# uc3m Universidad Carlos III de Madrid

## Career and personal development

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Department assigned to the subject:

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Type: Compulsory ECTS Credits: 2.0

Year: 1 Semester: 2

# REQUIREMENTS (SUBJECTS THAT ARE ASSUMED TO BE KNOWN)

No requirement

#### **OBJECTIVES**

By the end of the course students will be able to:

- -Design their own career plan basing on a well-balanced decision making.
- -Handle Human Resources methods and apply them to their professional life.
- -Understand resilience as a core survival skill of the future working environment and identify opportunities to develop it.
- -Assess their own strengths and weaknesses and identify strategic competencies to build their personal branding.

#### **DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: PROGRAMME**

CLASS 1. Competency- based Management: A professional approach for career development.

Concept of Competency

Use of competencies in Recruitment, Performance Appraisal and Career Plan.

The dictionary of competencies.

Cases/Exercises:

Our dictionary of Competencies

My competencies profile.

CLASS 2: Career Plan

5 steps to move forward.

Implementing a Strategic Career Plan.

Guidelines for Writing a Competency Based Job Description

Cases/Exercises:

Having a first contact with my career plan (Merlin Method)

My future Job: Complete description

Class 3: Personal Change

Overview of a personal change process.

The principles of self-coaching.

My inner laws: values, beliefs and habits.

Cases/Exercises:

Set of Values

Beliefs about change / career

Self-sabotage.

Personality characteristics, needs and values through written text. "Watson" (Artificial Intelligence)

An effort to synthesize: Professional Title and Abstract.

Class 4: Resilience

Concept of Resilience.

Competencies involved in resilient attitudes.

Cases/Exercises:

Performance Appraisal.

Collective intelligence to find development activities.

Design of a Personal Development Plan of action.

Class 5: Job Hunting Tools (I). Personal Branding.

Cases/Exercises:

Resume and cover letter

LinkedIn: How to make the most of this professional Network

Buffer: How to Look for a easier way to manage your social media marketing

Feedly: How to monitor news about your, industry, business topics...

Class 6: Job Hunting Tools (II). Assessment Center

Cases/Exercises:

Job Interview.

Competency Based Interview.

Group dynamics to assess competencies.

Class 7: Action Plan

Cases/Exercises:

Presentation of my Development Plan

## LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND METHODOLOGY

### Exercises:

- Our dictionary of Competencies, My competencies profile.
- Merlin Method, Job Description.
- Set of Values, Beliefs about change, Self-Sabotage, An effort to synthesize.
- Performance Appraisal, Development Activities, Personal Development Plan.
- Cv and LinkedIn profile review.
- Competency based interview, Assessment Center.
- Presentation of my Development Plan

## ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

Final Work ¿ Career Plan (80 %)

Report of your findings along the program, following the next framework:

- 1) The place where you are:
- ¿ CV including Job Title and abstract.
- ¿ Competencies profile (all your findings from the performance appraisal and other assessments carried out in class).
- ¿ Set of values (4-6 including your own definition).
- ¿ Other considerations you are going to take into account related to your reality testing (beliefs, inner obstacles, paradigm Victim/Creator ¿).
- 2) The place where you want to be:
- ¿ Long Term Goal: Vision statement.
- ¿ Medium Term Goal: Smart Goals to achieve your vision statement.
- ¿ Short Term Goal: Complete job description.
- 3) What it will take you to get there:
- ¿ Personal Development Plan (Action Plan presented in class).
- ¿ Collateral aspects, conclusions from Happenstance theory, ¿
- ¿ Other considerations you are going to take into account.

Attitude (20 %)

- Participation in class discussions.
- Commitment with learning exercises.

¿ Presentation in class.

% end-of-term-examination: 0
% of continuous assessment (assigments, laboratory, practicals...): 100

## **BASIC BIBLIOGRAPHY**

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