Modern business organizations require huge investments of financial & human resources and act in a highly competitive turbulent environment. They cannot survive unless they have well chosen, sophisticated strategies; these strategies are quite complex, and must be determined for the organization as a whole, for every strategic business unit, and at the functional levels; this requires sophisticated planning activities and managements with the skills to undertake the analyses needed, develop the needed strategies, manage them, and change them when there is a need for change. It also requires the ability to change the structure, culture, and the various functions as the changing strategies require, and ensure that the strategies become the primary determinant of all major aspects of the organization structure & functioning.

This course focuses on this important managerial skill & function.

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

The course focuses on the managerial function of developing & implementing strategies; it aims at providing the student with the knowledge & tools of analyzing & selecting a strategy and implementing it as well as changing it when needed, while ensuring that it fits the overall design & functions of the organization.

**GOALS:**

The course should help you achieve the following:

1. Know the basic theoretical & practical scientific knowledge available about strategy & strategic management & the tools available to develop & implement a strategy.

2. Develop the skills to analyze specific cases and suggest the strategic solutions suitable for them.

**OBJECTIVES:**

At the end of the course, the student should have achieved the following:

1. Know the important characteristics of the emerging global economy and their potential impact on business activities in any location and have an understanding of the present and future environments in which corporations function.

2. Have good knowledge of the basic concepts, research, and theories of strategic management and how they are used and recognize the impact of strategy on the success of an organization, and recognize the role of top management in strategic management.

3. Be familiar with the major tools used in strategy development & how & when they are used, and undertake a comprehensive strategic audit for a particular organization and propose an appropriate strategy.

4. Identify the posture of strategic management of a particular company and propose how it can be improved.

5. Have the skill to analyze the case of a particular organization & propose a suitable strategy, as well as its impact on the various functions of an organization, and prove an ability to work in a group on a project and be a productive team member through the preparation of an acceptable academic paper & orally communicate its contents.

6. Show an ability to bridge the gap between theory and practice by developing an understanding of when and how to apply concepts, and techniques learned in other disciplines such as marketing, accounting, management, and others and have an indepth knowledge of the strategy formulation process.

7. Suggest how the tools of strategic management can be used in small businesses, know the major contributors to strategic management and the tools they proposed.
8. Have an appreciation for the importance of Corporate Governance and the new trends in Governance, and Identify current trends in Strategic Management at the Global level & suggest how our countries can benefit from them.

9. Suggest the Organizational changes that need to be carried out as strategies change & know the new types of organizations that are developing, and realize the importance of leadership in strategy implementation and the different leadership styles appropriate for different strategy changes.

10. Undertake a portfolio analysis for a particular business and suggest the suitable strategies, and have an indepth knowledge of the importance of functional strategies in strategy formulation.

11. Prove an ability to develop a system to follow up and control strategy formulation.

12. Appreciate the reasons why ethics & social responsibility have become important in strategic management and identify what international companies are doing in this area, and describe how Globalization is impacting on businesses in third world companies and their need for strategic management.

**GRADING**

Mid-term exam 30%
Presentation + Participation (all chapters) 20%
Paper (Scientific additional) 10%
Final Exam 40%
Total: 100%

**READINGS:**

**Required:**

**Additional (on the reserve shelf in the library)**

**مصادر عربية**


**Important Academic Journals (available in the EBESCO database)**

1. Strategic Management Journal
2. Academy of Management Review
3. Academy of Management Journal
5. Journal of Management Issues
7. Harvard Business Review
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