

International Management Studies (IMS) 6204CourseGLOBAL BUSINESS<br/>(Section MBC for Cohort MBA Program)<br/>Mike W. PengMike W. Pengwww.utdallas.edu/~mikepengProfessorProvost's Distinguished Professor<br/>of Global Business StrategyTermFall 2011MeetingsThursday 4-6 PM, Room 2.116

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#### **General Course Information**

Pre-requisites, Co- requisites, & other restrictions Course Description	Completion of first-year core curriculum in the Cohort MBA program This course focuses on the challenges confronting firms that compete in the global economy. Our objectives are (1) to help students master the crucial knowledge needed to answer the most fundamental question in global business: <i>What determines the success and failure of firms around the globe</i> ? and (2) to provide an integrated learning experience in the form of a major project integrating your global business knowledge with previous MBA courses.	
Learning Outcomes	<ul> <li>Beginning to master crucial knowledge needed to answer the most fundamental question in global business: What determines the success and failure of firms around the globe?</li> <li>Analyze the dynamics and directions of international trade and foreign direct investment in the global economy</li> <li>Recognize the significance of economic integration and determine strategies appropriate for the globalization environment</li> <li>Appreciate advantages of diversity, by understanding the "other side" of international business—namely, local firms that often compete and/or collaborate with foreign entrants, especially in emerging economies</li> <li>An opportunity to work on a meaningful, real-world-based integrated learning project integrating your global business knowledge with knowledge gained in previous MBA courses.</li> </ul>	
Required Textbook	<ul> <li>M. W. Peng (2011). <i>Global Business</i> (2nd ed.). South-Western Cengage Learning. (Both ISBNs refer to the same book: ISBN-13: 978-1-4390-4224-3 and ISBN-10: 1-4390-4224-1)</li> <li>To save cost, the best deals can be found at www.cengagebrain.com. Purchase e-book, e-chapters, or print version, savings up to 50%. Text book rentals are available.</li> </ul>	

**Course Policies** 

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Grading (Credit)	<ul> <li>Participation</li> <li>One (1) one-page <i>individual</i> paper (5%) on debates/ethics (not assigned to your group)</li> <li>Contributions to class discussions (15%)</li> </ul>	
Criteria	Two quizzes Team presentation on a debate based on a case Integrated learning project <i>Total</i>	20% 10% 50% <b>100%</b>
One Individual 1- Page Paper (on any debates/ethics topics of your own choosing, other than the one associated with your group case)	<ul> <li>Extra credit quizzes may be given at the prof's discretif</li> <li>Stylistic requirements are: <ul> <li>Typed, and cannot exceed one page, with one the paper. If you have performed extensive or recent Internet posting), you may attach one ponly be a direct printout or a spreadsheet but of You may present your paper in paragraph form is allowed, or in outline form as bullet points.</li> <li>The font size cannot be smaller than 10 (I am point now).</li> <li>Submit a hardcopy at the <i>beginning</i> of the clad does not work at the last minute" is not an acception printers tend to crash or jam right before class <i>submit a hardcopy, you lose 2.5% (one-half)</i></li> <li>While you may form study groups to discuss should be written strictly on an <i>individual</i> base.</li> <li>Note: 1 page means 1 page. No cover page, an you lose points. In other words, let's all save</li> </ul> </li> <li>One-Page Paper(s) on Ethics and/or Debates: Most "as is" and ignore the fact that the field has numerous idebates. <i>Every</i> chapter of the <i>Global Business</i> text has Extensions," some of which have significant ethical di discussion questions on ethics in <i>every</i> chapter). Pick a to write one 1-page paper (<i>single-spaced, no cover pagy you will lose 1 point if you waste 1 sheet on cover pagy you will lose 1 point if you waste 1 sheet on cover pagy you had always intuitively supported A (before taki assigned readings to intellectually support your suppor belief in A, through this course, you now support B. Te This assignment is to be done on an <i>individual</i> basis. A beginning of the class when this debate is discussed.</i></li> </ul>	on inch margin on four sides of itside research (such as most bage as an appendix, which can cannot be your write-up. m, in which case <i>single space</i> using "times new roman" 10 ass—do not email ("My printer ceptable professional excuse. s <sup>©</sup> ). <i>If you email me but fail to</i> <i>of the total of 5%</i> . these questions, the paper sis. nd no p. 2 please—otherwise, some paper. textbooks present knowledge inconclusive but important a section on "Debates and mensions (see also the critical any one debate/ethical dilemma <i>ge please—let's be "green,"</i> <i>ge</i> ). na (less than ½ page), and <i>reading help you understand</i> two contrasting positions A and ng the class). Now you find t for A. Or, despite your initial ell us why. A hardcopy is required at the <i>participate in these debates in</i> e debates and be able to
	Please select a topic <i>not</i> assigned to your group for pre-	esentation.

