calculated according to the specified assessment strategy.

Author	Year of publi cation	Title			Issue of a periodical or volume of a publication	Publishing place and house or web link
Compulsory reading						
Rodrigo Basco	2023	Family Management		Business		Taylor & Francis Group
Thomas Zellweger	2017	Managing Business	the	Family		Edward Elgar Publishing
Optional reading						