

Introduction to Business - A

Course Overview

Start the Course

Demonstrate how to switch between windows.

Describe how to move through the course.

Describe how to use this course with different operating systems.

Set Up Your Computer

Set up a computer to show the List folder view and file name extensions

Set Up a Browser and Install 7-Zip

Set up a Web browser

Research and Citation

Define plagiarism and citation

Identify trustworthy sources of information

Additional Materials

Define copyright

List the Top 5 netiquette rules

Economics

Economic Basics

Define business and market

Define economics and scarcity

Identify differences between goods and services

Identify differences between producers and consumers

Identify ways to evaluate an economy's strengths and weaknesses

Capitalism and Competition

Define capitalism and identify its main features

Identify competitive strategies

Identify types of competitors

Identify types of economic systems

Supply and Demand

Identify differences between elastic and inelastic demand

Identify how the law of supply and demand works

Identify the factors of production



Assignment

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Study Guide and Quiz

Review and take the quiz

Costs and Profit

Business Costs

Define gross and net profit

Define unit of sale

Identify differences between revenue and profit

Identify variable and fixed costs

Efficiency and Productivity

Define efficiency, productivity, and division of labor

Identify economies and diseconomies of scale

Identify how the law of diminishing returns works

Identify ways to increase profit

Value and Utility

Define value and how it is determined

Identify types of economic utility and ways to add them

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Business Types

Industries

Identify the main industries of business

Identify types of goods

Identify types of services

Business Structures

Define franchises

Define liability and taxation

Identify considerations in choosing a business structure

Identify types of business ownership



Business Organization

Define market saturation

Identify stages of a business

Identify the main departments and ways to organize a business

Identify the stages in the product life cycle

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Money Management

Money

Define currency and identify forms of currency

Define earned income and unearned income

Define financial goals, prioritizing, and budgeting

Identify the role of the Federal Reserve System

Identify the roles money plays in an economy

Banking

Identify bank security issues and the role of the FDIC

Identify banking services and types of transactions

Identify differences between checking and savings accounts

Investing

Calculate return on investment

Define interest

Identify differences between equity and debt investments

Identify the purpose of investing

Identify types of investment income

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Taxes and Credit

Taxes

Identify common federal, state, and local taxes

Identify how to file taxes

Identify the purpose of payroll withholding

Establishing Credit

Define credit and debt

Identify the purpose of credit history and credit scores

Identify ways to establish credit

Borrowing and Lending

Define loan and line of credit

Identify types of credit a business might offer its customers

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Business Finance

Funding a Business

Define cash flow and forecasting

Identify common business costs

Identify types of funding and types of funders

Accounting

Define accounting and bookkeeping

Identify common accounting methods and software

Identify financial health factors

Identify the purpose of GAAP

Bookkeeping and Reporting

Identify and interpret common financial statements

Identify how single-entry and double-entry accounting work

Risk Management

Define insurance and risk management

Define opportunity cost

Identify causes and types of risk



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Business and Society

Global Trade

Define exchange rate risk

Define global trade and domestic trade

Define globalization

Define importing, exporting, free trade, and tariff

Government Agencies

Define organized labor

Identify common government agencies that affect business

Business Law

Define contracts and torts, and identify common business torts

Identify how the legal system works

Identify types of intellectual property

Business Ethics

Define conflict of interest

Define ethics and ethical behavior

Identify social responsibilities and legal issues involved in business

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Business Planning

Business Opportunities

Identify business ideas and opportunities

Identify how changes and trends create opportunities

Identify opportunities in the global marketplace



Defining a Business

Define mission, vision, and values statements for a business Identify considerations in setting the scope of a business

Business Planning

Identify how to perform a SWOT analysis
Identify the purpose of and parts of a business plan

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Marketing

Marketing Messages

Define market positioning

Identify differences between brand and corporate image

Identify differences between features and benefits

Identify how to form a marketing message

Identify ways to use emotions and problem solving in marketing messages

Market Information Management

Define market segmenting, market research, data storage, and data mining

Identify differences between primary and secondary data

Identify ethical issues in market information management

Identify sources of data

Marketing Tools

Define market penetration strategy

Identify advantages and disadvantages of increasing market share

Identify parts of a marketing plan

Identify the tools in the marketing mix

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Promotion

Promotional Methods

Identify common promotional methods
Identify factors to evaluate in a promotion

Advertising

Identify common advertising methods and types

Identify differences between institutional and product advertising

Identify ways to evaluate advertisements

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Introduction to Business - B

Course Overview

Start the Course

Identify computer requirements

Learn how to move through the course

Switch between windows

Set Up Your Computer

Find files and folders on a computer

Make a course folder

Set up a computer to show the List folder view and file name extensions

Set Up a Browser and Install 7-Zip

Download and install a zip utility

Set up a Web browser

Zip and unzip files and folders

Download and Install Resources

Define plagiarism and citation

Download and install software

Identify trustworthy sources of information

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Principles of Selling

Describe the levels in Maslow's hierarchy of needs Identify differences between marketing and sales

