

Business Management Spring 2014 Student SLO Report

1. What did you like about this program?

Text Response

I really liked how easy it was to communicate with instructors.

I liked that while being a manager for 3 different companies throughout my time here I was able to apply some of the things I learned to my work right away.

I liked that the instructors were truly passionate about what they taught.

I liked the fact that you usually had the same people in your classes and we all kind of went through the program together then. I liked that there wasn't really any classes that I felt couldn't be applied to business management so I wasn't wasting any time or money on useless classes.

I liked that all of the teachers that I had were excited about what they were teaching.

learning about the different areas of business

I liked having the ability to meet new people.

I liked most teachers in the program.

It gave a lot of different areas within management to study

Knowledge in all areas of business.

I really enjoyed the variety of courses that were required for the Business Management degree.

Gave me a well rounded education in business.

I feel like I have developed into something that I once felt like was impossible for me to obtain. Attending Western has really opened my eyes to life in general and that success is what you make of it. No one is responsible for yourself but you and you need to take care of business in order to get the most out of life. I enjoyed learning about business and marketing in many different aspects and all the different friends and networks I created while being a part of the school.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	12

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2. What would you change about this program?

Text Response

nothing

I would make it possible for someone who can only go to school at nights to graduate this course. On a side note, the administrative assistant in the business (she's a Viking fan, that all I remember) is very rude to students. I have had three encounters with her and none of them were good. In my opinion she's a very rude person and should not speak to people with such a lack of respect. An example being I went in after my first semester (which was a fall semester) and asked to speak with an adviser to get help signing up for classes. She looked at me like I was stupid and said advisers aren't here in the summer, that I needed to learn how to sign up for classes on my own. Very bad experience. Another time I was there to meet with Gary Brown (who was super nice), and she told me to take a seat and she'd call me when he was available. After 25 minutes I asked her if Gary was available yet, thinking maybe she forgot about me, and she said, "did I call you yet" I said "No", and she said, "well there's your answer, so go sit back down". She is a very rude person and I think has or will drive away students.

I think things that we did in the Professional Development class (interview skills, resume building, etc) should be taught and spread out over the course of the entire program rather than crammed into one semester.

Have more than one teacher offered for required courses. Also for capstone class there was two classes offered but both were at the same time so if that didn't work for your schedule you were out of luck so I would say more time options for certain classes.

The capstone class, we should still be taught and guided on the projects not just told that we are to do it on our own. Or when we ask a question to our teacher, our teacher should be the one to help us because it is her class and not told to find an outside source.

make the classes shorter and maybe available online

I would change nothing.

When students sign up for classes for their program in their first year, it is crucial for any advisor to know what classes they must take in order to follow the curriculum.

Add more of an entrepreneur look at things. A lot of the lectures and assignments were dealing with managing large companies and many of us just want to open our own business or manage a small business

Add more entrepreneur classes

Can not think of anything at this time.

I think the Capstone class can be a bit hectic at times but it does a good job of including all areas of the course. A little more explaining would be helpful sometimes, but overall its a good program.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	12

3. As a result of this program:

Question	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Responses
I have learned effective communication skills.	0	0	1	8	2	11

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4. Provide any comments you have on effective communication skills you learned.

Text Response

none

I really liked the current events teachers made students do sometimes on a weekly basis. It promotes effective communication skills and helps students get over their presentation fears. Professional development helped dramatically with interviewing skills

There were a lot of classes that required public speaking. At first it was difficult, but the more I had to do it, the more comfortable I was.

Statistic

Value

Total Responses

5

5. As a result of this program:

Question	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Responses
I am able to apply mathematical concepts.	0	0	3	7	1	11

6. Provide any comments you have on mathematical concepts you learned.

Text Response

none

I thought it would have been nice to look into doing things like payroll and taxes too. I really have not used any mathematical concepts that I have learned (i.e., accounting or financial analysis).

Statistic

Value

Total Responses

4

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7. As a result of this program:

Question	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Responses
I learned how to transfer social and natural science theories into practical applications.	0	0	6	5	0	11

8. Provide any comments you have on transferring social and natural science theories into practical applications.

Text Response

none

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	2

9. As a result of this program:

Question	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Responses
I learned critical thinking skills.	0	0	0	5	6	11

10. Provide any comments you have on critical thinking skills you learned.

Text Response

none

Some of the methods of team thinking and critical thinking I have already applied to my current and past jobs

I loved the problem solving class that Barb Wenzel taught. It was amazing and certainly where my passion lies.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	3

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11. As a result of this program:

Question	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Responses
I have learned to use technology effectively.	0	0	0	7	4	11

12. Provide any comments you have on what you learned about using technology effectively.

Text Response

maybe speed up internet if possible

I am so much better with Microsoft word and Excel

Linkedin was a great example of technology advancement

Learned a lot about LinkedIn and facebook during our last semester in professional development.

Statistic

Value

Total Responses

4

13. As a result of this program:

Question	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Responses
I have learned to value myself and work ethically with others in a diverse population.	0	0	0	4	7	11

14. Provide any comments you have on what you learned about valuing yourself and working ethically with others in a diverse population.

Text Response

none.

Taking Diversity and change management is a great class. I think all business management students should have to take the class. Gives you a chance to see the world through someone else's eyes

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Total Responses	2

15. As a result of this program:

Question	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Responses
I am able to make decisions that incorporate the importance of sustainability.	0	0	0	8	3	11

16. Provide any comments you have on what you learned about incorporating the importance of sustainability in decisions you make.

Text Response

none

I wish we spent more time on sustainability, I also really enjoy this topic.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	3

17. As a result of this program, I learned to:

Question	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Responses
plan the operations of a business across functional areas.	0	0	0	8	3	11

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18. Provide any comments you have about learning this program outcome.

Text Response

none

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	2

19. As a result of this program, I learned to:

Question	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Responses
organize resources to achieve the goals of an organization.	0	0	0	6	5	11

20. Provide any comments you have about learning this program outcome.

Text Response

none

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	2

21. As a result of this program, I learned to:

Question	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Responses
control business processes.	0	0	1	5	5	11

22. Provide any comments you have about learning this program outcome.

Text Response

none

The simulations are very effective.

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Total Responses	3

23. As a result of this program, I learned to:

Question	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Responses
direct individuals and/or processes to meet organizational goals.	0	0	1	8	2	11

24. Provide any comments you have about learning this program outcome.

Text Response
none

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	2

25. As a result of this program, I learned to:

Question	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total Responses
apply principles of corporate responsibility.	0	0	1	9	1	11

26. Provide any comments you have about learning this program outcome.

Text Response
none

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	2

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27. CONCLUSION - Please use this space to share any other feedback, comments, or suggestions about your experience at Western Technical College.

Text Response

none

Overall I liked it and thought it was a good program. I had fun my two years in this program. I thought that I had a good experience here.

Business Management was a great program. Learned a lot in the two years and the teachers for every class had an abundance in information and real life situations to share.

All-in-all I really enjoyed my time at Western Technical College. The instructors were all great and really helped prepare my for the business world.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	6