



#### **COURSE INFORMATION**

Course title: Two Party Negotiations

Course code: BAHR 507 Credits: 1.5

Session, term, period: 2021 Period 5 Class location: DD1 HA254; DD2 HA335 Section(s): DD1 and DD2 Class times: DD1 Tue/Thu – 2-4pm

DD2 Tue/Thu - 10-12

Course duration: Nov 2 – Dec 2, 2021 Pre-requisites: n/a
Division: Organizational Behaviour Co-requisites: n/a

Program: MM

#### **INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION**

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## **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This course integrates experiential and intellectual learning components to help students become better negotiators. It is designed to develop the sophistication to analyze bargaining and conflict relationships and to learn (through class discussion and self-assessment) about your own individual "bargaining styles."

## **COURSE FORMAT**

Lecture, Discussions, Negotiation Exercises

### **LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

Negotiating skills are essential for managers to achieve their goals. Managers negotiate every day with a variety of stakeholders, including their employers, supervisors, direct reports, vendors, and suppliers. More than this, however, managers negotiate intangibles, including expectations, ideas, and responsibilities. To be effective, managers need to acquire *analytical* skills to effectively plan, strategize, and discover superior solutions to their own and their organizational challenges. They also need *negotiation skills* to get others to accept and implement these solutions. The goal of this course is to help you develop the negotiation skills needed to meet these challenges.

The learning objectives for this course are:

- Understanding the basic elements of negotiation and how to approach negotiation more systematically
- Gaining insight into your own and others' negotiating styles
- Recognizing common mistakes in negotiation and how to avoid them
- Understanding the differences and similarities of dyadic vs. group negotiations
- Assessing your strengths and limitations as a negotiator
- Examining the role of power in negotiations
- Gain some appreciation of international negotiations

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# ASSESSMENTS

**Summary** 

Class Participation 20%

Journal 40%

Reflection Paper 40%

Details of Assessments

# Class Participation (20%)

Students are expected to participate in all the exercises and class discussions. Participation will be evaluated on the following criteria:

- a) Quality of preparation for the exercises, including familiarity with the reading material and case material.
- b) Quality of performance on the exercise.
- c) Quality of participation in the debrief and discussion sessions.

# **Journal (40%)**

During the course, each student is expected to maintain a journal describing his/her role experiences and reflecting on learning experiences as a negotiator. The purpose of keeping a journal is to encourage reflection on and analysis of the "learning by experience" negotiation simulations. Your comments also give me a sense of your individual progress and your strengths and weaknesses as a negotiator. Your task is to describe your reactions, perceptions, impressions, or significant insights gained from participation in or reflection on the simulations. You may want to address some of the following points:

- a) What you expected in the situation.
- b) How you prepared for the negotiation.
- c) How you and others behaved.
- d) What you learned about your skills and the skills of those around you.
- e) What you would do differently the next time around.

I regard this journal as a confidential communication between each student and the instructor. As a result, I expect you to be specific in identifying other people and their behaviour in describing your reactions to the negotiation simulations. Journal entries should be made very soon after each negotiation simulation.

Please submit your journals via Canvas by 23:59 on Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. Late papers will not be accepted.

## **Reflection Paper (40%)**

Students are to write a short paper reflecting on a previous negotiation experience and summarizing how you would apply some of the key takeaways from the course. The goal is to crystallize the strategies that will benefit you when addressing negotiations in your work and personal life.

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Papers should include the following components:

- a) Describe the negotiation context. What made this negotiation particularly challenging?
- b) Briefly describe what happened.
- c) What did you do well? What did not go well?
- d) What would you have done differently to achieve a more successful process and/or outcome? What can you draw from the lessons learned in the class and the reading material?
- e) Last, where will these takeaways likely be relevant in your future? Describe one or two specific occasions in your personal life or your role as a manager in which you will most likely need these lessons.

Note that your grade for this paper is not a function of your performance as a negotiator. Rather, it is a function of how well you a) reflect upon your learning, b) gain insight into the negotiation process, and c) how you will apply the learning.

