

RTV 6801: Telecommunication Management

Spring 2015 (section 0726)

Meets: Mondays 10:40-1:40 (4th-6th periods); Weimer 1098

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Objectives:

- 1) To understand foundational theory of media management;
- 2) To be able to apply this theory effectively to solve industry and workplace problems;
- 3) To understand trends and issues affecting management of the electronic media industry;
- 4) To understand, interpret, and practice both qualitative and quantitative research methods common to management for use in scholarship and industry;
- 5) To be able to interpret secondary data (e.g. ratings, shares, industry reports) and to apply this information effectively and strategically;
- 6) To be able to think creatively and strategically in order to successfully manage and lead.

Required Texts:

Course Pack: RTV 6801 from BookIT on 13th St. & University Ave. (near Holiday Inn)

Kramer, L. (2010) *C-Scape*. Harper Collins.

Recommended Texts:

Gershon, R. (2008). *Telecommunications management: Industry structures and planning strategies*. Routledge.

Küng, L. (2008). *Strategic management in the media*. Sage.

Chan-Olmsted, S. (2006). *Competitive strategy for media firms: Strategic and brand management in changing media markets*. Mahwah, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum.

Sylvie, G., Wicks, J.L., Hollifield, C.A., Lacy, S., & Sohn, A.B. (2007). *Media management: A casebook approach* (4th ed.). Mahwah, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum.

Pringle, P. & Starr, M. (2006). *Electronic media management* (5th ed.). Elsevier: Focal Press.

Albarran, A., Chan-Olmsted, S., & Wirth, M. (2006). *Handbook of media management and economics*. Mahwah, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum.

Hoskins, C., McFadyen, S., & Finn, A. (2004). *Media economics: Applying economics to new and traditional media*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

Christensen, C.M. (1997). *The Innovator's Dilemma: When New Technologies Cause Great Firms to Fail*. Boston: Harvard Business School.

Blanchard, K. & Johnson, S. (1982). *The One Minute Manager*. William Morrow.

Other Recommended Reading: *Multichannel News* and *Advertising Age*, both of which offer free online subscriptions. Other well-known and useful trade publications include *Television Week*, *Broadcasting and Cable*, and *Electronic Media*. The *Wall Street Journal* and *New York*

Times are recommended, as are *Business Week, Inc.*, and *The Economist*. All have frequent in-depth articles on the media industry and managerial issues.

Web Sites: <http://www.nielsenmedia.com>
 <http://www.scarborough.com/>
 <http://www.comscore.com/>
 <http://www.fcc.gov>
 <http://www.tvweek.com>
 <http://www.broadcastingcable.com>
 <http://www.radioink.com>
 <http://www.businessweek.com/managing>

Grading

A	94-100%
A-	90-93.95
B+	87-89.95
B	84-86.95
B-	80-83.95
C+	77-79.95
C	74-76.95
C-	70-73.95
D+	67-69.95
D	64-66.95
D-	60-63.95
E	Below 60

Evaluation

Case Briefs	30%
Research Proposal	8%
Manager Critique	15%
Final Paper	35%
Final Presentation	5%
Participation and Preparation	7%

Written Work

All written work is due at the time of class on the stated due date, and must be submitted via the **Assignment** function (TurnItIn) on our course Sakai (E-Learning) site by this time. (Please also turn in a hard copy on the day of class.) Please double-space all work and use APA style.

Academic Honesty

Familiarize yourself with the University of Florida's academic honesty policy. (They can be found at <http://www.dso.ufl.edu/sccr/>) You should not be here unless you are prepared to do your own original work. If I discover that you have been academically dishonest in this class in any way, I will fail you (for the semester).

You are responsible for knowing the definition of plagiarism and various kinds of academic dishonesty. Ignorance, i.e. "I didn't realize that was plagiarism" is not an acceptable response, and will not excuse you from academic dishonesty violations, if found. While you are responsible

for reading and understanding UF's policy in its entirety, examples of academic dishonesty include:

- Using phrases or quotes from another source without proper attribution
 - For purposes of this class, five or more words (verbatim) from a source without proper attribution will be considered plagiarism.
 - This can also include omitting quotation marks around verbatim content, even if source is noted with in-text parenthetical citation.
- "Forgetting" to source material you use (same as above, intentional or not)
- Passing off others' ideas as your own
- Turning in the same assignment or paper for two courses, i.e. "dual submission." (While this might be tolerated in other classrooms, it will not be tolerated here.)
- Stealing and/or copying other students' work, whether on a test or assignment
- Bribery
- Fabrication of material

Support Services

Academic Help: Additional services are available at:
 The Teaching Center
 The Reading and Writing Center
 SW Broward Hall, 392-2010
<http://teachingcenter.ufl.edu>

Disability Resources: If you have a disability that you believe will affect your performance in this class and/or need special accommodations, please see me.
 Additional information and services are available at:
 UF Disability Resource Center, 392-8565
<http://www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/>

(Students requesting classroom accommodation must first register with the Dean of Students Office. The Dean of Students Office will provide documentation to the student who must then provide this documentation to the Instructor when requesting accommodation.)

Academic and Personal Counseling: UF Counseling and Wellness Center
 Ph. 392-1575
 3190 Radio Road
<http://www.counseling.ufl.edu/cwc/Counseling-Services.aspx>

Course Evaluation

Students are expected to provide feedback on the quality of instruction in this course based on 10 criteria. These evaluations are conducted online at <https://evaluations.ufl.edu> . Evaluations are typically open during the last two or three weeks of the semester, but students will be given specific times when they are open. Summary results of these assessments are available to students at <https://evaluations.ufl.edu/results> .

Weekly Plan (subject to change)

Date	Topic	Due	Notes
Jan. 12	Course Intro Introduction to Media Management		Begin reading C-Scape.
Jan. 19	NO CLASS	“Get to Know You” forms Continue reading C-Scape (en lieu of class meeting).	Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday
Jan. 26	C-Scape, Parts 3-4 (Online discussion.)	1/28: Post C-Scape responses by Wed. @ 5pm. 1/28: Research Paper Proposal (Turn in via Sakai and my mailbox by 5pm.)	
Feb. 2	Structural Theory and Strategy	Case brief #1	
Feb. 9	Branding	Case brief #2	
Feb. 16	Promotion & Marketing		
Feb. 23	Market Analysis, Media Measurement, and Decision Making	Case brief #3	
Mar. 2	NO CLASS		SPRING BREAK
Mar. 9	Transnational Media Management		
Mar. 16	The Media Labor Force, Newsroom Mgmt., and Public Broadcasting		

Mar. 23	Organizational Culture	Case brief #4	
Mar. 30	Innovation and Value Creation	Case brief #5	
Apr. 6	Entrepreneurship and Market Entry	4/6: Manager Critique (Turn in via Sakai and my mailbox by 5pm.)	
Apr. 13	Managing Change Other readings TBA		
Apr. 20	Research Presentations	<u>Due:</u> Final Papers; Research presentations (in class).	Last day of class.