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Corporate Social Responsibility (Names from F to N)

In view of the health context linked to the spread of the coronavirus, the methods of organisation and evaluation of the learning units could be adapted in different situations; these possible new methods have been - or will be - communicated by the teachers to the students.

4 credits	30.0 h	Q1

Teacher(s)	Desmet Carlos ;Truyens Vincent ;					
Language :	English					
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve					
Main themes	The course aims at providing tools enabling the students to elicit critical thinking on ethical, social and environment issues raised by contemporary organizations. The specificity of the firms' impact on economic life will be address by analyzing the principles and practices covered by the field of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR). CSR be studied as a reflector of the modern firms' self-awareness process in terms of social responsibility and a source of innovation in the face of today's challenges of competitiveness, sustainable development and transpar corporate governance. The theoretical references will moreover give way to more personal questioning period developed by the students in terms of their own aspirations, perceptions and observations as citizens. All the elements foster personal change that in its turn conveys transformations within the chosen organizations.					
Aims	The course is designed to develop competent and responsible practitioners. The final aim is to develop leaders who are capable of using academic knowledge to analyze and solve complex business dilemmas and drive change in companies and management towards sustainable and responsible organizations. At the end of the course, students should be able to:					
	 adopt a critical perspective on managerial practices related to societal issues; understand the background of CSR and the local, European and global contexts in which CSR is currently developing; analyze organizational challenges companies are facing, diagnose critical situations and evaluate different scenarios for the organization in order to propose decisions; co-create CSR projects with practitioners and get a feel for complex stakeholder dialogue in developing responsible and sustainable solutions; know their personal ethical values which can help you in the future to make better choices and give meaning to private and professional life. 					
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Evaluation methods	Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information in this section is particularly likely to change. Continuous evaluation					
	 Date: Yes Type of evaluation: Case study preparation in group, Participation Sulitest Comments: This work involve a written report, an oral presentation and a peer review of another work. accounts for 60% of the total. 					
	Evaluation week					
	 Oral: No Written: Yes (2 hours) Unavailability or comments: The written exam accounts for 40 % of the total. Students with a second session have three choices, they can either keep the marks from the continuou evaluation and pass the written exam again, or table an improved report by mid August latest and keep the written examination marks or presents both an improved report and present the written exam again 					
	Examination session					
	Oral: No Written: No Unavailability or comments: No					

Teaching methods	Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information in this section is particularly likely to change. The main goal of these courses is to develop the critical thinking skills of students. The emphasis is made on an intellectual and personal approach in order to familiarize the students with the various aspects of CSR while taking into account the wide range of sectors and contexts wherein the companies operate and exercise their influence. To this purpose, three means are used • General and interactive courses implying direct contacts with practitioners (managers, activists, lawyers); • e-learning • Team work and presentation on a CSR project; • Personal observations and testimonies likely to forge and articulate know-how and well-being conveying sense and creativity.
Content	Macro-trends with respect to sustainability (Main social, environmental, ethical, governance issues, Sustainable Development Goals') • Definitions and origins of the CSR concept • Risk & Opportunity management • Stakeholder management • Stakeholder dialogue & co-creation • Global responsible leadership • Coping with ethical dilemmas • CSR strategy design and implementation • Governance
Other infos	 Link with the LSM competency framework: Priority in this course is given to 1. corporate citizenship to enhance your ability to act consciously, aware of your responsibilities, placing human and ethical considerations at the very heart of your thinking and actions 2. master a multidisciplinary body of knowledge (contents, methods, models and conceptual frameworks) related to CSR and sustainable development; and 3. personal development to enhance your self-knowledge and independence, to better prepare yourself to deal with ethical dilemmas common in the practices of organizations. Secondary competences also developed in the course are 1. to manage a project by working in a team under conditions of resource constraints, to provide comprehensive analyses of challenging corporate situations related to the impact of companies/organizations on the natural environment or society at large; and 2. to communicate your analysis effectively to different stakeholders.
Faculty or entity in charge	CLSM

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)						
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Aims		
Master [120] in Ethics	ETHI2M	4		Q.		
Master [120] : Business Engineering	INGE2M	4		٩		
Master [120] in Motor Skills: Physical Education	EDPH2M	5		٩		
Master [120] in Public Administration	ADPU2M	5		٩		
Master [120] in Management	GEST2M	4		Q.		
Certificat universitaire en éthique économique et sociale	ETES9CE	5		٩		