



The University of Jordan
Accreditation & Quality Assurance Center

COURSE Syllabus

1	Course title	Front Office Management
2	Course number	5302214
3	Credit hours (theory, practical)	3
	Contact hours (theory, practical)	1, 4
4	Prerequisites/corequisites	NON
5	Program title	B.A Program
6	Program code	02
7	Awarding institution	UNIVERSITY OF JORDAN
8	Faculty	TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY
9	Department	HOTEL MANAGEMENT
10	Level of course	2
11	Year of study and semester (s)	SECOND SEMENSTER 2014/2015
12	Final Qualification	B.A Program
13	Other department (s) involved in teaching the course	NON
14	Language of Instruction	ENGLISH
15	Date of production/revision	SECOND SEMENSTER 2014/2015

16. Course Coordinator:

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17. Other instructors:

NON

18. Course Description:

As stated in the approved study plan.

The course deals with the culture of the reception (front office) department, including reservation, concierge, guest relation, communication services, etc. It explains in details and specifications the functions, responsibilities, manners, and language of the front office clerk. Training is an essential part for this course.

19. Course aims and outcomes:**A- Aims:**

1. The essential knowledge and skills required for management in hiring front office employees
2. renting rooms within the hospitality industry; property management systems (Opera, SkyHorizon, Hotellinx, Innside, OnQ), reservations, bookings, 3. dealing with guest complaints.
4. The students must be able to deal with the eight following areas: reservations, registration, front office accounting, check-out and settlement, telephone switchboard, uniformed service, night audit, computer/information system.

B- Intended Learning Outcomes (ILOs): Upon successful completion of this course students will be able to ...

After successful completion of this course the students will be able to:

1. classify hotels in terms of their ownership, affiliation, and levels of service.
2. describe how hotels are organized and explain how functional areas within hotels are classified.
3. summarize front office operations during the four stages of the guest cycle.
4. discuss the sale dimension of the reservation process and identify the tools that managers use to track and control reservations.
5. identify typical service requests that guests make at the front desk.
6. describe the process of creating and maintaining front office accounts.
7. identify functions and procedures related to the check-out and account settlement process.
8. summarize the steps in the front office audit process.
9. apply the formulas the managers use to forecast room availability

20. Topic Outline and Schedule:

Topic	Week	Instructor	Achieved ILOs	Evaluation Methods	Reference
Role of the Front Office In The Hotels Organization & Importance of the communication in front office department	1-2	Mohammad Aldweik	A.1+B.1+B.4	Lectures and Discussions	Text Book
SAFETY, SECURITY AND CUSTOMER CARE RESPONSIBILITIES	2	Mohammad Aldweik	A.2+B.2+B.3	Lectures and Discussions	Text Book

Communication and Notification and Records	3	Mohammad Aldweik	A.3+B.4+B.5	Lectures and Discussions	Text Book
Reservation procedures & check in procedures	4	Mohammad Aldweik	A.4+B.6	Lectures and Discussions+quizz	Text Book
Electronic Management in the front office department	5	Mohammad Aldweik	A.4+B.7	Lectures and Discussions	Text Book
Guest accounting	6-7	Mohammad Aldweik	A.2+A.4+B.8	Lectures and Discussions	Text Book
Payment methods	8-9	Mohammad Aldweik	A.4+B.9	Mid exam	Text Book
Checking out procedures	10-11	Mohammad Aldweik	A.2+A.4++B.4 B.8	Lectures and Discussions	Text Book
Guest Statistics	12	Mohammad Aldweik	A.2+A.4+B.4+ B.8	Lectures and Discussions+ Quizz	Text Book
Operational reports	13	Mohammad Aldweik	A.2+A.4+B.4+ B.8	Lectures and Discussions	Text Book
Selling methods used by front office	13	Mohammad Aldweik	A.2+A.4+B.4+ B.8	Lectures and Discussions	Text Book
Review in the course	14	Mohammad Aldweik	A.2+A.4+B.4+ B.8	Lectures and Discussions	Text Book
Training in sky horizons system for front office management and reservation & presentation	15	Mohammad Aldweik		Lectures and Discussions	Text Book

21. Teaching Methods and Assignments:

Development of ILOs is promoted through the following teaching and learning methods:

- Lectures, which cover the duration the semester.
- Students' active participation in purposeful class discussion.
- The availability of a supportive web site, which provides rich examples, cases, as well as exercises and questions, which add to the learning experience.
- Individual questions regarding course contents/subjects.