Your Reflection Paper should not exceed 1200 words, and any reasonable style of formatting is acceptable. Please submit your paper via Canvas by 23:59 on Thursday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. Late papers will not be accepted.

#### LEARNING MATERIALS

Required: Negotiation Exercises Package through Duplication Services – Link on Canvas Estimated cost of required materials: \$25

Additional materials recommended but not required: Essentials of Negotiation - Lewicki, R.J., Barry, B., Sauders, D.M., & Tasa, K. (2016), 7<sup>th</sup> Ed. New York: McGraw-Hill Irwin

# **COURSE-SPECIFIC POLICIES AND RESOURCES**

# Missed or late assignments, and regrading of assessments

Late submissions will not be accepted and will receive a grade of zero. [This is standard for RHL courses.] [Enumerate other policies on missed or late assignments, and regrading of assessments.]

# Academic Concessions

If extenuating circumstances arise, please contact the RHL Graduate School program office as early as reasonably possible, and submit an <u>Academic Concession Request & Declaration Form</u>. If an academic concession is granted during the course, the student will be provided options by RHL, or by the instructor in consultation with RHL, per UBC's policy on Academic Concession.

# Other Course Policies and Resources

[Include the following policies and resources as appropriate.

Policies on assessment due prior to students joining the course (i.e., during the add/drop period).

[Note that course policies must be reasonable and fair. For example, it is not reasonable to award zero to a student who missed an assignment due to registering into the class during the add/drop period. Policies cannot be punitive; only UBC's President is authorized to impose discipline, and only after a finding of misconduct. For example, a grade deduction of 10% of the course grade for poor contribution to a group project when the student's group members would have each earned 7% would be considered

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punitive. Unreasonable or punitive policies are appealable to the Dean's Office and the Senate's Committee on Appeals on Academic Standing.]

#### POLICIES APPLICABLE TO COURSES IN THE ROBERT H. LEE GRADUATE SCHOOL

#### Attendance

Excepting extenuating circumstances, students are expected to attend 100% of their scheduled class hours. Absent students limit their own academic potential, and that of their classmates, and cause unnecessary disruption to the learning environment. Students missing more than 20% of the total scheduled class hours for a course (including classes held during the add/drop period) without having received an academic concession will be withdrawn from that course. Withdrawals, depending on timing, could result in a "W" or an "F" standing on the transcript.

# COVID-19 Policies for Attendance & Academic Concessions:

If a student feels unwell, they should stay home and send a courtesy email to each impacted instructor and cc their program manager. The student should also submit an <u>Academic Concession Request & Declaration Form.</u>

If a student suspects possible COVID-19 infection, they should use the BC Ministry of Health's <u>self-assessment tool</u>, to help determine whether further assessment or testing for COVID-19 is recommended.

If a student is required to self-isolate (e.g., while waiting for test results), they should follow the steps above (stay home, email instructor(s) and program manager, submit an <u>Academic Concession Request & Declaration Form</u>, and follow BC Health Guidance.

Students who are required to quarantine, should get in touch with their Program Manager to discuss the possibility of academic concessions for each impacted course. The Program Manager will work closely with your instructors to explore options for you to make up the missed learning.

# COVID-19 Safety in the Classroom:

Masks: Masks are **required** for all indoor classes, as per the BC Public Health Officer orders. For our inperson meetings in this class, it is important that all of us feel as comfortable as possible engaging in class activities while sharing an indoor space. For the purposes of this order, the term "masks" refers to medical and non-medical masks that cover our noses and mouths. Masks are a primary tool to make it harder for COVID-19 to find a new host. You will need to wear a medical or non-medical mask for the duration of our class meetings, for your own protection, and the safety and comfort of everyone else in the class. You may be asked to remove your mask briefly for an ID check for an exam, but otherwise, your mask should cover your nose and mouth. Please do not eat in class. If you need to drink water/coffee/tea/etc, please keep your mask on between sips. Students who need special accommodation are asked to discuss this with the program office.

