

DESCRIPTION OF ELECTIVE COURSE

Name of the school: Haute école de gestion de Genève	Academic Year: 2025-2026
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1. Domain	Business and Services	
2. Department	International Business Management	
3. Course name	Innovation Management	
4. Code	31050	
5. Type of education	Bachelor Bachelor	
	☐ Master	
	□ MAS	
	□ □ DAS / CAS / single days	
6. Number of ECTS Credits	5	
7. Prerequisites	□ Validation of the modules in semesters 1 and 2	
	semesters 5 and 6 for part-time students	
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8. Teaching language	☐ French	
	☐ German	
	☐ English	
	☐ Other:	
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9. Objectives	The objectives of the courses are to:	
	 provide students with a comprehensive understanding of innovation, including its types, importance, and the various models and theories that explain how innovation occurs in different contexts. 	
	equip students with knowledge of how organizations can develop and implement strategies to foster innovation, including open innovation, cocreation, and innovation ecosystems.	
	enhance students' creativity and their ability to generate, develop, and evaluate new ideas that could lead to successful innovations.	
	4. introduce students to the processes involved in managing innovation, from idea generation through to commercialization, including the stages of product development, prototyping, and market testing.	
	5. examine how organizational structures, cultures, and leadership styles influence innovation, and how companies can create environments that	



support and encourage innovative thinking.

- 6. measure and evaluate the performance of innovation activities, including metrics for assessing the innovation process, outputs, and outcomes.
- 7. provide students with practical experiences through case studies, project work, and interactions with innovators, enabling them to apply theoretical knowledge to real-world scenarios.

10. Contents

(General themes and descriptions, the accurate content may change) The course is articulated as follows:

Module 1: Understanding Innovation

This introductory module will cover the basics of innovation, including
definitions, types, and the importance of innovation in today's competitive
landscape. Students will learn about various models and theories of innovation
such as open and closed innovation models, and how these apply in different
organizational and industry contexts.

Module 2: Developing and Implementing Innovation Strategies

 Students will explore how organizations can create strategies to foster innovation. This includes studying concepts like open innovation, co-creation with customers, and building innovation ecosystems. Case studies of successful innovation strategies will be discussed, alongside frameworks for strategic planning and execution in innovation management.

Module 3: Enhancing Creativity and Idea Generation

 This module focuses on the human side of innovation, emphasizing creativity techniques, idea generation, and development processes. Students will engage in workshops and exercises designed to boost their creative thinking skills and learn how to effectively evaluate and refine ideas.

Module 4: Managing the Innovation Process

 Description: Covering the journey from idea to market, this module details the stages involved in managing innovation, including ideation, product development, prototyping, and market testing. Students will learn about agile and lean startup methodologies, and how these approaches can accelerate the innovation process.

Module 5: Influence of Organizational Structures on Innovation

 This part of the course examines the impact of organizational structures, culture, and leadership on fostering an innovative environment. Discussions will cover how companies can cultivate a culture of innovation, manage resistance to change, and design organizations that support continuous innovation.

Module 6: Measuring Innovation

 Students will learn how to assess and measure the effectiveness of innovation activities. This includes studying various metrics and indicators for evaluating the innovation process, outcomes, and the overall impact on organizational performance.

Students will work on a project that requires them to apply all the concepts learned to audit an organization and provide recommendations to improve their innovation management practices.



11. Evaluation	The grading of the module shall be based on:
	Mid-term assessments during weeks 1 to 15 according to the decision of the instructor.
	(The methods and weightings are communicated by the instructor before the evaluations)
12. Remediation/repetition	 ⊠ Compulsory remediation if the module grade is between 3.5 and 3.9 / 6. When subject to a remediation, only the grade of the remedial exam will be taken into account (maximum grade 4.0). A repeated module cannot benefit from a remedial exam. □ No remediation
13. Coordinator / main instructor	Sonia Ben Hamida and Mathieu Saccani
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	 ☐ Basic module ☐ Advanced module ☑ Specialized module
14. Level	 □ Basic module □ Advanced module ☑ Specialized module □ Other: ☑ Module is mandatory (which could lead to final dismissal from the program,