22. Evaluation Methods and Course Requirements:

Opportunities to demonstrate achievement of the ILOs are provided through the following assessment methods and requirements:

The following methods of learning assessment may be used for the various levels of learning in this course:

- Tests and Exams.
- Course Work (Quizzes, Assignments and Group Works).
- Term Project.

Element	Weight
Class Participation & report	10%
Quizzes	10%
Mid Test	30%
Final Test	50%
Total	100%

23. Course Policies:

A- Attendance policies:

-Students are expected to attend all classes of this course (without exception). A prior approval is required for class absence except for emergencies. However, any student with 7 Classes short attendance will be enforced to withdraw from the course, and the student will receive EW in his/her transcript for this course.

-Absence from lectures shall not exceed 15%. Students who exceed the 15% limit without a medical or emergency excuse acceptable to an approved by the Dean of the faculty shall not be allowed to take the final examination and shall receive a mark of zero for the course. If the excuse is approved by the Dean, the student shall be considered to have withdrawn from the course.

“A student who knowingly represents work of others as his/her own, uses or obtains unauthorized assistance in the execution of any academic work, or gives fraudulent assistance to another student is guilty of cheating. Violators will be penalized.”

B- Absences from exams and handing in assignments on time:

-Failure in attending a course exam will result in zero mark unless the student provides an excuse acceptable to the Dean who approves a re-sit exam. Failed courses will normally be assessed in the scheduled semester. It is your responsibility to attend the exam at the correct time and place.

-Exam Attendance/Punctuality:

In the event that a student is up to ten minutes late, he/she will be permitted to attend/sit the exam. However, there will not be any extra time allowances made in favor of this student.

In the event that a student is more than 10 minutes late, he/she will not be permitted to attend/sit the exam.

-Re-sit Exams:

The student will not be allowed to re-sit an exam unless he/she finishes the institute with written evidence as follows:

Sickness by providing a medical report stamped by the Ministry of Health.

Death of a member of his/her family.

Accidents (e.g. car accident).

Natural causes such as heavy storms.

-Assignments & Projects:

Assignments and projects should be handed over to the instructor on the due date. Zero mark will follow late submission of an assignment unless the student has an acceptable reason approved by the instructor.

-Attendance at exams is required for all students.

-Unexcused absence will be reported as a failure (F).

-Make-up exams only will be offered with acceptable excuse.

C- Health and safety procedures:

D- Honesty policy regarding cheating, plagiarism, misbehavior:

- Definition of cheating:

Cheating is an attempt to gain marks dishonestly and includes:

-Copying from another student's work.

-Using materials not authorized by the institute.

-Collaborating with another student during a test, without permission.

-Knowingly using, buying, selling, or stealing the contents of a test.

- Penalty of Cheating:

The minimum penalty for cheating is an automatic zero for the test or assignment leading to a possible “F” for the subject. The student will be expelled from the examination room so that he/she doesn’t disturb other students. The exam invigilator will produce a report on the case. The report will be kept in the student file. A second offense will result in the immediate suspension of the student for the remainder of the current semester. A copy of the decision will be kept in the student file, while another one will be passed to the Dean. Procedures that taken against those individuals who commit the cheating and plagiarism, forgery and breach of classroom system, or constitute obstacle the normal functioning of the process of learning and teaching, will be transferred to commissions of inquiry and the denial of the material in some cases.

E- Grading policy:

A grade of (D) is the minimum passing grade for this course. Grades of less than D are not acceptable for credit towards graduation in this course.

-Mid-term exam 30%

-Assignments and Quizzes 20%

-Final Exam 50

F- Available university services that support achievement in the course:

24. Required equipment:

Data show and laboratory for training

25. References:

A- Required book (s), assigned reading and audio-visuals:

-Front Office Operations, Boston business school , Singapore.

- <http://ar.scribd.com/doc/26246269/DHM-122-Front-Office-Operations-2009#scribd>

B- Recommended books, materials, and media:

26. Additional information:

Name of Course Coordinator: Mohammad Aldweik Signature: ----- Date: -----

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Head of Department Dr.Omer Ananza Signature: -----

Head of curriculum committee/Faculty: ----- Signature: -----

Dean: Dr.Ziad Al Rawadieh -Signature: -----

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