Two Quizzes	Two close-books/close-notes quizzes will be given on announced dates. These quizzes are designed to test your mastery of the key concepts and your ability to participate in key debates. The two quizzes will not be cumulative.	
Team Presentation on a Debate	I expect students to form groups of 4-5 students (maximum 6 students). As a group, you will present a debate based on a case. It will normally be presented after the lecture is over but before the class discussion begins. You will have 15 minutes and 6 slides. Slide 1 is the mandatory title slide, with all names and emails. So you really only have 5 slides. Use Slides 2 and 3 to summarize the case, and use Slides 4 and 5 to illustrate how the case illustrates a debate. You have complete discretion on Slide 6. It is not mandatory that all members of the group present the case. Please note that the key is <i>not</i> to be comprehensive. The case discussion, after your presentation involving the entire class, will be comprehensive. Do not attempt to summarize the entire case in Slides 2 and 3. Only summarize the relevant information. <i>Please make your slides readable</i> —you will lose points if	
based on a Case	classmates sitting in the back row cannot read the slides you present. Although case discussion questions are helpful, do not attempt to answer them all. The key here is to <i>focus</i> on one debate (as suggested).	
	You choose the most effective format to present the debate. One possibility is to have team member 1 present side A, team member 2 present side B, and then team member 3 play the role of moderator/reconciler. Alternatively, the entire team can represent side A, and engage the rest of the class as side B.	
	Please prepare one hardcopy handout (6 slides printed on 1 sheet) for the professor. Please do not email ahead of time—nobody has that kind of time to open, print, and bring your handout to class. <i>If you email me, you lose 5% of the total of 10%</i> .	
	This group-based major project is designed to help you integrate your global business knowledge with your knowledge from previous MBA courses. The project group should be the same as your case presentation group (see above).	
	Your guiding question is: " <i>How to solve a problem in global business?</i> " The first part will be a case study focusing on a hard-to-tackle global business problem. Examples include:	
	<ul><li>How to profit from the global recession?</li><li>How to divorce from our JV partner while minimizing the damage to our</li></ul>	
	interests and reputation?	
- , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	• How to govern a newly acquired foreign company?	
Integrated Learning Project	• How to be socially responsible while maintaining our financial bottom line? (Example: Our company is losing money and having to lay off people, do we still want to contribute to charities?)	
	• How to withdraw from a foreign market?	
	• How should we approach business in countries in financial trouble? (Example: Assuming we're not in PIGS countries [Portugal, Ireland, Greece, and Spain] now, but now their asset prices are low and the cost for our expansion there is low. However, given their financial trouble and collapsing economy, should we avoid them or should we march in?)	
	Note these are just <i>examples</i> —not an exhaustive list.	
	You are required to work with a company in jointly defining the scope of your actual question. You are responsible for finding an executive contact inside that company. This executive contact should be someone who is willing to provide at least	

