ECON/MGT 335V  
Business and Government  
Fall Semester, 2010  
18:00-20:30, Tuesday, GU100  

COURSE SYLLABUS  

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COURSE DESCRIPTION  
This course studies the evolving relationship between government and business. The reasons for and implications of government oversight and participation in the business system are of major concern. The course will rely heavily on lecture and discussion. Students are expected to actively participate in the class. Prerequisite: Three credit hours of economics.  

COURSE MATERIALS  
Index Cards: Each student will need several (up to 50) 3” by 5” ruled white index cards and should have two or three cards with them at each class meeting. These will be used for in class writing assignments. Assignments will not be accepted on any other material.  

COURSE REQUIREMENTS AND GRADING CRITERIA  
Students are expected to pursue excellence in all their work. The grades will be weighted as described in the course activities section below. By the nature of the course, some grading will be subjective. For these grades the instructor will assign a numerical grade for each activity according to the following criteria.  

0-59 points  The student/group was obviously ill prepared and/or the results of the activity were very poorly presented.  
60-69 points  The student/group was poorly prepared and/or the results of the activity were poorly presented.  
70-79 points  The student/group had done the minimum preparation necessary to complete and/or present the results of the activity.  
80-89 points  The student/group had done more than the minimum level of preparation required
to complete and/or present the results of the activity with minor flaws in analysis/preparation.

90-100 points  The student/group had done extensive preparation to complete and/or present the results of the activity with very few flaws in analysis/preparation.

Final grades will be assigned according to the following scale.

90-100%=>A, 80-89%=>B, 70-79%=>C, 60-69%=>D, 0-59%=>F

Student using the S-U option must earn a minimum grade of 70 percent to earn the S grade.

**COURSE ACTIVITIES**

The grade for the course will be based on the results of four activities, three exams and a series of brief writing exercises.

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<td>Exam 1  September 21</td>
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<td>Exam 2  October 26</td>
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<td>Final Exam December 7</td>
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Students are expected to read the assigned chapters before they are discussed in class.

Make up exams are given only for official university activities where the instructor has been officially notified of the activity at least one week in advance.

The instructor fully intends to deliver the exams on the scheduled date. However, if there is a need for a change student will be notified at least one week in advance.

The brief writing exercises will be completed in class, written on ruled, white, 3” by 5” index cards. The brief writing assignments will be graded both on content and style. That is to say that grammar, spelling, punctuation, etc… are important. The value of each individual assignment will be small but the sum of the assignments will count for 20 percent of the final grade. Attendance is required. There will be no make-ups of missed brief writing exercises.

**IMPORTANT DATES**

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RELATED INFORMATION

Official Communications

Official outside-of-class-meeting communications will be delivered to the students via their NMSU e-mail and/or through Blackboard. Students are responsible to check for messages daily. Not having checked messages is not a valid excuse for missed assignments, etc...

Student Misconduct

Students should familiarize themselves with the NMSU Student Code of Conduct (http://www.nmsu.edu/~vpsa/SCOC/index.html). Academic misconduct (plagiarism, cheating, etc...) will not be tolerated. The minimum penalty for academic misconduct will be a failing grade for the course and may lead to expulsion from the DED program and University

Special Needs

If you have or believe you have a disability and would benefit from any accommodations, you may wish to self-identify by contacting the Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD) Office

If you have already registered, please make sure that your instructor receives a copy of the accommodation memorandum from SSD within the first two weeks of classes. It is your responsibility to inform either your instructor or SSD representative in a timely manner if services/accommodations provided are not meeting your needs.

If you have a condition which may affect your ability to exit safely from the premises in an emergency or which may cause an emergency during class, you are encouraged to discuss any concerns with the instructor and/or Diana Quintana, Director of University Disability Services. Feel free to call Mr. Gerard Nevarez, Director of Institutional Equity and EEO/ADA Office at 646-3635 with any questions about the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and/or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. All medical information will be treated confidentially.