

# BA 5320 - Global Environments of Bus: Global Environments of Bus (Sub II- July 08 to Aug 23)

Summer 2024 Syllabus, Section 780, CRN 51723

## **Instructor Information**

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## **Times and Location**

Does Not Meet Face-to-Face

## **Course Description**

## **Student Learning Outcomes**

- CO1: Define and explain basic concepts and theories that aid in the understanding of the global business environment in its political, economic, technological, and socio#cultural dynamics.
- CO2: Distinguish and apply the available competitive strategies (Global Business Strategic Process) in Global Business.
- CO3: interpret and assess basic data and information within the context of international business to formulate and present international business strategy.
- CO4: Identify key ethical issues faced by international business men and women and explain international ethical decision making.

## **Important Dates**

Visit the Academic Calendar (tamiu.edu) (https://www.tamiu.edu/academiccalendar/) page to view the term's important dates.

# Textbooks

Group	Title	Author	ISBN
Optional	Global Business	Mike W. Peng	978#1305500891

# **Grading Criteria**

**Final Grade Calculation** 

The final grade will be computed to include the ten highest Quizzes, three exams, six discussion boards. The weights for each of these rubrics are presented below. It is important to note that the final exam is exam 3.



Assessments Percentages			
Exam I:	20		
Exam II:	20		
Exam III (Final):	20		
Quizzes:	20		
Discussion Boards: 20			
	100		
Total Percentage for Course			

#### Please don't forget to remove these instructions.]

GRADE	PERCENTAGE
A	91-100
В	80-90.9
C	70-79.9
D	60-69.9
F	Below 60

## **Schedule of Topics and Assignments**

Week of	Agenda/Topic	Reading(s)	Due
7/8	Intro to course and Chap 1	Read Syllabus and chapter 1	First DB: 07/08 Reply and Q1: 07/14
7/15	Chap 2#3	Read chaps & video	First DB: 07/15 Reply and Q2#3: 07/21
7/22	Chap 4	Read chaps & video	Q4: 07/22 Ex1: 07/28
7/29	Chap 5#6	Read chaps & video	First DB: 07/29 Rply,Q5#6, 08/04
8/5	Chap 7#8	Read chaps & video	Q7#8: 08/05 Ex3: 08/11
8/12	Chap 9#10	Read chaps & video	First DB: 08/12 Rply & Q9#10: 08/18
8/19	Chap 11&13	Read chaps & video	Q11, 13: 08/19, 08/23 Ex3: 08/23

# **Distance Education Courses**

#### Computer/Technology Requirements

When participating in distance education courses, it is vital to consider the technology involved in order to have a successful course. Online students will need regular access to a personal computer that runs on a broadband Internet connection. It recommended that you meet the technical requirements listed on the Instructional Technology and Distance Education Services' webpage when using the learning management system (LMS) of the University.

#### Regular and Substantive Interaction (Note to Instructors):

The U.S. Department of Education (ED) has issued Regular and Substantive Interaction: Background, Concerns, and Guiding Principles which went into effect on July 1, 2021. Under the new regulations, the U.S. Department of Education requires that all online courses and programs for which students may use Title IV funds (federal financial aid) include regular and substantive interaction between students and their instructors. This ruling applies to both synchronous and asynchronous courses, with the primary focus being asynchronous courses. The Department of Education has the authority to audit courses and programs at institutions, like Texas A&M International University, with online offerings.

Be sure that your course provides for regular and substantive interaction between faculty and students, students and students, and students and content. (C-RAC, OSCQR, QM, SACSCOC, SC)

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- 1. Regular and substantive instructor-to-student expectations and predictable/scheduled interactions and feedback are present, appropriate for the course length and structure, and are easy to find. (OSCQR, SACSCOC, SC)
- 2. Expectations for all course interactions (instructor to student, student to student, student to instructor) are clearly stated and modeled in all course interactions/communication channels. (OSCQR, SACSCOC, SC)

Visit for additional guidance on including Regular and Substantive Interaction: https://www.tamiu.edu/distance/faculty/regular-and-substantiveinteraction.shtml

#### **Online Courses and On-Campus Meetings**

Texas Administrative Code (TAC), Title 19, Part 1, Chapter 2, Subchapter J, Section 2.202 (https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac\$ext.TacPage/? sl=R&app=9&p\_dir=&p\_rloc=&p\_ploc=&pg=1&p\_tac=&ti=19&pt=1&ch=2&rl=202), defines distance education as the formal educational process that occurs when students and instructors are not in the same physical setting for the majority (more than 50%) of instruction. Distance education includes hybrid and 100% online courses and programs as defined by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB):

- Hybrid Course A distance education course in which more than 50 percent but less than 100 percent of instructional activity takes place when the student(s) and instructor(s) are in separate physical locations.
- 100-Percent Online Course A distance education course in which 100 percent of instructional activity takes place when the student(s) and instructor(s) are in separate physical locations. Requirements for on-campus or in-person orientation, testing, academic support services, internships/fieldwork, or other non-instructional activities do not exclude a course from this category.

