

Westminster College
BBA PRJ 4.4-01 External Analysis
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Project Description and Context

Student learners must draw on their analyses of an industry and a company to identify possible opportunities and threats to the company and develop recommendations for strategic improvement.

Competency

- *Interpret the external environment of a firm and/or industry and identify threats and/or opportunities for strategic improvement.*
- *Select strategies for an organization that address external threats and/or opportunities that support the vision and mission.*

Goals of this Project

- *Identify and describe two organizational opportunities based on your external analysis.*
- *Identify and describe two organizational threats based on your external analysis.*
- *Describe the methodology that you utilized to conduct your external analysis. As part of your description, discuss its advantages as compared to other methods of external analysis.*
- *Create an action plan that specifically addresses the organizational opportunities and reduces the potential threats.*

Required Readings: No textbook is required for this course. All readings can be accessed through the canvas course via links provided in assignment descriptions.

Technology: Student must have regular access to internet to receive communications from the instructor, download documents, upload assignments and conduct online research. Students

must have access to document creation and editing software such as google docs. Canvas is the official course delivery information for all course content including email. If you do not regularly check canvas email regularly then you must forward canvas email to your preferred email account. This can be done through account settings.

Prerequisites: None

Modality: This is an asynchronous, self-paced course where learning occurs virtually online and through prepared resources, without real-time teacher-led interaction. Students are expected to reach out to instructor when help or clarification is needed. All assignments are due by the end of the semester time frame.

Grading: The project coach will provide an evaluation of your project deliverables and determine mastery of the competency-based deliverable, on the associated assessment rubric. The project coach will also provide direct feedback of your deliverable if the project submission does not meet all the learning outcomes. If the project submission demonstrates mastery of the associated competency, the project coach will also provide value-added feedback and provide the learner an opportunity to resubmit the project deliverable for an overall project evaluation of exceeds. To be able to resubmit students must submit assignments 3 weeks before the end of the semester to give ample time for feedback. Resubmissions of projects that demonstrate mastery must be resubmitted within the current semester timeframe.

The grading scheme for the course is as follows and is strictly adhered to. A B- (80%) is required for credit.

A 93 - 100%	A- 90 - 92%		
B+ 87 - 89%	B 83 - 86%	B- 80 - 82%	
C+ 77 - 79%	C 73 - 77%	C- 70 - 72%	
D+ 67 - 69%	D 63 - 66%	D- 60 - 62%	Fail <60%

Canvas:

Canvas will be the official method of information delivery and email for this course.

Academic Dishonesty:

In the case of academic dishonesty, zero points will be awarded for the work. Students are allowed to collaborate on both homework and laboratory assignments but copying of another's work is strictly prohibited. This includes the copying of another's work with the addition of minor modifications. All cases of academic dishonesty will be reported to the appropriate administrative personnel.

Pronouns, Correct Names, and Inclusion:

It is your right to be identified by your correct name and pronouns. I support people of all gender expressions and gender identities and welcome students to use whichever pronouns or names that best reflect who they are. In this spirit, I expect all students to also use the correct pronouns and names of classmates. Please inform me if my documentation reflects a name different than what you use and if you have any questions or concerns please contact me after class, by email, or during office hours.

Your rights under federal laws:

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the policy. If you want to make a report of prohibited conduct, you may contact Westminster's Title IX Coordinator, Kat Thomas, or report an incident online. Kat can be reached at kthomas@westminstercollege.edu, 801-832-2262, or in Malouf 107. You can also contact Deputy Coordinator Rodney Glore at rglore@westminstercollege.edu or 801-832-2025 or in Giovale 111. Please note that to the extent permitted by law, the College aims to protect the privacy of all parties involved in the investigation and resolution of reported violations of the policy. However, the College has a duty to look into and take actions in response to reports and cannot guarantee confidentiality or that an investigation will not be pursued. The Counseling Center is a confidential resource, and by law the counselors who work there cannot reveal confidential information to any third party without express permission unless there is an imminent threat of harm to self or others. As an instructor I am a responsible employee and am required to report any information I obtain regarding conduct that may violate the policy to the Title IX Coordinator so that students can receive supportive measures and referrals to resources, they are aware of their options, and the safety of the campus community can be ensured. If you begin to disclose an incident of prohibited conduct, I may interrupt you because I want to make sure that you have had the opportunity to discuss the incident with confidential resources on and off campus first. If you need supportive measures inside or outside the classroom because of an incident of prohibited conduct, please reach out to the Title IX Coordinator for assistance.

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This syllabus is subject to change. Students will be notified of any change.