

Course Syllabus of ISM4905 2020 Spring

General Information	
Course Number/CRN	ISM 4905/CRN 14241
Course Title	Directed Independent Studies
Semester/Year	Spring/2020
Offering College/Department	Lutgert College of Business (LCOB)/Information Systems and Operations Management (ISOM)
Credit Hours	3
Meeting Times/Location	Meet Flornaldine Pierre every week on Campus. Canvas (http://canvas.fgcu.edu) will be used for the course throughout the semester.
Is this a DL Course?	NO.
Method of Delivery	In-class and Internet activities.
Course URL	http://canvas.fgcu.edu
Prerequisites	ISM3011 or an equivalent course with a minimum grade of C
Instructor Information	
Instructor	Professor Fan Zhao, Ph.D.
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Phone Number	239-590-7326
E-Mail Address	fzhao@fgcu.edu
Office Hours	Online: Anytime via e-mail at fzhao@fgcu.edu Your emails will be replied within 24 hours except weekends.
<p>Important Note: All faculty members are required to use Canvas to confirm a student's attendance for each course by the end of the first week of classes. Failure to do so will result in a delay in the disbursement of your financial aid. The confirmation of attendance is required for all students, not only those receiving financial aid. Every student must complete a mandatory activity in Canvas during the first week, which is the "Introduce Yourself" discussion forum in this course.</p>	
Course Information	
Description	<p>The course is a course for students independently studying information systems related to Virtual Reality and Higher Education.</p> <p>This course is designed to familiarize you with the fundamental concepts and principles of virtual reality and higher education. The topics that will be covered include: Human-Computer Interaction, Virtual Reality (VR), theories of higher education, experimental design, and academic research writing.</p>
Student Learning Outcomes	<p>After successfully completing this course, students will become able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Communicate effectively (Correspond to LCOB Learning Goal: Be effective communicators). (Assessment Method: Discussion) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be able to use correct IT terminologies properly. • Be able to check spelling and grammar using a tool available in a word processor or editing tools they use when available. • Be able to use a collaboration system to communicate with students who participate in the study, and the instructor. 2. Recognize various methods in both VR design and experimental design (Support LCOB Learning Goal: Have interdisciplinary business knowledge). (Assessment Method: final paper) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recognize characteristics of VR. • Recognize benefits in higher education from VR. 3. Select the best technology for the VR game development (Correspond to LCOB