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	a one-hour face-to-face meeting with members of the project group at the beginning of the project or to provide significant email exchanges with members of the project group (if the company or contact is out of town). You are expected to mobilize your executive mentors, coaches, career service officers, and other corporate contacts.
	Be considerate of your contact's concerns and constraints. Do as much homework as you can from online and library sources so that when you meet your contact, you demonstrate a superior understanding of the basics concerning the focal industry and the firm. Respect confidentiality (including disguising the company name if necessary). Also be aware that everyone of your project group is a brand ambassador for UTD in the corporate community. So please behave responsibly and professionally. As a courtesy, prior to presenting and submitting your work, please send a copy to your contact for his/her perusal and comments—but don't demand that comments must be provided by a certain deadline.
	One way to view this is to treat this as a consulting report you are preparing for a client. This is essentially an exercise (1) to write your own case study (6-8 pages) and (2) to write your own case analysis (2-4 pages)—for <i>a combined total of</i> ( <i>approximately</i> ) <i>10 pages</i> excluding the title page and any attachments, such as figures, tables, appendix, and references.
	Make sure you use <i>question marks</i> (?) to spell out your question(s). The first part will be a case study focusing on a hard-to-tackle global business problem. Try to follow the format of the cases that we study during the term, give enough details on the background of the firm, and focus on a difficult decision. This part should take approximately 6-8 pages.
	The second part will be your analysis and recommendations to managers in terms of how to proceed, which should take about 2-4 pages (similar to your case analysis mentioned earlier)—at least 1 page should be devoted to <i>recommendations</i> . Your analysis should draw on theories and concepts from at least 2 chapters of our textbook.
	All together, the ideal length is 10 pages, excluding attachments such as figures and tables. In terms of the attachments, please be reasonable. <i>Under no circumstances can the total report (all inclusive) exceed 20 pages—I will stop reading after p. 20.</i>
	The <i>best</i> papers will show evidence of some investigative efforts—digging for more information, interviews/phone calls/emails with managers—and of synthesis and careful editing. They will also be insightful, going beyond the most obvious lessons to draw out the story behind the story.
	The quality will be evaluated along content and process dimensions (60% and 40%, respectively). Careful editing is expected. Simply "cut and paste" sections written by different coauthors will result in a very poor grade. <i>Appendix 1 gives a complete list of the grading criteria—pay attention</i> !
	In addition to executive interviews, outside research is expected. Please properly document your sources either in footnotes/endnotes or in (author name, year) format with a reference list attached at the end of your work—Please see the section on "Scholarly Professionalism and Citizenship" for more information.
	<ul> <li>One inch margins should be left on four sides of the paper, and the font size cannot be smaller than 10 (I am using "times new roman" 10 point now).</li> <li>On the title page, alphabetically list all authors. Everybody's email is required.</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>Also on the title page, include a 1-paragraph, double-spaced <i>executive summary</i> (less than 100 words)—don't miss it; otherwise, you risk losing 5%.</li> <li><i>Double space</i> your main text (references and tables can use single space).</li> </ul>	
	Each group will give a presentation to the rest of the class on the last day of class <i>with no more than 12 minutes and no more than 12 slides</i> (slide 1 will be a required title page with names and emails). In addition to the presentation, the following items are required for submission on the presentation day:	
	<ul> <li>Hardcopies of (1) the paper and (2) the slides to give to the professor—please print 6 slides to 1 sheet, double-sided, resulting in one page.</li> <li>Softcopies of Word and PowerPoint files emailed to my TA (unless he instructs you to submit to eLearning).</li> </ul>	
	Normally, everybody in the group gets the same grade. However, if there is any significant free rider, please file a complaint against this individual—the form is posted on eLearning. Your complaint will be stronger if there are other members in your group who also file their complaints. I will investigate and talk to that individual. Therefore, anonymous complaint cannot be entertained. You will have to report your name, and your name will be revealed to the person against whom you complain. Please note this complaint mechanism is totally <i>optional</i> , and I hope none will need to use it.	
	Since the course is built almost exclusively around the case method, attendance and participation are very important and required of each student. As in the real world, the cases are rich in detail, yet open-ended and incomplete at the same time. Therefore, do not approach a case as you would a book chapter or a magazine article. In order to derive maximum benefit from the case method, it is essential that you mentally "get inside" the case.	
	Class participation will be graded based on the subjective assessment of the professor for each class. <i>Given the extensive group-based work and the high-caliber of the</i> <i>students, my previous experience suggested that this is likely to be a <u>key</u> area of <i>differentiation in your final grade</i>. It is possible that after you have achieved very high grades on all other components, you still fail to secure an A because your participation lags behind your peers. Obviously, you cannot participate if you miss the class. However, please note that you will not earn full mark for "class participation" if you simply show up.</i>	
Class Participation	<ul> <li><u>"Dos" for Class Discussions</u></li> <li>Keep an open mind</li> <li>Relate outside experience</li> <li>Be provocative and constructive</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li><u>"Don'ts" for Class Discussions</u></li> <li>Do not make sudden topic changes; recognize the flow of discussion</li> <li>Do not repeat yourself and others</li> <li>Do not "cut" others to "score points"</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Remember it is the <i>quality</i> of your participation, not the quantity (or "air time"), that will lead to good performance in class discussion. The following criteria are employed:</li> <li><i>Excellent</i> class participation: The student consistently attends class, consistently contributes to case discussions, and consistently demonstrates superior understanding and insights</li> </ul>	

