Course Abbreviation & Number:
X New Undergraduate Course: CU-1400
V New Honors Course: --
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Effective Term: 01/2015
Catalog Title: The Entrepreneurial Mindset
Transcript Title: The Entrepreneurial Mindset

Fixed Credit Course: 2 (2,0)
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Prerequisite(s): None

Projected Enrollment:
Year 1 - 100 Year 2 - 200 Year 3 - 200 Year 4 - 200

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Textbook(s): TBA

Learning Objectives: Anticipated Learning Outcomes:
Students will demonstrate the ability to critically analyze problems within the context of entrepreneurial opportunities.
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* Lecture is defined as a 50 minute class session*

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Final Project 30%
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(N=2180)

**Learning Interests**
- Three-quarters (76%) of student respondents would like to learn more about entrepreneurship*
- 70% of student respondents would like to learn more about starting a new business*

### What are you most interested in learning more about with regard to entrepreneurship?

- Entrepreneurship education
- Business plan assistance
- Market studies
- Capital
- Start-up
- Product development
- Networking
- Intellectual property

### Current Knowledge Regarding Clemson Entrepreneurship/Small Business Resources
- 3% of student respondents consider themselves “very knowledgeable”
  - 35% responded “none at all”

### Resources and Facilities Interests
- Student respondents are equally interested in obtaining resources for the *start-up process, mentors, and education*^

### What student and/or faculty and staff level resources or facilities would you like to see at Clemson to assist with entrepreneurial efforts?

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**Mentorship Interests**
- 71% of student responses indicate *willingness to participate* in mentorship
  - 30% yes; 41% maybe

**Obstacles**
- 76% of student respondents agree their major obstacle is that “[They] did not know where to find the resources or help [they] needed”*

*Indicates responses on option “check all that apply”

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![Pie chart showing Learning Interests]

Current Knowledge Regarding Clemson Entrepreneurship/Small Business Resources
- 3% of faculty/staff respondents consider themselves “very knowledgeable”
  - 42% responded “none at all”

Resources and Facilities Interests
- Respondents are most interested in obtaining resources in the start-up process (54%)
  however, resources for education, mentors, and finances are critical*

![Bar chart showing Resources and Facilities Interests]

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Obstacles
- 62% of faculty respondents agree their major obstacle is that “[They] did not know where to find the resources or help [they] needed”*

![Bar chart showing Obstacles]

Have you encountered any obstacles that have limited your entrepreneurial ventures?

- The administrative bureaucracy is difficult to understand (99)
- The culture is not supportive of entrepreneurial ventures (55)
- I did not know where to find the resources or help I needed (226)

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Course Abbreviation & Number:
X New Undergraduate Course: CU-1410
.. New Honors Course: --
.. New Graduate Course: -

Effective Term: 01/2015
Catalog Title: Creativity, Innovation, & Entrepreneurship
Transcript Title: Creativity, Innovation, & Entr
Fixed Credit Course: 3 (3,0)
Variable Credit Course: (-, -)

Add cross-listing with the following child course(s):

Catalog Description: This course introduces creativity and innovation thinking skills and processes that are critical in the generation of entrepreneurial teams and opportunities. These include the concepts of observation, problem identification, lateral thinking, design thinking, brainstorming, interdisciplinary teams, problem solving and generation of a value proposition. Best practices of entrepreneurship are introduced and these skills are then applied towards the identification of an early stage entrepreneurial opportunity.

Prerequisite(s): CU 1400

Projected Enrollment:
Year 1 - 100 Year 2 - 200 Year 3 - 200 Year 4 - 200

Required course for students in: None. Offered as elective only.

Statement of need and justification based on assessment results of student learning outcomes: Entrepreneurship is the application of identifiable design and business skills towards the structured translation of need to the marketplace. Entrepreneurs and innovators require many skills. First, great innovators and entrepreneurs need to be great design thinkers. Second, most entrepreneurial endeavors that solve big, challenging problems require interdisciplinary solutions. Third, high-potential entrepreneurs thrive on breakthrough design thinking and a bias for action. These essential concepts and frameworks are introduced, and the latter part of the course provides occasion for practicing these skills. These types of entrepreneurship skills are usually reserved for upperclassmen, preventing the effective application of these skills by students while they are on campus. This course will be offered at freshman/sophomore level, and is part of 4 courses series to educate and empower students to practice entrepreneurship on campus.

Textbook(s): TBA.

Learning Objectives: Creativity Module: The Creativity Module has two objectives. First, the student will be introduced to key concepts of creativity and creative thinking, which are then compared and contrasted to traditional analytical thinking. Second, the student is given an opportunity to explore the attitudes, idioms, and techniques associated with "lateral thinking" process - the kind of thinking that breed's creativity.

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Entrepreneurship Module: The Entrepreneurship Module has three desired learning outcomes: First, the student will be introduced to the "entrepreneurial mindset." Second, the student will learn the characteristics of "habitual entrepreneurs." Thirdly, the student will initially explore the process of entrepreneurship within their project idea.

Topical Outline: Creativity Module:
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Week 6: Develop Project (IDEO Phase 0a)
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**Curriculum and Course Change System**

**Entreprenuership Module:**
- Week 12: Shaping Opportunities
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**Evaluation:**
- Attendance and Class Participation 10%
- Weekly Assessment of Personal Reflection Journal 15%
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**Add course requirements for honors and/or 600-level courses (if applicable):** None.

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