Montgomery County Community College OFM 161 Modern Office Management 3-3-0

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course emphasizes the essential skills required for administrative assistants working in a contemporary office environment. Topics include: typical office protocols, time management, office equipment and technology, records management, meeting and travel planning, and proper business communication. Students will develop their customer service, teamwork, and problem solving skills via real-world office simulations.

REQUISITES:

Previous Course Requirements
None

Concurrent Course Requirements
None

LEARNING OUTCOMES	LEARNING ACTIVITIES	EVALUATION METHODS
Upon successful		
completion of this course,		
the student will be able to:		
1. Describe current	Research Resources	Simulations
responsibilities of an	Readings	Projects
administrative	Discussion/Lecture	Quizzes
professional.	Guest Speakers	Reports
	Team Projects	
2. Recommend solutions to	Discussion/Lecture	Simulations
business problems.	Readings	Projects
	Research Resources	Reports
	Case Studies	
3. Collaborate with others	Discussion/Lecture	Simulations
to address typical office	Readings	Projects
scenarios in a team	Interviews	Reports
environment.	Team Project	

LEARNING OUTCOMES Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:	LEARNING ACTIVITIES	EVALUATION METHODS
4. Prepare a variety of properly formatted and composed forms of written communication appropriate for typical business situations.	Discussion/Lecture Readings Case Study Simulations Projects	Memos Letters Resumes Executive Summaries Presentations Reports ePortfolio
5. Arrange a business meeting, trip, or conference.	Discussion/Lecture Readings Case Study	Simulations Projects Reports
6. Complete a job interview in conformity with established business practices.	Discussion/Lecture Readings Case Study	Simulations Projects
7. Apply professional customer service principles to a variety of multimedia simulation activities.	Research Resources Readings Discussion/Lecture Case Study	Simulations Projects Reports

At the conclusion of each semester/session, assessment of the learning outcomes will be completed by course faculty using the listed evaluation method(s). Aggregated results will be submitted to the Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs. The benchmark for each learning outcome is that 70% of students will meet or exceed outcome criteria.

SEQUENCE OF TOPICS:

- 1. Today's Modern Office
- 2. General Responsibilities and Procedures
 - a. Routine
 - b. Telephone Techniques
 - c. Mail Services
 - d. Travel Arrangements
 - e. Meetings
 - f. Time Management
 - g. Accurate Record Keeping
- 3. Office Equipment and Technology
 - a. Office Equipment

- b. Email
- c. Web Conferencing
- d. Data Security
- e. Troubleshooting
- f. Office Ergonomics
- 4. Business Documents
 - a. Preparing and Distributing Letters
 - b. Formal Written Communications
 - c. Legal Documents
- 5. Financial Activities
 - a. Bookkeeping and Accounting
 - b. Business Taxes
 - c. Banking
 - d. Business Math
- 6. Career Advancement
 - a. Your Future
 - b. Presentation Skills
 - c. Communication Skills
 - d. Office Management and Supervision
- 7. Workplace Team and Environment
- 8. Ethical Theories and Behaviors
- 9. Customer Service

LEARNING MATERIALS:

Stroman, James. (2014). *Administrative Assistant's and Secretary's Handbook*. AMACOM., ISBN # 0814433529.

Other learning materials, including Open Educational Resources (OER) may be required and made available directly to the student and/or via the College's Libraries and/or course management system.

COURSE APPROVAL:

Prepared by: Kimberly Mangan and Theresa Sullivan Date: 1/2014

VPAA/Provost or designee Compliance Verification:

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Revised by: Theresa Sullivan Date: 3/5/2020 Provost or designee Compliance Verification: Date: 3/6/2020

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This course is consistent with Montgomery County Community College's mission. It was developed, approved and will be delivered in full compliance with the policies and procedures established by the College.