Make-up Exams Extra Credit Late Work Special Assignments	<ul> <li><i>Good</i> class participation: The student consistently attends class, consistently contributes to case discussions, and occasionally demonstrates superior understanding and insights</li> <li><i>Mediocre</i> class participation: The student inconsistently attends class, inconsistently contributes to case discussions, and rarely demonstrates superior understanding and insights.</li> <li>No</li> <li>Possible extra-credit quizzes may be given, at the discretion of the professor</li> <li>Late written assignment will be downgraded by 10% every business day</li> <li>No</li> <li>You are expected to exhibit the <i>highest</i> level of professionalism and courtesy in and out of class. Minimum behavioral expectations include:         <ul> <li>Turn off cell phones, beepers, and pagers while in class.</li> <li>Arrive punctually to class (if you have to be late in arrival or to depart early, please find a seat closer to the door in a non-disruptive manner).</li> <li>Do not use your laptop to undertake non-class related activities (such as checking emails)—your privilege of using laptop may be stopped if you are</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Academic Professionalism and Citizenship	<ul> <li>Statistic content of the second state of the second state</li></ul>
<u>NOTES from the</u> <u>Bureaucracy</u>	Your mastery of the following notes will be tested during a pop quiz— <i>just kidding!</i>
Student Conduct and Discipline	The UT System and UTD have rules and regulations for the orderly and efficient conduct of their business. It is the responsibility of each student and each student organization to be knowledgeable about the rules and regulations which govern student conduct and activities. General information on student conduct and discipline is contained in the UTD publication, <i>A to Z Guide</i> , which is provided to all registered students each academic year. UTD administers student discipline within the procedures of recognized and established due process. Procedures are defined and described in the <i>Rules and Regulations, Board of Regents, The University of Texas System, Part 1, Chapter VI, Section 3</i> , and in Title V, Rules on Student Services and Activities of the university's <i>Handbook of Operating Procedures</i> . Copies of these rules and regulations are available to students in the Office of the Dean of Students, where staff members are available to assist students in interpreting the rules and regulations (972/883-6391). A student at the university neither loses the rights nor escapes the responsibilities of citizenship. He or she is expected to obey federal, state, and local laws as well as the university regulations, and administrative rules. Students are subject to discipline for violating the standards of conduct whether such conduct takes place on or off campus, or whether civil or criminal penalties are also imposed for such conduct.

	The faculty expects from its students a high level of responsibility and academic
	honesty. Because the value of an academic degree depends upon the absolute integrity of the work done by the student for that degree, it is imperative that a student demonstrate a high standard of individual honor in his or her scholastic work.
Academic Integrity	Scholastic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, statements, acts or omissions related to applications for enrollment or the award of a degree, and/or the submission as one's own work or material that is not one's own. As a general rule, scholastic dishonesty involves one of the following acts: cheating, plagiarism, collusion and/or falsifying academic records. Students suspected of academic dishonesty are subject to disciplinary proceedings.
	Plagiarism, especially from the web, from portions of papers for other classes, and from any other source is unacceptable and will be dealt with under the university's policy on plagiarism (see general catalog for details). This course will use the resources of turnitin.com, which searches the web for possible plagiarism and is over 90% effective.
Email Use	UTD recognizes the value and efficiency of communication between faculty/staff and students through electronic mail. At the same time, email raises some issues concerning security and the identity of each individual in an email exchange. The university encourages all official student email correspondence be sent only to a student's UTD email address and that faculty and staff consider email from students official only if it originates from a UTD student account. This allows the university to maintain a high degree of confidence in the identity of all individual corresponding and the security of the transmitted information. UTD furnishes each student with a free email account that is to be used in all communication with university personnel. The Department of Information Resources at UTD provides a method for students to have their UTD mail forwarded to other accounts.
Withdrawal from Class	The administration of this institution has set deadlines for withdrawal of any college- level courses. These dates and times are published in that semester's course catalog. Administration procedures must be followed. It is the student's responsibility to handle withdrawal requirements from any class. In other words, I cannot drop or withdraw any student. You must do the proper paperwork to ensure that you will not receive a final grade of "F" in a course if you choose not to attend the class once you are enrolled.
Student Grievance Procedures	Procedures for student grievances are found in Title V, Rules on Student Services and Activities, of the university's <i>Handbook of Operating Procedures</i> . In attempting to resolve any student grievance regarding grades, evaluations, or other fulfillments of academic responsibility, it is the obligation of the student first to make a serious effort to resolve the matter with the instructor, supervisor, administrator, or committee with whom the grievance originates (hereafter called "the respondent"). Individual faculty members retain primary responsibility for assigning grades and evaluations. If the matter cannot be resolved at that level, the grievance must be submitted in writing to the respondent with a copy of the respondent's School Dean. If the matter is not resolved by the written response provided by the respondent, the student may submit a written appeal to the School Dean. If the grievance is not resolved by the School Dean's decision, the student may make a written appeal to the Dean of Graduate or Undergraduate Education, and the deal will appoint and convene an Academic Appeals Panel. The decision of the Academic Appeals Panel is final. The results of the academic appeals process will be distributed to all involved parties. Copies of these rules and regulations are available to students in the Office of the Dean of Students, where staff members are available to assist students in interpreting the rules and regulations.
Incomplete Grades	As per university policy, incomplete grades will be granted only for work

