Syllabus: ABC/1100  
Title of the Course  
TERM 2014

***To instructor: This syllabus template has been created to provide distance-education-related course information and to be screen-reader accessible. Edit according to your own course policies and content, then remove the red notes.***

# Course overview

## Instructor

Instructor:

Email address:

Phone number:

Office hours:

## Course description

[Course description]

## Course learning outcomes

By the end of this course, students should successfully be able to:

* [Learning outcome]
* [Learning outcome]
* [Learning outcome]
* [Learning outcome]
* [Learning outcome]
* [Learning outcome]

## Course materials

***To instructor: List course textbooks and supplemental materials. Include citations, when appropriate, and indicate whether materials are print or electronic***

### Required

[Text Title] (print)

[Text Title] (electronic, on Carmen)

### Required supplemental materials

[Text Title] (print)

[Text Title] (print)

### Optional materials

[Text Title] (print)

[Text Title] (print)

## Course technology

***To instructor: Amend this list according to your course technology requirements***

### Baseline technical skills necessary for online courses

* Basic computer and web-browsing skills
* Navigating Carmen

### Technology skills necessary for this specific course

* CarmenConnect text, audio, and video chat
* Collaborating in CarmenWiki
* Recording a slide presentation with audio narration
* Recording, editing, and uploading video

### Necessary equipment

* Computer: current Mac (OS X) or PC (Windows 7+) with high-speed internet connection
* Webcam: built-in or external webcam, fully installed
* Microphone: built-in laptop or tablet mic or external microphone

### Necessary software

# Grading and faculty response

## Grades

| Assignment or category | Points |
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| Total | 100 |

*See course schedule, below, for due dates*

## Late assignments

[Fill in late assignment policy]]

## Grading scale

93–100: A   
90–92.9: A-   
87–89.9: B+  
83–86.9: B  
80–82.9: B-   
77–79.9: C+   
73–76.9: C  
70 –72.9: C-   
67 –69.9: D+   
60 –66.9: D  
Below 60: E

## Faculty feedback and response time

***To instructor: The following template provided as a suggestion; fill in your own policies***

I am providing the following list to give you an idea of my intended availability throughout the course. (Remember that you can call **614-688-HELP** at any time if you have a technical problem.)

### Grading and feedback

For large weekly assignments, you can generally expect feedback within **7 days**.

### E-mail

I will reply to e-mails within **24 hours on school days**.

### Discussion board

I will check and reply to messages in the discussion boards every **24 hours on school days**.

# Attendance, participation, and discussions

## Student participation requirements

***To instructor: The following template provided as a suggestion; fill in your own policies***

Because this is a distance-education course, your attendance is based on your online activity and participation. The following is a summary of everyone's expected participation:

* **Logging in**: **AT LEAST ONCE PER WEEK**Be sure you are logging in to the course in Carmen each week, including weeks with holidays or weeks with minimal online course activity. (During most weeks you will probably log in many times.) If you have a situation that might cause you to miss an entire week of class, discuss it with me as soon as possible.
* **Office hours and live sessions**: **OPTIONAL OR FLEXIBLE**All live, scheduled events for the course, including my office hours, are optional. For live presentations, I will provide a recording that you can watch later. If you are required to discuss an assignment with me, please contact me at the beginning of the week if you need a time outside my scheduled office hours.
* **Participating in discussion forums**: **4+ TIMES PER WEEK**As participation, each week you can expect to post at least four times as part of our substantive class discussion on the week's topics.

## Discussion and communication guidelines

***To instructor: The following template provided as a suggestion; fill in your own policies***

The following are my expectations for how we should communicate as a class. Above all, please remember to be respectful and thoughtful.

* **Writing style**: While there is no need to participate in class discussions as if you were writing a research paper, you should remember to write using good grammar, spelling, and punctuation. Informality (including an occasional emoticon) is fine for non-academic topics.
* **Tone and civility**: Let's maintain a supportive learning community where everyone feels safe and where people can disagree amicably. Remember that sarcasm doesn't always come across online.
* **Citing your sources**: When we have academic discussions, please cite your sources to back up what you say. (For the textbook or other course materials, list at least the title and page numbers. For online sources, include a link.)
* **Backing up your work**: Consider composing your academic posts in a word processor, where you can save your work, and then copying into the Carmen discussion.

# Other course policies

## Academic integrity policy

The Ohio State University’s Code of Student Conduct (Section 3335-23-04) defines academic misconduct as: “Any activity that tends to compromise the academic integrity of the University, or subvert the educational process.” Examples of academic misconduct include (but are not limited to) plagiarism, collusion (unauthorized collaboration), copying the work of another student, and possession of unauthorized materials during an examination. Ignorance of the University’s Code of Student Conduct is never considered an “excuse” for academic misconduct, so I recommend that you review the Code of Student Conduct and, specifically, the sections dealing with academic misconduct.

**If I suspect that a student has committed academic misconduct in this course, I am obligated by University Rules to report my suspicions to the Committee on Academic Misconduct.** If COAM determines that you have violated the University’s Code of Student Conduct (i.e., committed academic misconduct), the sanctions for the misconduct could include a failing grade in this course and suspension or dismissal from the University.

If you have any questions about the above policy or what constitutes academic misconduct in this course, please contact me.

Other sources of information on academic misconduct (integrity) to which you can refer include:

* The Committee on Academic Misconduct web pages ([COAM Home](http://oaa.osu.edu/coam.html))
* Ten Suggestions for Preserving Academic Integrity ([*Ten Suggestions*](http://oaa.osu.edu/coamtensuggestions.html))
* Eight Cardinal Rules of Academic Integrity ([www.northwestern.edu/uacc/8cards.htm](http://www.northwestern.edu/uacc/8cards.html)

## Accommodations for accessibility

### Requesting accommodations

If you would like to request academic accommodations based on the impact of a disability qualified under the Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, contact your instructor privately as soon as possible to discuss your specific needs. Discussions are confidential.

In addition to contacting the instructor, please contact the Office for Disability Services at 614-292-3307 or [ods@osu.edu](mailto:ods@osu.edu) to register for services and/or to coordinate any accommodations you might need in your courses at The Ohio State University.

Go to [http://ods.osu.edu](http://ods.osu.edu/" \t "_blank) for more information.

### Accessibility of course technology

This online course requires use of Carmen (Ohio State's learning management system) and other online communication and multimedia tools. If you need additional services to use these technologies, please request accommodations with your instructor.

* [Carmen (Desire2Learn) accessibility](http://www.desire2learn.com/products/accessibility/" \t "_blank)
* Streaming audio and video
* Synchronous course tools

# Course schedule (tentative)

| Week | Dates | Topics, Readings, Assignments, Deadlines |
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