Entrepreneurship and Management

Course description: Entrepreneurial Business Creativity 1844

This course takes various perspectives in studying creativity and creative thinking in relation to management, entrepreneurship and innovation. Your creative and innovative capabilities are improved during the course. The character of the course demands active student participation during exercises and team work.

Objective

You will develop understandings of the importance of creativity and innovation for the firm, and increase capabilities in performing innovative and creative activities.

Teaching language

English

Level

Intermediary

After course participation you will be able to:

- account for the role of creativity and innovation in relation the entrepreneur, the firm and organizations.
- identify, develop and evaluate business and innovation opportunities.
- describe on how to manage innovation processes.
- > analyze and discuss creative leadership.
- > choose the right type of creativity tool for managing creative activities

Literature

- ➤ Dahlén, M. (2008): Creativity unlimited: Thinking inside the box for business innovation. Chichester, England; Hoboken, NJ: John Wiley & Sons.
- ➤ Tidd, J & Bessant, J (2013) Managing Innovation. Integrating Technological, Market and Organizational Change, 5ed. Chichester: John Wiley.
- ➤ von Stamm, Bettina (2008) Managing Innovation, Design and Creativity, 2nd ed. Chichester: John Wiley.
- http://public-files.prbb.org/intervals/docs/4505824-Mckinsey-Starting-Up-Business-Planning-Manual.pdf
- > Osterwalder, A., & Pigneur, Y. (2010). Business model generation: a handbook for visionaries, game changers, and challengers. John Wiley & Sons.

Articles and other material as recommended by the course examiner

Teaching practices

Lectures, case, learning diary, article reflections and team work.

Examination and evaluation

Individual tasks	Scale	Maximum points	Deduction for late submission
Article reflections	(*3) 1-5p	15p	1p/task
Case	(*1) 1-5p	5p	lр
Business Model Assignment	(*1) 1-10p	10p	lp

Learning diary	(*1) 1-20	20p	2p
Activity in class	Scale	Maximum points	
Participation and contribution to class	1-10	10p	
Group task			
Business plan (written plan)	1-40p	40	5p
Total	0-100р	100р	

If you fail in meeting deadlines, that is, not handing in your assignments in time, a deduction of points will be made for each missed deadline (see table above). All tasks need to be solved before the last date of the course.

Timetable

A) Non-Scheduled (can be found on Moodle)

Moodle Tom Lahti	Lecture: The Roots of Entrepreneurship
Themes	 The problem of making definitions The economist research tradition Schumpeter's, Kirzner's, Baumol's and Knight's view on entrepreneurship Institutions and entrepreneurial activity A psychologic perspective on entrepreneurship. The development and orientation of entrepreneurship research.
Moodle Tom Lahti	Lecture: Opportunity discovery perspective
Themes	 The entrepreneurial process Discovery of business opportunities, a cognitive perspective ("connecting the dots") Sources for business opportunities (technological, social, demographic & political changes) Factors influencing discoveries of business opportunities
Moodle Tom Lahti	Lecture: Opportunity creation perspective
Themes	 Comparing viewpoints and assumptions behind the perspectives of discovering vs creating business opportunities. The "bricolage" concept The "effectuation" concept
Moodle Tom Lahti	Lecture: Business Models

Themes	 - An introduction to business models - Business model canvas - Basic types of business models - Circular and sustainable business models - As-a-Service Business Models 	
Moodle Tom Lahti	Lecture: Artificial Intelligence (AI) as business opportunity	
Themes	 - Key concepts - Important landmarks - Knowledge systems, robotics - Supervised learning, reinforcement learning - Neural nets/networks explained - Moral dilemmas - Barriers to adoption - Ecosystem platforms and AI - IBM Watson and other platforms - Applications and use cases 	
Moodle Tom Lahti	Lecture: Entrepreneurial thinking and creativity	
Themes	 Cognitive bias, heuristics Introducing the concept of "creativity". The creative entrepreneurial process. The relationship between inspiration, creativity, mindfulness, creativity and intelligence. Concept and creativity (combinations of concept, extending concepts, analogies) Leadership and creativity Myths about creativity 	
Moodle Tom Lahti	Lecture: Managing Innovation	
Themes	 Defining innovation The innovative process (identify, adjust, acquire, generate, chose, implement, learn) Innovation diffusion Managing portfolios Stage-gate model Calculating the present value in innovative projects (innovative project as real option) 	
Moodle Tom Lahti	Lecture: Collaboration in innovation	
Themes	- Review of transaction cost theory - Social and business networks, social capital - Strategic alliances; motives for collaboration, forms of collaboration	

	Innovation networksOpen innovationPlatforms and ecosystems
Moodle Tom Lahti	Lecture: The innovative organization
Themes	 Entrepreneurial orientation (EO) Ambidextrous leadership Cultural aspects, engaging people F-zones and bridging roles Internal corporate venturing