	unavoidably missed at the semester's end and only if 70% of the course work has been completed. An incomplete grade must be resolved within eight (8) weeks from the first day of the subsequent long semester. If the required work to complete the course and to remove the incomplete grade is not submitted by the specified deadline, the incomplete grade is changed automatically to a grade of $\underline{F}$ .	
Disability Services	The goal of Disability Services is to provide students with disabilities educational opportunities equal to those of their non-disabled peers. Disability Services is located in room 1.610 in the Student Union. Office hours are Monday and Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.; Tuesday and Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.; and Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Please contact: UTD Office of Disability Services, SU 22 PO Box 830688, Richardson, Texas 75083-0688 (972) 883-2098 (voice or TTY) Essentially, the law requires that colleges and universities make those reasonable adjustments necessary to eliminate discrimination on the basis of disability. For example, it may be necessary to remove classroom prohibitions against tape recorders or animals (in the case of dog guides) for students who are blind. Occasionally an assignment requirement may be substituted (for example, a research paper versus an oral presentation for a student who is hearing impaired). Classes enrolled students with mobility impairments may have to be rescheduled in accessible facilities. The college or university may need to provide special services such as registration, note-taking, or mobility assistance.	
Religious Holy Days	or during office hours.UTD will excuse a student from class or other required activities for the travel to ar observance of a religious holy day for a religion whose places of worship are exemp from property tax under Section 11.20, Tax Code, Texas Code Annotated.The student is encouraged to notify the instructor or activity sponsor as soon as possible regarding the absence, preferably in advance of the assignment. The student so excused, will be allowed to take the exam or complete the assignment within a reasonable time after the absence: a period equal to the length of the absence, up to maximum of one week. A student who notifies the instructor and completes any missed exam or assignment may not be penalized for the absence. A student who fa to complete the exam or assignment.If a student or an instructor disagrees about the nature of the absence [i.e., for the purpose of observing a religious holy day] or if there is similar disagreement about whether the student has been given a reasonable time to complete any missed assignments or examinations, either the student or the instructor may request a rulir from the chief executive officer or designee must take into account the legislative intent of TEC 51.911(b), and the student and instructor will abide by the decision of the chief	
Off-Campus Instruction and Course Activities	executive officer or designee. Off-campus, out-of-state, and foreign instruction and activities are subject to state law and University policies and procedures regarding travel and risk-related activities. Information regarding these rules and regulations may be found at <u>http://www.utdallas.edu/BusinessAffairs/Travel_Risk_Activities.htm</u> . Additional information is available from the office of the school dean.	