#### **Course Structure**

A study of the domestic and foreign perspectives that form the context for business in a diverse and interdependent world. Topical coverage includes: sociocultural diversity; ethical issues; political, legal and regulatory issues; national environmental issues; and the impact of demographic diversity on organizations. Written and oral presentations are integral components of this course.

#### **Course Communication Guidelines (Netiquette)**

There are course expectations concerning etiquette or how we should treat each other online. We must consider these values as we communicate with one another. Visit Instructional Technology and Distance Education Services' web page on Netiquette (http://www.tamiu.edu/distance/students/ netiquette.shtml/) for further instruction.

#### Accommodations/Accessibility Policy

Texas A&M International University seeks to provide reasonable accommodation for all qualified persons with disabilities. This University will adhere to all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and guidelines with respect to providing reasonable accommodations as required to afford equal educational opportunity. It is the student's responsibility to register with the Director of Student Counseling and to contact the faculty member in a timely fashion to arrange for suitable accommodation. For more information, contact the online at **Office of Disability Services for Students (DSS)**, via phone at 956.326.3086 or by visiting the staff at the Student Center, room 118. A link to the Disabilities Services for Students site has also been included under the "Resources" tab inside the course.

#### **Student Support Resources**

The University wishes to have all students succeed in their courses. To provide support to our students, an array of services in the areas of technology support, academic support, student support, and accessibility support may be found at the University. For more information, visit the Instructional Technology and Distance Education Services page on **University Resources and Support Services**.

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**NOTE**: Instructional Technology and Distance Education Services may check out available webcams to students on a first-come, first-served basis. To check out a webcam, please stop by Killam Library, Room 259, and request an available webcam.

Additional Software. You will need the following additional software: [list any additional software required here. Additionally, and if applicable, you may use the following statement:] TAMIU Students may access online versions of this software through their Dusty Office 365 account at https:// dusty.tamiu.edu/. This site also provides students access to download the Microsoft suite for educational use. See instructions for downloading the Microsoft Office suite.

Note: Students, if you do not own the required hardware or software or do not have access to the Internet, it will be highly challenging for you to make any progress in this class. However, my goal is to assist you in finding solutions and guide you appropriately most of the required materials can either



be found free of charge at TAMIU's library, classrooms, and available computer labs. **Visit Media Services' web page on the availability of on-campus computer labs.** In addition, you may also purchase any of these items at any electronic store.

### Learning Management System (Blackboard)

Students are provided with an orientation (\*eLearning (Blackboard) Student Orientation\*) and access to guides on how to use the Blackboard LMS. Guides may be available at Instructional Technology and Distance Education Services' Student eLearning Tutorial Videos page or by contacting the eLearning team at elearning@tamiu.edu.

## **Minimum Technical Skills Expected**

When participating in distance education courses, it is vital to consider the technology involved in order to have a successful course. Students in distance education should have knowledge of basic computer and Internet skills, as mentioned on the **Instructional Technology and Distance Education Services' webpage**.

#### **Technical Support Services**

Because of the nature of distance education courses, the Office of Information Technology (OIT) computing and information services are vital to the success of online students. This webpage covers contact information for Distance Education Services (Blackboard Support), the OIT Help Desk, and E-mail support: **Technical Support Services**.

#### **Grading Scale/Schema**

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#### **Course Evaluation**

At the end of this course, students are encouraged to complete a course evaluation that will be distributed to them via email and through a course link.

#### **Technology Policy and Systems**

At Texas A&M International University, we believe that all students should have equal technology opportunities in the classroom. These technologies/ sites may also require user data, such as the creation of a username and password. You may find the accessibility and privacy policies of the technologies used in this class on the following pages: **Accessibility Statements and Privacy Statements**.

## **Syllabus Subject to Change**

While information and assurances are provided in this course syllabus, it should be understood that content may change in keeping with new research and literature and that events beyond the control of the instructor could occur. Students will be informed of any substantive occurrences that will produce syllabus changes.