Basics in Entrepreneurship (EM023M27)

Program	PGE
Module / ECTS / Path / Specialisation	Module :Basics in Entrepreneurship : 5 ECTS. ■ Visitants
Discipline	
Year	2019
Semester	A
Open for visitors	yes (5 ECTS)
Available places	40

Coordinator

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Lecturers

Instructor	Population	Email
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Course format

Working language :	English
Volume of contact hours :	27 h
Workload to be expected by the student :	108 h

Course track

Track: Attendance

"Attendance" track:

Attendance at lecture / tutorial classes and intermediate / final exams is mandatory. As evaluation of in class work constitutes an essential element of grading, any absence will be penalized and is taken into account for grading purposes (see academic rules and regulations).

"Autonomous" track:

Attendance at intermediate / final exams is mandatory, but students are free to attend lecture / tutorial classes.

For all Master programs and all other programs realized in the form of dual internships (apprentissage), attendence at lecture / tutorial classes and intermediate / final exams is entirely mandatory. Therefore, only the "Attendance" track can be selected.

Contribution of the course to the educational objectives of the programme

How the course contributes to the programme :

Description

This course aims at discussing the basic building blocks of starting a business. The course tackles both theory and practice. Though the theoretical part of the course focuses on the cognitive dimensions of an entrepreneur, the students will be able to explore by themselves the practical side of starting a business. They will find themselves in the situations of uncertainty and complexity, with which they would need to deal by using the means they have at hand. In addition, the course will provide them an opportunity to talk to an entrepreneur of their choice and discuss his or her experience.

Classes include lectures, discussions and case studies, which means that students are invited to share their opinion and insights. Group exercises will also be used in the course.

Educational organisation

In class

Lectures

In groups

Exercises

Projects

Case studies/texts

Oral presentations

Interaction

Discussions / debates

Learning outcomes

Upon completion of this course, students should be able to::

- **Define** entrepreneurial cognitive dimensions
- Discuss the difference between an expert and a novice entrepreneur
- Use the means at hand to build an entrepreneurial project
- Analyze entrepreneurial behaviour and cognition
- Design and develop an entrepreneurial project.

Outline

Session 1,2,9: Introduction to entrepreneurial cognition (theory and assessment)

Session 3-4: Building and entrepreneurial project

Session 5-6: Into the Wild

Session 7-8: Interview with an Entrepreneur

Prerequisites

Key concepts to understand:

Knowledge of:

NA

Teaching material

Recommended reading

Major works:

Sarasvathy, S.D. (2001), Causation and effectuation: Toward a theoretical shift from economic inevitability to entrepreneurial contingency, Academy of Management Review.

Baron, R.A. and Ensley, M.D. (2006), Opportunity Recognition as the Detection of Meaningful Patterns: Evidence from Comparisons of Novice and Experienced Entrepreneurs, Management Science. Ericsson A.K., Prietula, M.J. and Cokely E.T. (2007), The Making of an Expert, Harvard Business Review.

Further reading:

Research works by EM Strasbourg:

Djuricic, K. and Bootz, JP. (2018), Effectuation and foresight – An exploratory study of the implicit links between the two concepts, Technological Forecasting and Social Change.

Djuricic, K. and Lambert G. (2018), What is causal in effectuation - An examination of philosophical foundations in Sarasvathy's work, AGECSO Conference, Montreal.

Assessment

Intermediate evaluation / continuous assessment 1 : session n°5, 6 and 9

oral (15 min) / in group / English / weighting : 40%

additional information: Group assignment: Absence from the sessions 5 and 6 will result in 0

This evaluation serves to measure LO1.1, LO2.1, LO2.2

Intermediate evaluation / continuous assessment 2 : session n°8

written (120 min) / individual / English / weighting: 40%

additional information: Absence from this session will result in 0

Intermediate evaluation / continuous assessment 3 : Submission on Moodle

written + oral (15 min) / individual / English / weighting : 20% additional information : Teamwork - for each group assignment

Grounds for expulsion from classes

Such behaviors as...

arriving late, leaving early or unannounced leaving of the classroom during class time

disruptive eating or drinking in class

using smartphones and laptops for non class-related purposes

reading non class-related documents

chatting on non class-related issues showing disrespect towards lecturers

... may lead to expulsion from classes.