# Academic Calendar<sup>1</sup>

Date	Cases (discussion questions are at the end of each case—try to	Chapters (always read Closing Case and
Dute	answer them)	try to answer case discussion questions)
8/25	GE innovates from the base of the pyramid (p. 27)	Ch 1: Globalizing business
9/1	The Chinese menu (for development) (p. 125)	Ch 2: Understanding formal institutions:
<i>)</i> /1	DEBATE: Drivers of economic development: Culture,	Politics, laws, and economics
	geography, or institutions (p. 46)	i ondes, iaws, and economics
9/8	Siemens needs to clean up around the globe (p. 89)	Ch 3: Emphasizing informal institutions:
210	DEBATE: Are some Siemens employees "bad apples" or is	Cultures, norms, and ethics
	Siemens a "bad barrel"? (Q4, p. 91)	
9/15	Private military companies (p. 445)	Ch 4: Leveraging resources and
,,	DEBATE: Whose rules should PMCs follow?	capabilities
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9/22	Cut salaries or cut jobs? (p. 525)	Ch 15: Managing human resources
	DEBATE: Across-the-board pay cut versus reduction in force	globally
9/29	Soybeans in China (p. 280)	Ch 5: Trading internationally (Part 1)
	DEBATE: Does China have an absolute or comparative	
	advantage in soybean production (Q1, p. 282)	
10/6	NO CASE (Quiz day: covering Ch 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 15)	Ch 5: Trading internationally (Part 2)
		<u>QUIZ 1</u>
10/13	DP World (p. 283)	Ch 6: Investing abroad directly
	DEBATE: Facilitating vs. confronting FDI (p. 196)	
10/20	Whose law is bigger: Arbitrating government-firm investment	Ch 8: Capitalizing on global and
	disputes in the EU (p. 267)—taught by TA/case author	regional integration
	DEBATE: Pros vs. cons of EU expansion—from the	
	perspective of EU and US MNEs (pp. 253-256)	
10/27	Huawei's Internationalization (p. 449)	Ch 10: Entering foreign markets
	DEBATE: Old-line vs. emerging multinationals (p. 342)	EXTRA READING: M. W. Peng
		(2012), The global strategy of emerging
	BONUS TALK: The global strategy of emerging	multinationals from China, Global
	multinationals from China	Strategy Journal (forthcoming)—
		download from www.mikepeng.com, go
11/3	Hong Kong's Occor Darly Learning to live with Dignardand (n	to "journal articles"
11/5	Hong Kong's Ocean Park: Learning to live with Disneyland (p. 454) DEBATE: Local firms vs. MNEs: Are local firms sitting	Ch 11: Managing global competitive
	ducks? (p. 367)	dynamics
11/10	Nomura integrates Lehman Brothers in Asia and Europe (p.	Ch 12: Making alliances and
11/10	407) DEBATE: M&As + alliances (p. 400). In this case: the	acquisitions work
	concern is that Nomura and LB had never had any strategic	acquisitions work
	alliance relationship; such a jump into acquisitions is often	
	viewed highly risky. What do you think?	
11/17	DHL Bangladesh (p. 461)	Ch 13: Strategizing, structuring, and
	DEBATE: Pakistan version vs. local version (Q4, p. 467)	learning around the world
	(Quiz day: covering Ch 6, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13)	<u>QUIZ 2</u>
11/24	Thanksgiving holiday	
12/1	Presentations / projects due	
	• Submit to the professor hardcopies of your project and	
	your slides (6 slides on 1 sheet please) before you	
	start to present	
	• Email your softcopies (both Word and PowerPoint) to	
	the TA no later than 12 midnight, December 2 (please	
	don't email the professor)	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Minor changes may be made in the course content as the semester progresses.

#### Appendix 1: Grading Criteria for Your Term Project

- I. Content Issues (60%)
  - (a) Clarity of the story line (10%)
  - (b) *Use of concepts and theories* applied to the case (20%)
  - (c) Reasonableness of analysis (10%)
  - (d) Appropriateness of *recommendations/conclusions* (20%)

#### II. Process Issues (40%)\*

- (a) Effectiveness of presentation (20%)
   (including speech posture, maintaining eye contact with the audience instead of reading off the script, use of visual aids, timing, and answer of questions)
- (b) Effectiveness of written reports (20%) (including readability, flow, logic, and organization; writing mechanics, such as free of grammatical and spelling errors, use of sections and headings, and page numbering; use of literature; and attachments such as graphs, tables, and calculations, whenever applicable)

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