B) Scheduled Lectures/Workshops

19.1.2020: 14.15-15.45 (1,5 hours) Tom Lahti	Course introduction
Themes	 - Presentation of course purpose, learning objectives, examination, timetable etc. - Instructions tasks - Pros and cons in business planning and a review of the business plan. - Discussion of group work
26.1.2021: 14.15-15.45 (1,5 hours) Tom Lahti Teams	Workshop
Themes	- Exercises related to creativity and opportunity discovery
2.2.2021 14.15-15.45 (1,5 hours) Tom Lahti Teams	Workshop
Themes	- Exercises related to creativity and opportunity creation

9.2.2021: 14.15-15.45 (1,5 hours) Neema Komba Teams	Workshop
Themes	- Lecture about creativity for business success
	- Exercises related to creativity and product development.
11.2.2021: 12:30-13.30	
(1 hour)	
Jakob Wikstsröm	Guest lecture: The business model of Mobal.io (related to the
Founder and CEO of	business model assignment)
Mobal.io	
Teams	

Themes	 Story of the founding entrepreneur Background about the company Company's modus operandi Creation, delivery and capture of value 	
16.2.2021: 14.15-15.45 (1,5 hours) Mikael Paqvalén/ Founder and Chair of the Board at Kiosked and Trä group Teams	Guest Lecture: The entrepreneurial process from an entrepreneur's perspective	
Themes	 The creation of the venture Emergence of an idea Exploiting ideas Key learnings from the journeys Things to avoid 	

18.2.2021: 12.30-14.00 (1,5 hours) Matti Rautkivi/ Director of Strategy at Wärtsilä Teams	Guest lecture: Innovation management in Wärtsilä	
Themes	 Innovation Management -> tools and best practices Collaboration Closed and open innovation Opportunities for the future and threats 	
23.2.2021: 12.30-14.00 (1,5 hours) Teams	Workshop	
Themes	- You have the possibility to work on the business plan and ask questions related to it.	
2.3-2021: 14.15-15.45 (1,5 hours) Teams	Lecture: Presentation of Business Plans	
Themes	- All groups dispose 10 minutes for the presentation. Thereafter follows a 10 minutes discussion.	
4.3.2021: 12.30-14.00 (1,5 hours) Teams	Lecture: Presentation of Business Plans	
Themes	- All groups dispose 10 minutes for the presentation. Thereafter follows a 10 minutes discussion.	

Task instructions

You will as a student solve six different tasks: three article reflections, one case reflection, a business model ideation exercise and creation of a business plan. The character of these tasks is described below.

To reflect

When you reflect on something, you think deeply about it. Thus, when solving a task of reflection, you are supposed to communicate deep thoughts to the reader. This means that you should perform a systematic and goal-oriented review on the subject at hand. To reflect does not mean simply answering yes or no to a question, or without any structure or idea talk loosely about phenomena in your environment. You are expected to take a critical stance and make qualified recommendations.

Article reflection 1

Amabile, Teresa M. "Motivating creativity in organizations: On doing what you love and loving what you do." California management review 40.1 (1997): 39-58.

Amabile, Teresa M. How to kill creativity. Vol. 87. Boston, MA: Harvard Business School Publishing, 1998.

Reflect over the following questions:

- Describe the factors having a positive respectively a negative impact on creativity.
- ➤ How can managers create a work environment that promotes creativity?
- ➤ What is the most important thing that you have learned from reading the article? (About 500 words)

Deadline for submission 2.2. kl. 14.15

Article reflection 2

Harreld, J. Bruce, Charles A. O'Reilly, and Michael L. Tushman. "Dynamic capabilities at IBM: Driving strategy into action." California Management Review 49.4 (2007): 21-43.

Reflect over the following questions:

- Explain the concept of dynamic capability and describe why firms should develop such capabilities.
- ➤ Based on the concept of dynamic capabilities, explain the positive development in IBM during late 90s and early 2000.
- ➤ What is the most important thing that you have learned from reading the article? (About 500 words)

Deadline for submission 9.2 14.15

Article reflection 3

Chesbrough, Henry W. "Why Companies Should Have Open Business Models" MIT Sloan Management Review 40.2 (2007): 57-76.

- **Reflect over the following questions:**
- ➤ What is meant by the term Open Business Model?
- Why have Open Business Models appeared and what benefits are there with such business models?

- ➤ What types of Open Business Models are there? Give examples!
- ➤ What is the most important thing that you have learned from reading the article? (About 500 words)

Deadline for submission 16.2 14.15

Case

Chandrasekhar, R., "Intrapreneurship at Alcatel-Lucent" Ivey Business Cases, Ivey Publishing (2014).

Reflect over the following questions:

- How can intrapreneurship be promoted with the use of so called "Boot camp" programs? Describe how they work.
- ➤ What opportunities did the program bring to Alcatel-Lucent?
- What problems could appear due to the program/opportunities?

