

Fermanian School of Business - MBA

BUS/LDR 6019 – Corporate Social Responsibility

1 Unit

## Fall 2023

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# **PLNU Mission**

## To Teach ~ To Shape ~ To Send

Point Loma Nazarene University exists to provide higher education in a vital Christian community where minds are engaged and challenged, character is modeled and formed, and service is an expression of faith. Being of Wesleyan heritage, we strive to be a learning community where grace is foundational, truth is pursued, and holiness is a way of life.

# Fermanian School of Business Mission

## Character – Professionalism – Excellence – Relationships – Commitment - Innovation

As members of a vital Christian community, we strive to provide high quality business programs that equip students to make a positive impact in their workplace and community by connecting purpose to practice.

## COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course explores how companies can recognize long-term value by integrating social responsibility into their core business strategy. Students will learn how to lead corporate social responsibility efforts within organizations and become effective change agents for positive social impact.

## **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

- 1. Compare and contrast the different views of corporate social responsibility (PLO 1).
- 2. Describe the role of corporate social responsibility in business (PLO 2).
- 3. Demonstrate an understanding of the cultural implications of corporate social responsibility decision making (PLO 4).

4. Analyze the ethical impacts of executive-level decision making as it relates to corporate social responsibility (PLO 5).

#### COURSE CREDIT HOUR INFORMATION

In the interest of providing sufficient time to accomplish the stated Course Learning Outcomes, this class meets the PLNU credit hour policy for a 1-unit class delivered over 16 weeks. Specific details about how the class meets the credit hour requirement can be provided upon request.

## REQUIRED TEXTS AND RECOMMENDED STUDY RESOURCES

- Various journal articles and web resources see Canvas Modules for details.
- Required Case: *Unilever's New Global Strategy: Competing through Sustainability* by Christopher A. Bartlett. Can be downloaded from HBR see Canvas for details.

### ASSESSMENT AND GRADING

# **Activities and Point Distribution**

Activity	Points
Video Participation	245
Weekly Assignments	430
CSR Debate	175
Unilever Case	150
Total Points	1000

# Points will be converted to grades as follows

Points	Grade	Points	Grade
930-1000	А	730-769	С
900-929	A-	700-729	C-
870-899	B+	670-699	D+
830-869	В	630-669	D
800-829	В-	600-629	D-
770-799	C+	0-599	F

## INCOMPLETES AND LATE ASSIGNMENTS

All assignments are to be submitted/turned in when they are due. <u>In general, I assign a grade of 0 for</u> any work submitted late without prior agreement or acceptable reason. Incompletes will only be assigned under extremely unusual circumstances.

### **ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (AI) POLICY**

You may be allowed to use Artificial Intelligence (AI) tools (e.g, ChatGPT, iA Writer, Marmot, Botowski) in some assignments to generate ideas, but unless informed otherwise you will not be allowed to use AI tools to generate content (text, video, audio, images) that will end up in any work submitted to be graded for this course. Before using AI for a particular assignment, please gain permission from the instructor.

### SPIRITUAL CARE

PLNU strives to be a place where you grow as a whole person. To this end, we provide resources for our graduate students to encounter God and grow in their Christian faith. At the Mission Valley (MV) campus we have an onsite chaplain who is available during class break times across the week. If you have questions for, desire to meet or share a prayer request please email <a href="mailto:mvchaplain@pointloma.edu">mvchaplain@pointloma.edu</a>.

In addition, on the MV campus there is a prayer chapel on the third floor which is open for use as a space set apart for quiet reflection and prayer.

#### SEXUAL MISCONDUCT AND DISCRIMINATION

In support of a safe learning environment, if you (or someone you know) have experienced any form of sexual discrimination or misconduct, including sexual assault, dating or domestic violence, or stalking, know that accommodations and resources are available through the Title IX Office at <u>pointloma.edu/Title-IX</u>. Please be aware that under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, faculty and staff are required to disclose information about such misconduct to the Title IX Office.

If you wish to speak to a confidential employee who does not have this reporting responsibility, you can contact Counseling Services at <u>counselingservices@pointloma.edu</u> or find a list of campus pastors at <u>pointloma.edu/title-ix</u>.

## STATE AUTHORIZATION

State authorization is a formal determination by a state that Point Loma Nazarene University is approved to conduct activities regulated by that state. In certain states outside California, Point Loma Nazarene University is not authorized to enroll online (distance education) students. If a student moves to another state after admission to the program and/or enrollment in an online course, continuation within the program and/or course will depend on whether Point Loma Nazarene University is authorized to offer distance education courses in that state. It is the student's responsibility to notify the institution of any change in his or her physical location. Refer to the map on <u>State Authorization</u> to view which states allow online (distance education) outside of California.

