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| <br><b>FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY</b>   | <b>NEW/CHANGE PROGRAM REQUEST</b><br><b>Graduate Programs</b>            |  | UGPC Approval _____<br>UFS Approval _____<br>Banner Posted _____<br>Catalog _____      |
|   | <b>Department</b> Business Communications<br><br><b>College</b> Business |  |  |
| <b>Program Name</b><br>Business Communications  |  | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>New Program</b><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Change Program</b>                                     | <b>Effective Date</b><br>(TERM & YEAR)<br>Fall/2025                                    |
| <b>Please explain the requested change(s) and offer rationale below or on an attachment</b><br><br><p>Business Communications is adding two new courses: GEB 6254 – Inter-cultural Business Communications for a Global Economy and GEB 6228 – Advanced Business Presentation Skills for Professionals, Managers and Executives GEB6254 is a course replacing GEB6217: Communications Strategies for Business Professionals. Last year the Executive MS International Business (MSIB) program was transferred from Executive Education to the Traditional MBA programs. We have been teaching the GEB6217 course for the Traditional MSIB program as exception with the understanding that it would satisfy the Communications requirements for the degree only until the GEB6254 course/syllabus could be developed. The problem is that in the Traditional Programs, the description and objectives of the GEB6217 executive course are incorrect for the MSIB degree and were restrictive of other degree programs in the College of Business as electives. GEB6254 takes basic inter-cultural knowledge and joins it to business analysis and critical thinking for business problem resolution in writing, presenting and interpersonal skills development; this course is required for the Traditional MSIB degree and will be offered as an elective for the executive degree programs and traditional degree programs other than MSIB.</p> <p>GEB6228 Advanced Business Presentation Skills for Professionals, Managers and Executives is a course that has been specifically requested by Executive Education building on the required GEB6217 course, for which A&amp;L does not serve. Graduate business students in both the executive and traditional programs have identified the need to further develop their business presentation skills taught in the introductory courses. The GEB6228 course develops further knowledge on the format, delivery, and technical aspects of business presenting using actual work assignments they must complete in their respective professions and positions to a variety of audiences including people they manage, peers, superiors and boards of directors on technical, operational, and financial subjects including use of AI in business communications; this course will be available to students in the Executive and Traditional Business Graduate Degree programs as an elective.</p> |  |  |  |
| <b>Faculty Contact/Email/Phone</b><br><br>James Granger/jgranger@fau.edu/7-0659 (GEB6254)<br>Beth Sindaco/bsindaco@fau.edu/7-3940 (GEB6228)   |  | <b>Consult and list departments that may be affected by the change(s) and attach documentation</b><br><br>Attached Departmental Concurrences |  |
| <b>Approved by</b><br>Department Chair <u>Joan Conroy</u><br>College Curriculum Chair <u>Robert Pinsker</u><br>College Dean <u>Marc Rhorer</u><br>UGPC Chair <u>CPS</u><br>UGC Chair <u>CPS</u><br>Graduate College Dean <u>Robert W. Johnson</u><br>UFS President _____<br>Provost _____   |  |  | <b>Date</b><br><u>02/27/2025</u><br>_____<br>_____<br>_____<br>_____<br>_____<br>_____ |

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## Management Programs: Management, International Business and Entrepreneurship Graduate Programs Graduate Business Communications

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| Venture Creation   | ENT6016 |
| Advanced Business Plan Development   | ENT6116 |
| Biotechnology Business Development   | ENT6196 |
| Entrepreneurial Skills for Managers  | ENT6226 |
| Entrepreneurship and Venture Capital   | ENT6428 |
| Special Topics   | ENT6930 |
| Entrepreneurial Consulting Project   | ENT6946 |
| The Entrepreneurship Field   | ENT7168 |
| Communication Strategies for Business Professionals with Core-Course Follow-up   | GEB6215 |
| Communication Strategies for Business Professionals <i>(Executive Programs Only)</i>   | GEB6217 |
| Advanced Business Presentation Skills for Professionals, Managers and Executives <i>(Executive or Traditional Programs)</i>                          | GEB6228 |
| Business Communications for a Global Economy <i>(Required for MSIB Degree: Elective for Executive or other Traditional graduate degree Programs)</i> | GEB6254 |
| Directed Project in Business   | GEB6901 |
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| Current Perspectives in Business   | GEB6905 |
| Special Topics   | GEB6930 |
| Contemporary Issues in Industry: The Executive Forum   | GEB6931 |
| Corporate Management and Environmental Policy  | GEB6944 |
| Environmental Project Management   | GEB6945 |
| International Business Field Experience  | GEB6957 |
| Graduate Business Study Abroad   | GEB6958 |
| Doctoral Seminar in Business Administration  | GEB7936 |
| Human Resources Management   | MAN6156 |
| Leadership and Organizations   | MAN6296 |
| Operations Management  | MAN6501 |
| Cross-Cultural Management and Human Resources  | MAN6609 |
| International Business Operations  | MAN6614 |
| Global Business Strategy   | MAN6721 |
| Managing Effectively in Emerging Market Economies  | MAN6728 |
| Global Leadership Assessment and Career Development  | MAN6899 |
| Directed Independent Study   | MAN6905 |

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| International Research Consultancy Project | MAN6915  |
| Field Project                              | MAN 6926 |
| Special Topics                             | MAN6931  |
| Global Environment of Management           | MAN6937  |
| Graduate Management Internship             | MAN6943  |
| Master's Thesis                            | MAN6971  |
| Organizational Theory                      | MAN7207  |
| Organizational Behavior                    | MAN7257  |
| Scientific Method in Business              | MAN7640  |
| Strategic Management Seminar               | MAN7729  |
| Advanced Management Theory                 | MAN779   |
| Special Topics in Management               | MAN7931  |
| Advanced Research in Management            | MAN7978  |
| Doctoral Dissertation - Management         | MAN7980  |
| Measurement Design and Evaluation          | MAN7567  |

## New Courses: College of Business/Business Communications

Departmental Concurrences: GEB6228 and GEB6254

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**Subject:** RE: Course Review Request: Advanced Business Presentation Skills for Professionals, Managers and Executives - GEB6228

Thanks, Shane.

