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Business Etiquette and Professionalism

Objective: The Business Etiquette and Professionalism course aims to provide participants with the essential knowledge and skills to navigate professional settings with confidence, professionalism, and cultural sensitivity. Participants will develop a strong understanding of business etiquette, effective communication, professional appearance, and appropriate behavior in various business situations.

Week 1: Introduction to Business Etiquette and Professionalism
- Understanding the importance of business etiquette and professionalism
- Key elements of professional behavior and conduct
- Cultural considerations in a global business environment

Week 2: Professional Appearance and Dress Code
- Dressing for success: appropriate attire for different business settings
- Grooming and personal hygiene standards
- Adapting to different dress codes and cultural norms

Week 3: Effective Communication Skills
- Verbal and non-verbal communication in the business context
- Active listening and effective questioning techniques
- Communicating with clarity, confidence, and diplomacy

Week 4: Business Networking and Relationship Building
- Building professional relationships and expanding networks
- Networking etiquette: introductions, small talk, and follow-ups
- Leveraging social media for professional networking

Week 5: Business Meetings and Presentations
- Preparing for and conducting successful business meetings
- Effective meeting etiquette: agendas, time management, and participation
- Delivering impactful presentations: structure, visuals, and public speaking skills

Week 6: Professional Email and Written Communication
- Writing professional emails: structure, tone, and etiquette
- Business writing essentials: memos, reports, and proposals
- Proofreading and editing for accuracy and clarity

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Week 7: Cross-Cultural Business Etiquette
- Understanding cultural differences and their impact on business interactions
- Adapting communication and behavior in diverse cultural contexts
- Respecting cultural norms and avoiding cultural faux pas

Week 8: Business Etiquette in Social Settings
- Hosting and attending business dinners and social events
- Dining etiquette: table manners, toasts, and seating arrangements
- Building rapport and maintaining professionalism in informal settings

Week 9: Professional Ethics and Integrity
- Understanding ethical principles in business
- Handling ethical dilemmas and conflicts of interest
- Building a reputation for integrity and ethical behavior

Week 10: Business Etiquette for the Digital Age
- Professional use of technology and social media
- Virtual meeting etiquette: video conferencing, email, and chat etiquette
- Maintaining a professional online presence and personal branding

Assessment and Evaluation
- Participation in discussions and activities
- Written assignments on business etiquette scenarios and case studies
- Presentation on a chosen topic related to business etiquette and professionalism