COURSE SYLLABUS

Instructor
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Office Hours
• Monday 2-5pm
• Tuesday 10-12am
• Wednesday 2-5pm
• Thursday 10-12p

Drop Date
• Last day to drop full-semester classes and receive 100% financial credit: Wednesday August 27, 2014.
• August 28 to October 31: Grade of W issued for approved drops, no financial credit.

Prerequisites
• None

Credit Hours
• 3 credit hours.

Course Description
Team Preparation for ABC Student Chapter Construction Management Competition, aftermath, and Synchro Scheduling Competition.

Course Overview
• The purpose of this course is to provide a common meeting time for students committed and registered for the ABC Student Chapter Construction Management Competition on November 7-11, 2014 in Miami, FL. Students will also be required to perform post-competition analysis and time permitting compete in an additional competition.

Course Outcome(s)
This course will culminate with participation of a student team in one or more student competitions representing the School of Construction-Construction Engineering Technology and Architectural Engineering programs. Students will be forced to integrate their previous (and future) course competencies into a simulated, unified exercise which emulates actual industry practices.

Student Learning Outcomes
1. Organize and plan teamwork.
2. Assess team work progress (or lack of) to date, and to make adjustment.
3. Produce deliverables on planned milestone dates.
4. Efficiency working in teams, including respect and value of diversity.
5. Produce documents for pre-construction planning.

Course Communication
Student-instructor contact will occur via the following:
- During class.
- During instructor’s office hours.

**Required Text (s) and Readings**
ABC provided completion/contract documents, forms, exhibits, and proposals.
AACE, International Recommended Practice: Schedule Basis

**Technology Requirements**
- A broadband internet connection is required to view videos, access Trimble Business Center, and to consume delivery of the course in general. Please do not attempt with dial-up internet connection bandwidths.

  **Software:**
  - Internet Browser: A BlackBoard Website shell will be used as the course delivery and communication tool. Microsoft Excel: Field notes and computations will be documented in part with use of a Microsoft Excel compatible spreadsheet. Students which do not have access to a licensed version of Excel can download and use Apache Open Office at no charge at this link: [http://www.openoffice.org/](http://www.openoffice.org/) provided that the work is saved in the format specified by the instructor (.xls or .xlsx).
  - Microsoft Office OneNote and or Excel: For field notes. This application is offered for free through The School of Construction’s MSDNAA license agreement with Microsoft and can be obtained at this link: [http://e5.onthehub.com/WebStore/ProductsByMajorVersionList.aspx?ws=e7051878-e69be011-969d-0030487d8897&vsro=8&JSEnabled=1](http://e5.onthehub.com/WebStore/ProductsByMajorVersionList.aspx?ws=e7051878-e69be011-969d-0030487d8897&vsro=8&JSEnabled=1)
  - Trimble Business Center is an online repository and application which may be required. The instructor will offer directions for use and log-in, there is nothing to procure with the exception of desktop plug-ins, and no additional cost to the student (broadband required).

**Hardware**
Students are expected to be able to use and maintain a personal computer, keeping it free of viruses and malware, and have the ability to troubleshoot web browser issues, such as cookies and java versions. If these are skills which you have not obtained or are not willing to obtain during the delivery of the course, I suggest that you drop and wait for the face-to-face delivery of the course in a different term.

Please do not rely or depend upon the instructor for technical support. For Blackboard technical support can be found at this link: [http://bbcrm.edusupportcenter.com/ics/support/default.asp?deptID=8140](http://bbcrm.edusupportcenter.com/ics/support/default.asp?deptID=8140) and or Itech: [http://www.usm.edu/itech](http://www.usm.edu/itech). There will be times when students will need to notify the instructor of glitches/bugs in blackboard, or mistakes/oversights by the instructor in building the course. In such cases, please report the following at a minimum:
- Your operating system
- Which browser you are using (in many instances, changing browsers may solve your problem).
- Which version of Java you have installed.
- What processes you have conducted to troubleshoot the problem/issue.

**Class Attendance Policy**
- When an absence is necessary, or an assignment missed, the student is responsible for providing an explanation to faculty. A verified excuse must be obtained from The Office of Student Oriented Services: [http://www.usm.edu/student-affairs/office-student-oriented-services](http://www.usm.edu/student-affairs/office-student-oriented-services)

**Evaluation Criteria**

1. Attendance 20%
2. Milestones-Defined 20%
3. Milestones-Met 20%
4. Peer Review 20%
5. Deliverables  

20%

Grading Scale 90-100 A  
80-89 B  
70-79 C  
60-69 D  
0-60 F

Late Assignments or Projects  
• Late work will not be accepted without documentation of extreme circumstances such as death and illness. When an absence is necessary, or an assignment missed, the student is responsible for providing an explanation to faculty. A verified excuse must be obtained from The Office of Student Oriented Services:  
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Academic Honesty  
The following is from the USM Undergraduate Bulletin:

“When cheating is discovered, the faculty member may give the student an F on the work involved or in the course. If further disciplinary action is deemed appropriate, the student should be reported to the Dean of Students. In addition to being a violation of academic honesty, cheating violates the Code of Student Conduct and may be grounds for probation, suspension, and/or expulsion. Students on disciplinary suspension may not enroll in any courses offered by The University of Southern Mississippi.”

ADA Syllabus Statement for the Hattiesburg Campus  
If a student has a disability that qualifies under the American with Disabilities Act (ADA) and requires accommodations, he/she should contact the Office for Disability Accommodations (ODA) for information on appropriate policies and procedures. Disabilities covered by ADA may include learning, psychiatric, physical disabilities, or chronic health disorders. Students can contact ODA if they are not certain whether a medical condition/disability qualifies.  

Address:  
The University of Southern Mississippi, Office for Disability Accommodations  
118 College Drive # 8586, Hattiesburg, MS 39406-0001  
Voice Telephone: (601) 266-5024 or (228) 214-3232  
Fax: (601) 266-6035  
Individuals with hearing impairments can contact ODA using the Mississippi Relay Service at 1-800-582-2233 (TTY) or email Suzy Hebert at Suzanne.Hebert@usm.edu.