**Seating in class:** To reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission, please sit in a consistent area of the classroom each day. This will minimize your contacts and will still allow for the pedagogical methods planned for this class to help your learning.

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Visit the following website for the most recent updates regarding COVID-19 protocol on campus: <a href="https://students.ubc.ca/campus-life/returning-to-campus">https://students.ubc.ca/campus-life/returning-to-campus</a>

### **Punctuality**

Students are expected to arrive for classes and activities on time and fully prepared to engage. Late arrivals may be refused entry at the discretion of the instructor or activity lead. Students arriving later than halfway through a scheduled class will be treated as absent for that class.

## **Electronic Devices**

Devices such as laptops, tablets, and cell phones are not permitted to be used in class unless directed by the instructor for in-class activities. Students who do not follow the School's policy in this regard may be required to leave the room for the remainder of the class, so that they do not distract others. Research shows that students' use of laptops in class has negative implications for the learning environment, including reducing their own grades and the grades of those sitting around them.

# Citation Style

Please use the American Psychological Association (APA) reference style to cite your sources.

Details of the above policies and other RHL Policies are available at: <a href="http://www.calendar.ubc.ca/vancouver/index.cfm?tree=12,199,506,1625">http://www.calendar.ubc.ca/vancouver/index.cfm?tree=12,199,506,1625</a>

## **UNIVERSITY POLICIES AND RESOURCES**

UBC provides resources to support student learning and to maintain healthy lifestyles but recognizes that sometimes crises arise and so there are additional resources to access including those for survivors of sexual violence. UBC values respect for the person and ideas of all members of the academic community. Harassment and discrimination are not tolerated nor is suppression of academic freedom. UBC provides appropriate accommodation for students with disabilities and for religious observances. UBC values academic honesty and students are expected to acknowledge the ideas generated by others and to uphold the highest academic standards in all of their actions. Details of the policies and how to access support are available on the UBC Senate website at <a href="https://senate.ubc.ca/policies-resources-support-student-success">https://senate.ubc.ca/policies-resources-support-student-success</a>.

# Respect for Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion

The UBC Sauder School of Business strives to promote an intellectual community that is enhanced by diversity along various dimensions including status as a First Nation, Metis, Inuit, or Indigenous person, race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, religion, political beliefs, social class, and/or disability. It is critical that students from diverse backgrounds and perspectives be valued in and well-served by their courses. Furthermore, the diversity that students bring to the classroom should be viewed as a resource, benefit, and source of strength for your learning experience. It is expected that all students and members of our community conduct themselves with empathy and respect for others.

# Academic Integrity

The academic enterprise is founded on honesty, civility, and integrity. As members of this enterprise, all students are expected to know, understand, and follow the codes of conduct regarding academic integrity. At the most basic level, this means submitting only original work done by you and acknowledging all sources of information or ideas and attributing them to others as required. This also

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means you should not cheat, copy, or mislead others about what is your work. Violations of academic integrity (i.e., misconduct) lead to the breakdown of the academic enterprise, and therefore serious consequences arise and harsh sanctions are imposed. For example, incidences of plagiarism or cheating may result in a mark of zero on the assignment or exam and more serious consequences may apply if the matter is referred to the President's Advisory Committee on Student Discipline. Careful records are kept in order to monitor and prevent recurrences.

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#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

UBC's Point Grey Campus is located on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the  $x^w m \theta k^w \theta \phi m$  (Musqueam) people, who for millennia have passed on their culture, history, and traditions from one generation to the next on this site.

# **COURSE SCHEDULE**

(Subject to change with class consultation)

Week	CLASS TOPICS	CASES USED (All will be provided in class)
Week 1	Basic Negotiation Concepts	Used Car 24/7
Week 2	Distributive Bargaining	New Car Coffee Contract
Week 3	Power and Influence?	Salary Negotiation Oil Pricing
Week 4	Ethics in Negotiations	What's In a Name Bullard Homes
Week 5	Special Negotiation Topics Multi-Party, Culture and International	International

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