	<p>Learning Goal: Be effective problem solvers). (Assessment Method: final paper)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assess the necessary characteristics of VR games. • Recognize and describe available options to acquire VR capabilities. • Recognize and describe pros and cons of available options to acquire VR capabilities. 												
Required Materials	<p>Required Software:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internet access and web browser • PDF reader such as Adobe Acrobat Reader (http://get.adobe.com/reader/) • Microsoft Word, Excel and Access 2010 or newer and a simple text editor (e.g. Notepad). • Simple text editor such as Notepad. • Unity (software for VR development) 												
Course Topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand the impact of VR in higher education • Understand programming skills of Unity • Understand how to conduct a literature review • Understand experimental design in research • Write an academic paper for the study 												
Grading Policy	<p>Graded Learning Activities/Assignments in this course: Percentage Distribution: 40% Weekly meeting and discussion 60% Final Paper (about 20 pages)</p> <p>Total: 100 points</p> <p>Grading Policy: Grading Policy below will be strictly applied. (e.g. 69.99 will be a D).</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="418 1213 824 1438"> <thead> <tr> <th>Letter Grade</th> <th>Score Range</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>A</td> <td>100 - 90%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>B</td> <td>< 90 - 80%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>C</td> <td>< 80 - 70%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>D</td> <td>< 70 - 60%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>F</td> <td>< 60%</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>No extra credit or additional assignment: Please be aware that FINAL GRADES FOR THIS COURSE ARE FINAL. No extra credit or additional assignments are available at the end of the course.</p> <p>Turnitin.com: Students who take this class must prepare electronic copies of some or all assignments to submit them to Turnitin.com for the detection of plagiarism. The University expects that all students will be evaluated and graded on their own work. If you use language, data or ideas from other sources, published or unpublished, you must take care to acknowledge and properly cite those sources. Failure to do so constitutes plagiarism. If your submission has a matching score of 20% or higher, it will not be graded. That is, you need to redo your work and resubmit your revision till the matching score is less than 20% to earn credit. Papers that are submitted to Turnitin.com become part of the Turnitin.com student paper database solely for the purpose of detecting plagiarism.</p>	Letter Grade	Score Range	A	100 - 90%	B	< 90 - 80%	C	< 80 - 70%	D	< 70 - 60%	F	< 60%
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	<p>“Credit hour” statement (developed by LCOB): For each credit of a class, you should expect to spend one hour in class and an average of 2 hours preparing outside of class each week. Therefore, since this is a 3-cr class, you should plan to devote an average of nine hours a week to this class.</p>
<p>Policy regarding missed exams and assignment completion deadlines</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No make up for missed exams for any reasons except for the authorized and excused absence specified in the university catalog. A student who seeks an authorized or excused absence must submit documentations (such as a physician’s note) to the instructor in a timely manner. See the university catalog for more information. • No late assignments will be accepted for any reasons except for the authorized and excused absence specified in the university catalog. A student who seeks an authorized or excused absence must submit documentations (such as a physician’s note) to the instructor in a timely manner. See the university catalog for more information. • "Dropped by the University for not paying the full tuition" is NOT a reason for the authorized and excused absence specified in the university catalog. • An emergency situation such as unavailability of or inaccessibility to Canvas (due to network problems) will be considered by the instructor case by case. A student must submit documentations (such as a screen shot of error messages) to the instructor in a timely manner.
<p>Statement on e-mail usage in Eagle mail and/or CANVAS email</p>	<p>In addition to Canvas, we will use FGCU Eagle Mail as the primary communication method. Students are expected to check Eagle Mail at least once a day.</p>
<p>Last Day to withdrawal</p>	<p>June 9 (F) is the last day to withdrawal without academic penalty.</p>
<p>Disclaimer</p>	<p>Assignments, schedules & due dates, instructions, and other course information presented in Canvas are integral components of the course material and are hereby incorporated as part of this syllabus.</p> <p>The instructor reserves the right to change, modify, alter, or transform any part of this syllabus, provided only that notice thereof is given to or at any party or parties that are thereby affected, subject to the rules and regulations of Florida Gulf Coast University.</p>
<p>University Statements</p>	
<p>Academic Behavior Standards and Academic Dishonesty</p> <p>All students are expected to demonstrate honesty in their academic pursuits. The university policies regarding issues of honesty can be found in the FGCU Student Guidebook under the <i>Student Code of Conduct and Policies and Procedures</i> sections. All students are expected to study this document which outlines their responsibilities and consequences for violations of the policy. The FGCU Student Guidebook is available online at http://studentservices.fgcu.edu/judicialaffairs/new.html.</p> <p>Sanctions for academic dishonesty may include receiving an “F” in this course – FGCU may impose additional penalties.</p> <p>Any incidents of academic dishonesty may be referred to the FGCU Office of Judicial Affairs. Please look up the definition of plagiarism – it includes copying something off the Internet & submitting it as your own work.</p> <p>Some examples of what is NOT OK to do:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working with another student & turning in the same work (e.g. spreadsheet, database, etc.). • Emailing or posting your work to let someone else “just see how you did it”. • Copying someone’s assignment or copying something from a book or the Internet. • Giving or receiving help from someone (in person, on line or on the phone) during an online test. 	

- Telling someone else what is on a test.

Examples of what is OK:

- Discussing how to approach an assignment with another student.
- Showing someone where they might have made a mistake on an assignment.
- Asking the professor for help.

Disability Accommodations Services

Florida Gulf Coast University, in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and the university's guiding principles, will provide classroom and academic accommodations to students with documented disabilities. If you need to request an accommodation in this class due to a disability, or you suspect that your academic performance is affected by a disability, please see me or contact the Office of Adaptive Services. The Office of Adaptive Services is located in Howard Hall, room 137. The phone number is 590-7956 or TTY 590-7930. In addition to classroom and campus accommodations, individuals with disabilities are encouraged to create their personal emergency evacuation plan and FGCU is committed to providing information on emergency notification procedures. You can find information on the emergency exits and Areas of Rescue Assistance for each building, as well as other emergency preparedness materials on the Environmental Health and Safety and University Police Department websites. If you will need assistance in the event of an emergency due to a disability, please contact Adaptive Services for available services and information.

Student Observance of Religious Holidays

All students at Florida Gulf Coast University have a right to expect that the University will reasonably accommodate their religious observances, practices, and beliefs. Students, upon prior notification to their instructors, shall be excused from class or other scheduled academic activity to observe a religious holy day of their faith. Students shall be permitted a reasonable amount of time to make up the material or activities covered in their absence. Students shall not be penalized due to absence from class or other scheduled academic activity because of religious observances. Where practicable, major examinations, major assignments, and University ceremonies will not be scheduled on a major religious holy day. A student who is to be excused from class for a religious observance is not required to provide a second party certification of the reason for the absence.

How To Log Into the Course in CANVAS

- Activate your FGCU EagleMail Account (if you have not done this yet). Your FGCU EagleMail account MUST be activated to log in to Canvas. If you are a first time student, you will need your PIN and Eagle ID, both of which are assigned at registration.
 - If you don't know your PIN, you will need to go to the Registrar's office to retrieve it.
 - To activate your account, visit <http://icarus.fgcu.edu:8080/EagleMail/UpdateAccount.jsp?mode=activate..>
- Log in to Canvas at <http://canvas.fgcu.edu>. You need to use FGCU EagleMail account and password to log in.
 - Place a mouse over "Courses" (Do NOT click it).
 - Select ISM3011-CRN 50066-Information Systems.