## PLNU COPYRIGHT POLICY

Point Loma Nazarene University, as a non-profit educational institution, is entitled by law to use materials protected by the US Copyright Act for classroom education. Any use of those materials outside the class may violate the law.

### PLNU ACADEMIC HONESTY POLICY

Students should demonstrate academic honesty by doing original work and by giving appropriate credit to the ideas of others. Academic dishonesty is the act of presenting information, ideas, and/or concepts as one's own when in reality they are the results of another person's creativity and effort. A faculty member who believes a situation involving academic dishonesty has been detected may assign a failing grade for that assignment or examination, or, depending on the seriousness of the offense, for the course. Faculty should follow and students may appeal using the procedure in the university Catalog. See <u>Graduate Academic and General Policies</u> for definitions of kinds of academic dishonesty and for further policy information.

During the first week of class, you will be asked to submit an Academic Honesty Verification Statement. Submitting the statement is a requirement of this course. By submitting the Academic Honesty Verification Statement, you will be verifying all assignments completed in this course were completed by you. Carefully review the Academic Honesty Statement below.

Statement: "In submitting this form, I am verifying all the assignments in this course will be completed by me and will be my own work."

## PLNU ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATIONS POLICY

PLNU is committed to providing equal opportunity for participation in all its programs, services, and activities. Students with disabilities may request course-related accommodations by contacting the Educational Access Center (EAC), located in the Bond Academic Center (EAC@pointloma.edu or 619-849-2486). Once a student's eligibility for an accommodation has been determined, the EAC will issue an academic accommodation plan ("AP") to all faculty who teach courses in which the student is enrolled each semester.

PLNU highly recommends that students speak with their professors during the first two weeks of each semester/term about the implementation of their AP in that particular course and/or if they do not wish to utilize some or all of the elements of their AP in that course.

Students who need accommodations for a disability should contact the EAC as early as possible (i.e., ideally before the beginning of the semester) to assure appropriate accommodations can be provided. It is the student's responsibility to make the first contact with the EAC.

#### COURSE MODALITY DEFINITIONS

1. In-Person: Course meetings are face-to-face with no more than 25% online delivery.

2. Online: Coursework is completed 100% online and asynchronously.

**3. Online Synchronous:** Coursework is completed 100% online with required weekly online class meetings.

4. Hybrid: Courses that meet face-to-face with required online components.

## PLNU ATTENDANCE AND PARTICIPATION POLICY

Regular and punctual attendance at all **synchronous** class sessions is considered essential to optimum academic achievement. Therefore, regular attendance and participation in each course are minimal requirements. If the student is absent for more than 10 percent of class sessions, the faculty member will issue a written warning of de-enrollment. If the absences exceed 20 percent, the student may be de-enrolled without notice until the university withdrawal date or, after that date, receive an "F" grade. In some courses, a portion of the credit hour content will be delivered **asynchronously** and attendance will be determined by submitting the assignments by the posted due dates. See <u>Academic Policies</u> in the Graduate and Professional Studies Catalog. If absences exceed these limits but are due to university excused health issues, an exception will be granted.

**Online Asynchronous Attendance/Participation Definition:** Students taking online courses with no specific scheduled meeting times are expected to actively engage throughout each week of the course. Attendance is defined as participating in an academic activity within the online classroom which includes, but is not limited to:

- Engaging in an online discussion
- Submitting an assignment
- Taking an exam
- Participating in online labs
- Initiating contact with faculty member within the learning management system to discuss course content.

### USE OF TECHNOLOGY

In order to be successful in the online or hybrid environment, you'll need to meet the minimum technology and system requirements; please refer to the <u>Technology and System Requirements</u> information. Additionally, students are required to have headphone speakers, microphone, or webcams compatible with their computer available to use. Please note that any course with online proctored exams requires a computer with a camera (tablets are not compatible) to complete exams online.

Problems with technology do not relieve you of the responsibility of participating, turning in your assignments, or completing your class work.

## FINAL EXAMINATION POLICY

Successful completion of this class requires taking the final examination **on its scheduled day**. No requests for early examinations or alternative days will be approved.

## COURSE SCHEDULE AND ASSIGNMENTS

Module	Topics	Assignments
Module 1	Course Introduction, Three Approaches to CSR	Reading Note and Discussions
Module 2	The CSR Debate	Preparation - CSR Debate Worksheet CSR Debate Videos
Module 3	Alternatives to the Three Approaches	Discussions and Reflections
Module 4	Making Responsibility Happen	Discussions and Reflections Unilever Case Study Submission

For more details and precise due dates, see Canvas.