

Business Ethics and Corporate Governance

Module Code: DLMBAEBECG

Module Type	Admission Requirements	Study Level	CP	Student Workload
see curriculum	None	MBA	5	150 h

Semester / Term	Duration	Regularly offered in	Language of Instruction and Examination
see curriculum	Minimum 1 semester	WiSe/SoSe	English

Module Coordinator

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Contributing Courses to Module

- Business Ethics and Corporate Governance (DLMBAEBECG01)

Module Exam Type

Module Exam

Study Format: myStudies

Written Assessment: Written Assignment

Study Format: Distance Learning

Written Assessment: Written Assignment

Split Exam

Weight of Module

see curriculum

Module Contents

- Introduction to Business Ethics and Corporate Governance
- Ethics Theories
- Business Ethics Problem Areas and Solutions
- Basic Perspectives of Corporate Governance
- Monitoring Concepts for Corporate Governance
- Combining Business Ethics and Corporate Governance

Learning Outcomes**Business Ethics and Corporate Governance**

On successful completion, students will be able to

- explain the most important concepts and definitions of business ethics.
- distinguish important theories of business ethics.
- implement business ethics concepts in business practice.
- explain different understandings of corporate governance.
- highlight the influences of business ethics on corporate governance.
- discuss the relationship between business ethics and corporate governance on the basis of a term paper using an example from business practice.

Links to other Modules within the Study Program

This module is similar to other modules in the field of Economics

Links to other Study Programs of the University

All Master Programs in the Business & Management fields

Business Ethics and Corporate Governance

Course Code: DLMBAEBECG01

Study Level	Language of Instruction and Examination	Contact Hours	CP	Admission Requirements
MBA	English		5	None

Course Description

Within the framework of the course "Business Ethics and Corporate Governance", the students prepare a written assignment for which they have to select one out of a variety of topics proposed in the Learning Management System. Students are required to demonstrate their capacity to link business ethics and corporate governance, both theoretically and based on an example from business practice. The students show the ability to familiarize themselves with the topic, to link scientific theory and entrepreneurial practice and to present their findings in a structured systematic way.

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Contents

1. Introduction to Business Ethics and Corporate Governance
 - 1.1 Basic Terms and Definitions in Business Ethics
 - 1.2 Basic Terms and Definitions in Corporate Governance
 - 1.3 The Link between Business Ethics and Corporate Governance
2. Ethics Theories
 - 2.1 Ethics Theories
 - 2.2 Comparison between Deontology and Utilitarianism
 - 2.3 Business Ethics Concepts evolving from Ethics Theories

3. Business Ethics Problem Areas and Solutions
 - 3.1 Categorization of Ethical Problems in Business
 - 3.2 Components of a Corporate Ethics Program
 - 3.3 Ethics Implementation in Business Practice
4. Basic Perspectives of Corporate Governance
 - 4.1 Important Terms and Definitions of Corporate Governance
 - 4.2 Approaches to Corporate Governance
 - 4.3 The Concept of Control
5. Monitoring Concepts for Corporate Governance
 - 5.1 Governance Mechanisms
 - 5.2 Governance Systems
 - 5.3 Corporate Governance Codes
6. Combining Business Ethics and Corporate Governance
 - 6.1 Linking Business Ethics and Corporate Governance
 - 6.2 Developing an Ethically Oriented Corporate Governance
 - 6.3 Leadership in the Context of Ethical Corporate Governance

Literature

Compulsory Reading

Further Reading

- Dimmock, M., & Fisher, A. (2017). Ethics for A-level. Open Book Publishers.
- Rendtorff, J. D. (2019). Cosmopolitan business ethics: Towards a global ethos of management. Taylor & Francis.
- Rossouw, D., & Van Vuuren, L. (2017). Business ethics (6th ed.). Oxford University Press.
- Treviño, L. K., & Nelson, K. A. (2017). Managing business ethics: Straight talk about how to do it right (7th ed.). Wiley & Sons.
- Ulrich, P. (2008). Integrative economic ethics: Foundations of a civilized market economy. Cambridge University Press.

Study Format myStudies

Study Format myStudies	Course Type Lecture
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Information about the examination	
Examination Admission Requirements	BOLK: yes Course Evaluation: no
Type of Exam	Written Assessment: Written Assignment

Student Workload					
Self Study	Contact Hours	Tutorial	Self Test	Independent Study	Hours Total
110 h	0 h	20 h	20 h	0 h	150 h

Instructional Methods	
<input type="checkbox"/> Learning Sprints® <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Course Book <input type="checkbox"/> Vodcast <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shortcast <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Audio <input type="checkbox"/> Exam Template	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Review Book <input type="checkbox"/> Creative Lab <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guideline <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Live Tutorium/Course Feed <input type="checkbox"/> Reader <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Slides

Study Format Distance Learning

Study Format Distance Learning	Course Type Online Lecture
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Information about the examination	
Examination Admission Requirements	BOLK: yes Course Evaluation: no
Type of Exam	Written Assessment: Written Assignment

Student Workload					
Self Study 110 h	Contact Hours 0 h	Tutorial 20 h	Self Test 20 h	Independent Study 0 h	Hours Total 150 h

Instructional Methods	
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