

Syllabus  
**GMT6091 Innovation Management II**  
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Winter Term 2023/24

<b>Level</b>	Master	
<b>Credits</b>	5	
<b>Student Contact Hours</b>	3	
<b>Workload</b>	150 hours / blocked	
<b>Prerequisites</b>	Determinants of Innovation Performance	
<b>Time</b>	See LSF and MBA Schedule	
<b>Room</b>	See LSF and MBA Schedule	
<b>Start Date</b>	October 27, 2023	
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## **Outline of the Course**

Between Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> and Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> 2023, the MBA students are welcome to attend the lectures in the above-mentioned subject.

By the end of the course, the participants shall be capable to:

- understand the interdisciplinary approach of product development as a blend of marketing, design, and manufacturing
- the basics of “Design Thinking” vs. other creative problem solving methods
- accelerate the product development time
- improve the design of their services & products to international standards and reduce the risks for the market launch.

### **Contents:**

- Role of Product Development in Innovation Management
- Role of Project Management in Product Development and Design
- Methodology of Life Cycle Assessment for Products incl. Product Carbon Footprint (PCF)
- Product Development Processes and Organisations
- Customer Needs Identification
- Product Specifications
- Patents and Intellectual Property
- Methods for Creative Problem Solving
- Product Development Simulation

## **Teaching and Learning Approach**

In the lectures, there will be a balance between theory and practice through the emphasis on methods which represent a step-by-step procedure for the completion of tasks. In-class exercises, discussions, case studies and presentations will give the students the opportunity to demonstrate their capability of a) analytical competence and problem solving skills b) team work c) creativity and identification of innovation potential incl. problem solving.

## Course Intended Learning Outcomes and their Contribution to Program Intended Learning Outcomes / Program Goals

Program Intended Learning Outcomes		Course Intended Learning Outcomes	Assessment Methods			
After completion of the program the students will be able...		After completion of the course the students will be able...	Oral Exam	Participation in Class	Project Work	Presentation
			40%	20%	20%	20%
			Individual	Individual	Collective	Collective
1 Responsible Leadership in Organizational Contexts						
1.3	... to critically reflect on leadership concepts in a certain organizational context or in a specific case.	...to understand how to create highly motivated and collaborative multi-disciplinary product development teams (with the intention to increase the probability of success rate of new product development)	x	x	x	x
1.4	... to act responsibly from a scientific self-understanding and to act professionally.	...to analyze, reflect and act professionally / with integrity as a product development team member or as a leader / project owner	x		x	
2 Creative Problem Solving Skills in a Complex Business Environment						
2.1	... to identify & classify problems.	...to search for, select and analyze relevant scientific literature		x	x	x
2.2	... to analyze problems.	...to discuss complex problems in a comprehensive and profound manner in a written manner.			x	x
2.3	... to creatively solve problems.	...to apply creative problem solving skills (e.g. using design thinking) and come up with own product ideas		x		x
2.4	... to explain problems and their solutions in a comprehensive manner.	...to demonstrate their oral communication skills in a well structured way and to discuss central contents in a convincing manner	x	x	x	x
3 Applied research skills						
4 Innovation management and management of digital transformation						
4.1	... to have fundamental knowledge of operational innovation processes and of processes of digital transformation.	... to have fundamental knowledge of operational innovation processes (and of processes of digital transformation).	x	x	x	
4.2	... to assess a company's innovation potential and its needs/opportunities with respect to digital transformation.	... to assess a company's innovation potential and its needs/opportunities (with respect to digital transformation.)	x	x	x	
5 Management of the challenges of global sustainability and awareness for social and corporate responsibilities						
5.1	... to have a sound basic knowledge of sustainability issues.	.....to intensify their expertise in life cycle assessment and related methods analysing commercial products	x	x		x

## **Literature and Course Materials**

Remark: relevant literature for individual sessions/tasks will be provided by lecturer

1. Ulrich, K.T.: Eppinger, S.D.: Product Design and Development, New York.
2. Roberts, E.B.: Innovation Driving Product, Process and Market Change, MIT Sloan, Cambridge.
3. Juergens, U.: New Product Development and Production Networks, Berlin.
4. Gessinger, G.H., Materials and Innovative Product Development: From Concept to Market, Oxford.
5. Cross, N., Design Thinking, Oxford
6. Tidd, J., Bessant J., Pavitt K., Managing Innovation, J. Wiley
7. Trott, P., Innovation Management and New Product Development, Pearson

## **Assessment**

The grading is based upon the in-class participation & exercises (20%), presentations (40%) as well as the oral exam (40%).

## **Teaching Philosophy**

Student (learning) success has top priority.

An open, intensive exchange between the students and the lecturer is important, as is active collaboration. In addition to the course material, case studies and personal experiences of the lecturer (25 years in various management roles) contribute to the concretization of the topics. Furthermore, guest lectures by proven (company) experts are held in the context of the lecture to deepen the learning. The aim of the guest lectures is also to provide the students with industry contacts.