

Course Code: INDC-1877

Short Title: Introduction to Facilitation

Long Title: Introduction to Facilitation

Prerequisites: None

Co-requisites: None

School: School of Health, Community and Social Justice

Division/Academy/Centre: Centre for Leadership

Previous Code & Title: None

Course First Offered: November, 2015

Credits: .5

Course Description

The ability to facilitate skillfully is key to successful outcomes in the workplace. In this course, learners will explore the facilitator's role in effective group functioning and communication; learners will examine techniques to prepare for sessions and practice basic facilitation skills. Learners will identify challenges to facilitation and develop strategies to address difficult situations. They will have the opportunity to explore the application of these skills to different contexts including meetings, feedback and presentations.

Course Goals

Learners will leave this session with the essential facilitation skills to develop and deliver effective sessions.

Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this course, the learner will be able to:

- 1. Identify how facilitation can differ depending on the situation or context
- 2. Use a model to prepare for the facilitation process
- 3. Explore the verbal and non-verbal communication and leadership skills required to be a good facilitator
- 4. Discuss strategies to address specific challenges to facilitation
- 5. Build a 'facilitator's toolbox' of skills, activities and approaches that can be adapted to different settings

Course Topics/Content

- The Definition and Role of a Facilitative Leader
- Preparing to Facilitate
- Effective Ways to Begin and End a Session
- The Facilitation Process
- Overcoming Challenges to Facilitation
- Building A Facilitator's Toolbox



Text & Resource Materials

INDC-1877 course manual

Equivalent JIBC Courses

None

Instructional Method(s)* (select all that apply)	Total Hours	Instructional Factor	Total Factored Hours
☑Direct Instruction (lecture, seminar, role plays, independent study, etc.)	7	1	7
□Supervised Practice (includes simulations & labs)		.5	
☐ Practice Education, Field Placement, Internship or Co-op		.33	
Totals	7		7

^{*}Refer to http://www.jibc.ca/sites/default/files/governance/policies/pdf/Procedure Credit-Value.pdf

Course Evaluation

The evaluation criteria used for this course are represented below. Specific course evaluation information will be provided by the instructor at the start of the course.

Criterion		% of Final Grade (may be represented as a range)
Course work (activities, assignments, essays, reports, etc.)		60%
Quizzes and exams		
Simulations/Labs		
Attendance/Participation (in class or online)		40%
Practice Education/Internships		
	Total	100%
Comments on Evaluation	•	

Course Grading Scheme*

□JIBC1 (A to F) □JIBC2 (MAS/NMA) □JIBC3(CM/IN) □JIBC4 (P/F)

(* http://www.jibc.ca/policy/3304 Grading policy)

Other Course Guidelines, Procedures and Comments

View official versions of related JIBC academic regulations and student policies in the JIBC Calendar on the following pages of the JIBC website:



Academic Regulations:

http://www.jibc.ca/programs-courses/jibc-calendar/academic-regulations
Student Academic Integrity Policy
Academic Progression Policy
Admissions Policy
Academic Appeals Policy
Evaluation Policy

Student Policies:

http://www.jibc.ca/about-jibc/governance/policies

Access Policy
Harassment Policy – Students
Student Records Policy
Student Code of Conduct Policy

JIBC Core Competencies

Grading Policy

The JIBC promotes the development of core and specialized competencies in its programs. Graduates of our programs will demonstrate high levels of competence in the following areas:

- Critical thinking: Identify and examine issues and ideas; analyze and evaluate options in a variety of fields with differing assumptions, contents and methods.
- Communication, Oral and written: Demonstrate effective communication skills by selecting the appropriate style, language and form of communication suitable for different audiences and mediums.
- ☑ Leadership: Inspire individuals and teams to reach their potential by embracing innovation through strategic thinking and shared responsibility.
- ☐ **Independent learning**: Show initiative by acting independently in choosing effective, efficient and appropriate applied learning, research and problem solving strategies.
- ☑ Globally minded: Self-aware of own identity and culture, recognize the interconnectedness of world events and issues; interact respectfully and authentically across cultures; value multiple perspectives; utilize curiosity to learn with and from others.

- ☐ **Problem solving:** State problems clearly; effectively and efficiently evaluate alternative solutions; choose solutions that maximize positive and minimize negative outcomes.
- ✓ Interpersonal relations: Know and manage ourselves; recognize and acknowledge the needs and emotions of others including those with diverse cultures, backgrounds and capabilities.
- ✓ Inter-professional teamwork: Understand and work productively within and between groups, respect others' perspectives and provide constructive feedback with special attention to inter-professional relationships.
- ☐ Information literacy: Recognize and analyze the extent and nature of an information need; efficiently locate and retrieve information; evaluate it and its sources critically, and use information effectively and ethically.