

CAS Academic Affairs Report

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The Charge

GIVE STUDENTS SKILLS TO FACILITATE SUCCESS IN BUSINESS



Question:

WHAT ARE THESE SKILLS?

Business-relevant Skills & Attributes

- Critical thinking
- Analytical
- Quantitative reasoning
- Communication
- Leadership
- Creativity
- Innovation

Business-relevant Skills & Attributes in a Liberal Arts context

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Intellectual

Experiential

Business-relevant Skills & Attributes in a Liberal Arts context

Critical thinking

Curricular

- Analytical
- Quantitative reasoning
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- Leadership

Co-curricular

- Creativity
- Innovation



Question

HOW TO MORE EFFECTIVELY IMPART THESE SKILLS IN THE CONTEXT OF LIBERAL ARTS AND L&C?

Important Considerations

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- Academic rigor
- Multidisciplinary ∴ by reflecting breadth of academic programs
- Congruent with liberal arts mission and focus
- Prepare for leadership and civic engagement
- Provide opportunity to translate innovation into practice



Enhanced Business Skills in the Liberal Arts Context

ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Certificate in Entrepreneurship

(short- term implementation ≤ 3 years)

- Intellectual
- Experiential



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- Intellectual
 - Basic Business Principles (Law school)
 - Introduction to Entrepreneurship (currently Winterim)
 - Technologies of the Future (piloted this semester)
 - Public Discourse (CAS course)
- Experiential
 - Workshops: e.g., Grant & Report Writing (offered by 3CE)
 - Innovation, Creativity and Leadership
 - Mini grants
 - Internships



Faculty-focused Transitional Activities



- Workshop
 - understanding link between the liberal arts and entrepreneurship
- Internship
 - With an entrepreneur
- Stipend
 - For course development

Minor in Entrepreneurship

(mid-term implementation: ≤ 6 years)

- Intellectual (beyond courses required for certificate)
 - Discipline-specific courses (2)
 - Launching a Venture
 - Independent Study or Practicum
- Experiential
 - Internship
 - Fellowship
 - Graduating seniors only
 - \$\$ to launch
 - Support network



Immediate Plans: Piloting and Buy-in



- Pilots
 - Intellectual
 - Managing Consumer Decisions (available to ALL students ECON198; Fall 2012)
 - Experiential
 - Internship matching student with alumnus entrepreneur ("PioKickStart"; available to a Winterim student; summer 2012)
- Buy-in
 - Faculty conversations (essential)

Needs

(for short- and mid-term activities)



- Entrepreneur Evangelist (faculty)
- Experiential Learning Coordinator
- Administrative support
- Faculty for additional sections
 (2 FTE)

Networks

- Entrepreneurs
- Partners

Funds

- Creativity mini grants
- Internships (students and faculty)
- Workshop facilitators
- Speakers
- Course development
- Fellowships



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• Funds \$282K annual

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\$709K annual; \$14,180K endowed



Potential Majors

(Long-term Possibilities)

- Entrepreneurship
- Management of Science