(About 500 words)

Deadline for submission 23.2. 14.15

Criteria	Superior	Sufficient	Minimal
Depth of	Response demonstrates an in-	Response demonstrates	Response demonstrates
reflection	depth reflection of concepts	a general reflection of	a minimal reflection of
3/5	presented in the articles.	concepts presented in	concepts presented in
	Viewpoints and	the articles. Viewpoints	the articles. Viewpoints
	interpretations are insightful	and interpretations are	and interpretations are
	and well supported. Clear,	supported. Appropriate	unsupported or
	detailed responses are	examples are provided,	supported with flawed
	provided, as applicable.	as applicable.	arguments. Examples
			when appropriate are
			not provided or are
			irrelevant to the article.
Required	Response includes all	Response includes all	Response is missing
components	components and meets or	components and meets	some components
1/5	exceeds all requirements	all requirements	and/or does not fully
	indicated in the instructions.	indicated in the	meet the requirements
	Each question or part of the	instructions. Each	indicated in the
	assignment is addressed	question or part of the	instructions. Some
	thoroughly.	assignment is addressed.	questions or parts of the
			assignment are not
			addressed.
Structure	Writing is clear, concise, and	Writing is mostly clear,	Writing is unclear, and
format	well organized with	concise, and well	disorganized. Thoughts
1/5	excellence	organized with good	are not expressed in a
	paragraph/sentence	paragraph/sentence	logical and coherent
	construction. Thoughts are	construction. Thoughts	manner. References
	expressed in a logical and	are expressed in a	included if applicable.
	coherent manner. References	logical and coherent	
	included if applicable.	manner. References	
		included if applicable.	

Business Model Assignment

On Tuesday 11.2 kl. 12.30-13.30 founding entrepreneur & CEO Jakob Wikström of Mobal.io will present his venture/business and its modus operandi. Listen carefully to the presentation, as you will have two tasks related to Jakob's presentation.

- a) Plot Mobal io's business model in Osterwalder's Business Model Canvas. This will show that you have understood how value is created, delivered and captured. For the sake of clarity, explanations of the 9 building blocks (illustrated in the canvas) should follow in the text.
- b) Provide suggestion on how the business model could be further developed and plot/illustrate these ides in the Business Model Canvas. To clarify what your suggestions for further development are you are advised to use different colours. Explanations should follow in the text (see also online lecture on Business Models).

The book: Osterwalder, A., & Pigneur, Y. (2010). *Business model generation: a handbook for visionaries, game changers, and challengers*. John Wiley & Sons. (found on the course homepage)

You may also find inspiration from the following video clip: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RzkdJiax6Tw

Deadline for submission 18.2. 12.30

Learning diary

For each lecture you should document your learning through answering the following questions (the non-scheduled and guest lectures):

- What was the main point(s) of the lecture?
- What did I know about this theme before I attended the lecture? What did I I learn?
- What specific things did I find interesting?
- What questions did the lecture arise in my head?
- What would I want to know more about?
- What did the things I learnt mean to me and how will I be able to use them in the future?

Deadline for submission 9.3. kl. 20.00

Group task (Business plan)

Form a group of four to five persons (no groups allowed smaller than four persons) and develop a business idea. Hand in a one page first draft of the business idea already in the second week of the course. You may deviate from this plan later on in the course. Thereafter, continue and create a business plan. The business plan should contain the following sections:

Structure and evaluation

- ***** Executive summary (2-3 pages, 5%, 2 points)
- ❖ Description of business idea (about 2 pages, 20%, 8 points)
- Team description (about 2 pages, 10%, 4 points)
- ❖ Market plan (about 5 pages, 30%, 12 points)
- ❖ Business system and organization (about 3-4 pages, 10%, 4 points)
- Action plan (about 2 pages, 10%, 4 points)
- ❖ Risk and risk assessment (about 2 pages, 5%, 2 points)
- ❖ Financial plan 10 (about 2-3 pages, 10%, 4 points)

The business plan will be presented in class by the end of the course (see course plan for exact date). Instructions are found in the lecture material. You can find a detailed description of business planning here:

http://public-files.prbb.org/intervals/docs/4505824-Mckinsey-Starting-Up-Business-Planning-Manual.pdf

Each business plan presentation is expected to be 10 minutes long. After the presentation follows a discussion for about 5-10 minutes. It is mandatory to be present at this activity.

Deadline for handing in the business idea description: 28.1 kl. 12.30

Deadline for the Complete Business Plan: 28.2 kl. 16.00

Deadlines

28.1: 12.30 hours: Deadline for business idea description (draft)

2.2: 14.15 hours: Deadline reflection task 1 9.2: 14.15 hours: Deadline reflection task 2 16.2: 14.15 hours: Deadline reflection task 3

18.2: 12.30 hours: Deadline for business model assignment

23.2:14.15 hours: Deadline reflection task 4 (case) 28.2: 16.00 hours: Deadline for business plan 9.3: 20.00 hours: Deadline for learning diary

- Hand in all tasks on the course page in Moodle. Every task has a dedicated folder.
- Password for Moodle page is creativity2021

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