Identify principles of selling

Identify stages a customer goes through

The Sales Process

Describe the importance of customer retention

Identify common sales methods

Identify common ways of paying salespeople

Identify steps in completing a sale

Identify ways of measuring sales quotas

Pricing and Ethics

Describe common ethical issues associated with selling and pricing

Identify common pricing strategies

Identify internal and external factors that affect pricing

Assignment 1R

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Customers, Inventory, and Safety

Serving Customers

Describe how channel management is used and the ethical issues it can create

Describe the role and importance of customer service

Identify factors that contribute to customer expectations

Inventory and Merchandising

Define inventory and merchandising, and describe how they are used

Describe processes for shipping, receiving, and tracking inventory

Identify aspects of visual merchandising used in retail stores

Identify common buying and selling methods



Health and Safety

Identify health and safety regulations

Identify the purpose of material safety data sheets

Identify tips for better ergonomics

Identify tips for protecting against electrical shock and hearing loss

Assignment 2R

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Workplace Skills

Job Performance

Identify factors that contribute to successful job performance

Identify skills and attitudes that make up professionalism

Identify skills related to innovation and confidence

Identify ways to behave ethically in the workplace

Communication Skills

Describe the purpose and importance of negotiation

Identify types of verbal, nonverbal, and written communication

Identify ways in which cultural differences may affect business

Management and Leadership

Define management and leadership

Identify common management roles and management styles

Identify how emotional intelligence is used in business

Identify ways to build successful teams

Identify ways to motivate others and build leadership experience

Assignment 3R

Research and reflect on key concepts from this unit

Submit your research and reflections to your instructor

Study Guide and Quiz

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Career Development

Hiring Employees

Describe the process of finding and reviewing candidates

Describe the process of hiring and orienting employees

Identify ways to prepare for new employees

Career Goals

Identify individual strengths and weaknesses

Identify job opportunities

Set a personal vision and goals

Applying for Jobs

Fill out a practice job application

Identify common parts of a job portfolio

Identify steps to take after an interview

Identify tips for successful interviewing

Assignment 4R

Research and reflect on key concepts from this unit

Submit your research and reflections to your instructor

Study Guide and Quiz

Review and take the quiz

Using the Internet

Technology in Business

Describe how business is conducted over the Internet

Identify benefits of using technology in business

Identify ways in which technology is used in the workplace

Create a Google Account

Create a Google account with a safe and secure username and password

Use the Firefox Web browser

Send and Receive E-mail

Create and send an e-mail using Gmail

Identify parts of an e-mail address and parts of an e-mail

Search the Web

Add bookmarks in Firefox

Identify trustworthy sources of information

Search for information on the Web



Digital Citizenship

Cite sources

Define digital citizenship and digital footprint

Identify ways to communicate safely online

Identify ways to use copyrighted works fairly

Assignment 5S

Add on to your work from this unit

Check your added on work

Check your work from this unit

Submit your work to your instructor by email

Assignment 5R

Research and reflect on key concepts from this unit

Submit your research and reflections to your instructor

Study Guide and Quiz

Review and take the quiz

Word Processing

Create a Document

Begin writing a cover letter

Identify parts of a cover letter

Use OpenOffice.org Writer to create a document

Format and Print Documents

Format the text in a document

Preview a document

Proofread a Document

Define proofreading

Proofread a document for spelling, punctuation, spacing, capitalization, grammar, and clarity

Assignment 6S

Add on to your work from this unit

Check your added on work

Check your work from this unit

Compress (zip) your files

Submit your compressed files to your instructor



Assignment 6R

Research and reflect on key concepts from this unit

Submit your research and reflections to your instructor

Study Guide and Quiz

Review and take the quiz

Presentations

Presentation Basics

Begin creating a presentation with OpenOffice.org Impress

Describe how oral presentations are used in business

Identify ways to create and present an effective presentation

Design Slides and Add Text

Add text to a presentation

Choose slide layouts

Identify formal and informal outlines

Add an Image

Add an image to a presentation

Edit an image

Find and cite images

Assignment 7S

Add on to your work from this unit

Check your added on work

Check your work from this unit

Compress (zip) your files

Submit your compressed files to your instructor

Assignment 7R

Research and reflect on key concepts from this unit

Submit your research and reflections to your instructor

Study Guide and Quiz

Review and take the quiz

Working with Data and Events

Spreadsheets

Add and edit data

Make calculations

Use OpenOffice.org Calc to create a spreadsheet



Creating Databases

Create a database using OpenOffice.org Base

Define primary key

Identify parts of a database

Using Databases

Create a report

Create and use forms

Create records in a database

Perform a query

Events and Collaboration

Identify steps in planning events

Use Google Calendar to create an event

Assignment 8S

Add on to your work from this unit

Check your added on work

Check your work from this unit

Compress (zip) your files

Submit your compressed files to your instructor

Assignment 8R

Research and reflect on key concepts from this unit

Submit your research and reflections to your instructor

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Final Assignment

Final Assignment A

Research and reflect on key concepts from this unit

Submit your research and reflections to your instructor

Final Assignment B

Develop a marketing plan using key concepts from this course

Submit your marketing plan to your instructor