

Malone Accelerated Degree Completion Program in Management (MGMT)

Assessed by:

Faculty of Management Studies

Cycle of Assessment: Fall 2017 - Summer 2018

Mission Statement:

The Department of Management Studies is part of the School of Business & Leadership, exists to deliver dynamic, contemporary, faith based programs to the life-long learner. Our mission is to equip students with professional competencies based on management principles, Christian values, and ethical practices.

Program Goals:

- To develop critical thinkers who effectively manage and lead within an applied management context.
- To develop managers who effectively integrate Christian faith and values within multiple contexts.
- To develop managers who ethically lead others and serve their community.
- To develop learners who aspire to continued intellectual growth through research and problem solving.
- To develop leaders who demonstrate accomplished and applicable communication skills.

Program Intended Learning Outcomes (PILO)	Means of Program Assessment & Criteria for Success	Summary of Data Collected	Use of Results
A. Students will analyze and apply basic concepts and theories of management.	Pre/Post Program Exam – A 100 question exam which consists of questions applicable to the 11 content courses of the Accelerated Degree Completion Program in Management (MGMT). Exam is specific to the major. The exam was taken at the beginning of the program, which was embedded in the MGMT Orientation/Assessment non-credit course. And, again at the end of the program. Evaluation assessment tool, Pre/Post Exam, is taken online through the learning management system (Moodle) software platform. Comprehensive statistical analysis performed with student/cohort scores.	Pre/Post Program Exam is measured from starting cohort data to completed cohort data. The student's growth and understanding of management theory and application are measured through the overall score improvement taken from a comparison of pre-program exam scores to post-program exam scores. Post Exam - Effective August 2017, new delivery of Program (7-week semester courses) resulted in collection of post exam scores at the end of program course (MGMT410 Capstone in Critical Thinking). Detailed results can be found in pp. 18-31 of MGMT Student Learning Assessment Guide - Part III: Assessment consisted of five completed cohorts; average increase of 45% from pre to post period (1% increase from previous cycle; however, 20% increase above benchmark of 25%). All post results were above the minimal score of 68,	Pre/Post Program Exam Eliminate Pre exam due to delivery. Maintain post exam; no change. Implement post "before and after" self-assessment to determine changes in knowledge and skills. Continue to validate results of SLO quiz with course instructors as they are indicators that support the final post exam results. Maintain point allocation and second attempt process for post exam.

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