

UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO
Department of Economics
ECON 220 -- Principles of Entrepreneurship
Fall 2011

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| Instructor: | Geoff Malleck | Class: | 8:30 am – 9:20 am M, W, F |
| Class Number: | 2749 | Anti req: | ARBUS 200/201 |
| Subject: | ECON 220-001 | Office: | HH 101 |
| Classroom: | AL 124 | Office hours: | M 1:00 pm- 3:00 pm |
| Catalogue: | 220-001 | | |
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Appointment preferred Meetings should be pre-arranged via D2L e-mail.

E-Mail: Through UW Angel Course Environment. This is the primary source for course updates, marking criteria, lecture notes, class cancellations and announcements.

<https://uwangel.uwaterloo.ca/uwangel/frameIndex.htm>

Text: The Beermat Entrepreneur
Authors: Mike Southon and Chris West

Course philosophy

Entrepreneurship has long been acknowledged as critical to a prosperous society yet most individuals do not fully understand the term. This course seeks to awaken your creative mind and connect creativity to enterprise and subsequently to the lifestyle of entrepreneurship. Life is not a series of numbered dots waiting to be connected. The daring prefer a blank piece of paper and a dream.

Course purpose

As engaged students willing to learn and invest:

- You will be invited to challenge yourself and your perceived career path by demanding more of yourself. The entrepreneurial lifestyle is the most demanding and can be the most satisfying.
- Innovation is introduced as the critical success in enterprise AND society. Are you up to the challenge of embracing creativity?
- The course exposes you to the critical soft skills of entrepreneurship- and of life- including leading and managing, negotiation, networking, branding yourself and ethics... and of great importance, learning how to work with other people.
- The course represents the Pandora's box of opportunity. A paradigm shift awaits some- others will confirm they are comfortable with comfort. Engagement in the course will assist.
- The course is more than entrepreneurship- by more I mean defining **you**.

Course Objectives

If you are willing to invest in this course (and yourself) you:

- Will be able to identify key principles of strategy and their application to critical business decisions.
- Will be better able to analyse business situations and apply knowledge and logic to provide viable solutions.
- Will be able to incorporate some of the key themes of the course with broader life experiences.
- Can continue to develop the skills and competencies to contribute to the success of groups facing challenges.
- Will come to see yourselves as future stewards of highly principled businesses.
- Will excited about the potential of entrepreneurship as a future lifestyle.
- Will gain an appreciation for the multiple skills, attitudes and values associated with entrepreneurship.
- Will learn to apply creativity to determine the core problem and realize better solutions.

Course Evaluation:

| <u>Requirement</u> | <u>Due</u> | <u>Weight</u> | <u>Group/Individual</u> |
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| Group Submissions (Various) | Refer to D2L for details | 80% | Group |
| Individual Assessment | Nov. 23 | 20% | Individual |

Preparation for the next week is clearly stated. The workload is not even, so review the full course in advance. Your ability to contribute to the quality of class is enhanced by any preparation done in advance.

Group mark details are provided in the Marking Grid, which is posted with this page in the Lessons section for this course in D2L. The course marks are fixed but some topics may be added or deleted depending on the certain factors. Submissions are due is at the end of the day (11:59:59pm). Information contained on the marking grid is considered a part of the outline.

Other Notes:

Late submissions are subject to a 2% per day (seven day week) penalty. The responsibility is on the group/individual to submit on D2L before the designated deadline. If the submission is to be electronically filed in an D2L drop box, the time stamp applied to the document will be applied.

Contract:

The group contract may be enforceable and a serious commitment should be applied to its creation.

Cross-listed course:

Please note that a cross-listed course will count in all respective averages no matter under which rubric it has been taken. For example, a PHIL/PSCI cross-list will count in a Philosophy major average, even if the course was taken under the Political Science rubric.

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Petitions and Grievances (other than regarding a petition) or Policy 71 - Student Discipline if a ground for an appeal can be established. Read Policy 72 - Student Appeals, <http://www.adm.uwaterloo.ca/infosec/Policies/policy72.htm>

Academic Integrity website (Arts): http://arts.uwaterloo.ca/arts/ugrad/academic_responsibility.html

Academic Integrity Office (UW): <http://uwaterloo.ca/academicintegrity/>

Accommodation for Students with Disabilities:

Note for students with disabilities: The Office for Persons with Disabilities (OPD), located in Needles Hall, Room 1132, collaborates with all academic departments to arrange appropriate accommodations for students with disabilities without compromising the academic integrity of the curriculum. If you require academic accommodations to lessen the impact of your disability, please register with the OPD at the beginning of each academic term.