Joe

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Hi Joe...

Yes, that's fine. Apologies for the delay. It's been a crazy busy day.

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Hi Shane:

I hope you are having a good day.

Regarding your email about the expanded explanation, may I include it with the documentation with the new course forms as no objection please?

Thanks for your help.

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Thanks for the expanded explanation on all this, Joe.

Cheers,

Shane

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To: Shane Eason

Date: Tue 2/25/2025 3:11 PM

Hi Shane:

Thanks for your email. In lieu of our continued phone tag, I thought I would just reply via email to thank you for helping with the review of the two courses Business Communications needs to offer and to put minds to rest regarding the course differentiation and targeted audiences:

- GEB6228
- GEB6254

As explained GEB6254 is a course replacing GEB6217: Communications Strategies for Business Professionals for Executive MBA program in International Business. Last year this program was transferred from Executive Education to the Traditional MBA programs. We have been teaching the course as GEB6217 for the Traditional MBA program only until the GEB6254 course/syllabus could be developed. The problem is that in the Traditional Programs, the description and objectives of the GEB6217 course are incorrect for the International Business degree and were restrictive of other degree programs in the College of Business including Hospitality and Tourism Management as electives. This course takes basic intercultural knowledge and joins it to business analysis and critical thinking for business problem resolution which is significantly different than the intercultural communications courses offered by Arts and Letters with the intended audience being Business Degree graduate students.

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Since these courses are specific to business students, to make sure that the intended audiences are graduate business students, the Course Description and Syllabus for the GEB6254 have been changed to emphasize business writing and presenting using advanced business research methods for business decision making in intercultural situations and environments using standard business and industry analysis models. The prerequisite for the course details admission to a business graduate degree program of study or certificate program in Applied Business Communications Strategies. The New Course Form has also been edited with these changes. In addition, the Course Description and Syllabus for GEB6228 has been revised connecting participants job tasks, problems and responsibilities to course assignments directly as well as revision of prerequisites to include admission to a graduate business degree of study and completion of GEB6217: Communications Strategies for Business Professionals or GEB6215: Communications Strategies for Business Professionals with Core-Course follow-up, thus assuring the intended audience is graduate business students.

I will include this communications as an attachment to the New Course Forms for both courses to assure that concerns have been clarified and addressed regarding targeted audiences and the foci of the courses specific to business and industry.

Thanks, again, Shane for all your help.

Joe

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Hi, Joe et al....

After review, some concerns have been raised regarding the two most recent course proposals from CoB and the potential for additional CoB course proposals in the future.

Per the request, SCMS recently reviewed the following course proposals:

- GEB 6228 – Advanced Business Presentation Skills
- GEB 6254 – Business Communications for a Global Economy

Notes:

- There is growing discomfort with the increasing number of proposed undergraduate and graduate business communication courses. While CoB has improved in identifying these courses as business-centric, there is concern that they are rebranding core Communication Studies courses under a business label.
- To move this forward, SCMS has agreed that these courses should have major restrictions to ensure they serve their intended audience rather than drawing students away from SCMS courses.
- Additionally, while SCMS may not be in direct competition for students, this trend is concerning. We do not want to find ourselves in a position where our own courses become

**restricted from including business or workplace-related content simply because CoB has introduced similar courses.**

**Best,**

**Shane**

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Hi Shane:

I tried giving you a call using the number listed on the faculty directory, but it answered "Adjuncts," so I didn't leave a message because I thought other people may have access to the message, and you may not get it. I wanted to say thank you personally for all the help and support you are giving as we grow our curriculum in business communications and particularly with the minor/certificate effort we are working on the A&L.

The attached course, Advanced Business Presentation Skills, is a class requested by Executive Education in the CoB. Right now we offer a professional development course for them, but the Executive Education Business master's students are requesting more development with business presentations beyond what they get in GEB6217. This course is also a course we are including in the Graduate Certificate in Applied Business Communications Strategies.

Would you mind please circulating, and I will include your reply as we submit the course to Graduate Council.

Thanks, Shane. Your coordination is certainly appreciated.

Joe

p.s. we should only have one more course that I will be sending to you, but haven't yet received a model syllabus or course number for it yet.

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Hi Shane:

I hope you had a good weekend.



Our MBA in International Business has recently changed from our Executive Programs to Traditional Programs. In Executive Education, these students took GEB6217 which wasn't a class that really met their needs. With the transfer to our Traditional Program, the Master in International Business still requires a Business Communications course which is tailored to their needs. I am attaching a syllabus for a new course, Business Communications for a Global Economy – GEB6254. This course will be cross listed with the undergraduate course already in the undergraduate approval process which you reviewed, Business Communications Across Cultures-GEB4253, which is also part of the certificate/minor we are offering with Arts & Letters in Global Business Communication Applications.

Would you mind please reviewing this graduate course syllabus and providing me with comments to include in the presentation to the Graduate Council please, Shane? I appreciate your help with this new course very much.

On another note, I ran into Dean Horswell at the Italy in Transit Conference on Friday evening. I let him know of the phenomenal support you have been in helping advance the inter-college certificate and minor programs he requested between Arts and Letter and the College of Business. In the conversation, he indicated that he would like to initiate more development with the College of Business; I have a few ideas if you would like to meet.

Thank you so much, again, for your help.

Joe

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