## Subject Description Form

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### Pre-requisite/ Co-requisite/ Exclusion
- **Pre-requisite:** Organisation & Management (MM2021) or equivalent

### Role and Purposes
This subject contributes to the achievement of the seven (7) of the degree program’s BBA (Hons) Learning Outcomes. In so doing, this subject provides students with an understanding of the entrepreneurial process, the establishment as well as the management of a venture. Both conceptual (understanding entrepreneurship, the entrepreneur, and entrepreneurial environment), and technical issues (growing, managing and financing a venture) will be covered. Issues such as creativity, e-commerce and family business will also be addressed.

### Subject Learning Outcomes
Upon completion of the subject, students will be able to:
- a. develop an understanding of entrepreneurship and the entrepreneurial process from both a historical and a research perspective (BBA Outcomes 2 & 5);
- b. identify the attributes and attitudes of the entrepreneur (BBA Outcome 5);
- c. integrate functional areas, particularly the managing and financing issues, into a venture creation and growth (BBA Outcome 8);
- d. evaluate performance measures for enterprise management and identify growth problems in the transition from artisan to entrepreneurial identity and at other stages of growth (BBA Outcomes 2 & 10);
- e. know how to foster innovativeness and creativity in organizations especially the established ones (BBA Outcome 3);
- f. apply the skills and knowledge of launching a venture;
- g. identify a business idea and write a business plan that communicates the viability of that idea for a new business (BBA Outcomes 1 & 3);
- h. develop the communication and critical thinking skills needed to present and respond to critical questions related to one’s business plan (BBA Outcome 1);
- i. enhance one’s ability to engage in entrepreneurial behaviour by developing capabilities related to opportunity identification, evaluation, and resource generation (BBA Outcomes 8, 9 & 10).

### Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus
**The Nature and development of entrepreneurship**
- Definition of entrepreneurship; economic and non-economic influences on entrepreneurship; the current status of entrepreneurship in selected countries; entrepreneurship models - aspiring entrepreneurs, opportunistic entrepreneurs, collaborative affiliation, venture incubator.

*Jun 2017 (4YC, 2018/2019) MM4351 Entrepreneurship*
Becoming an entrepreneur: internally driven or externally determined?
The personal profiles of entrepreneurs, including their attributes, skills and competencies. The impact of the external environment on entrepreneurship. Special reference is made to the context of Hong Kong.

Developing a business plan
Discussion of the various aspects of developing a business plan for a new business.

Venture financing and valuation
The nature of venture capital, the venture capital industry, evaluation processes, and approaches to obtaining venture capital. Discussion of various pricing approaches and valuation approaches used when buying a business.

Stages of growth and approaches to venture growth
Acquisition, merger, takeover, franchising, and natural growth as means to achieve growth.

Creativity and innovation
Creativity as the source of business ideas and innovation as the successful implementation of those ideas. Conceptual frameworks and specific techniques to foster creativity and innovation.

Family business issues
Family business issues, especially business succession. Discussion of the Chinese family business and its historical links to entrepreneurial activity, especially by the overseas Chinese.

Harvest Strategies
Options for cashing out from successful ventures and going public.

Corporate entrepreneurship
Discussion on how to act as a corporate entrepreneur and how to foster entrepreneurship within organisations.

Teaching/Learning Methodology
Lectures will equip students with adequate knowledge of entrepreneurial qualities and small business management. Local entrepreneurs will be invited to give guest lectures. Seminars are structured to enhance students’ understanding of relevant concepts through various kinds of activities, including group case analysis, discussion and role play. Working on a group basis, students will be expected to prepare a business plan for a new venture.

Assessment Methods in Alignment with Intended Learning Outcomes

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*Weighting of assessment methods/tasks in continuous assessment may be different, subject to each subject lecturer.

To pass this subject, students are required to obtain Grade D or above in BOTH the Continuous Assessment and Examination components.

**Explanation of the appropriateness of the assessment methods in assessing the intended learning outcomes:**

Business plan – Students are required to prepare a business plan and present their work by applying subject knowledge.

Individual assignment – Students are required to submit an individual work by addressing the core principles and concepts of the subject syllabus.

Class participation – Feedback is given to students immediately following the presentations. All students are invited to join this discussion to demonstrate their understanding of the core principles and concepts of the subject syllabus.

Examination – Students are required to answer questions that assess their abilities to apply the core principles and concepts of the subject syllabus.

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**Student Study Effort Expected**

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<td>Lectures</td>
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<td>Preparation for lectures/seminars</td>
<td>39 Hrs.</td>
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<td>Preparation for business plan, individual assignment and examination</td>
<td>78 Hrs.</td>
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Total student study effort: 156 Hrs.

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**Reading List and References**

**Recommended Textbook**

**References**


