

# **Syllabus**

# **HOS 225 Meeting Planning and Conference Management**

### **General Information**

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**Business** 

**Course Prefix** 

HOS

**Course Number** 

225

**Course Title** 

Meeting Planning and Conference Management

#### Course Information

**Credit Hours** 

3

**Lecture Contact Hours** 

3

**Lab Contact Hours** 

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**Other Contact Hours** 

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**Catalog Description** 

This course discusses the specialized field of meeting and conference management and its impact on the hotel industry. Each student will consider the component parts of a successful meeting and analyze these parts from both a meeting planner standpoint and a hotel management team standpoint. Areas of study will include: site selection and negotiations, program development, banquet food service, function room set-up, conference support services and meeting evaluation.

#### **Key Assessment**

This course does not contain a Key Assessment for any programs

**Prerequisites** 

None

Co-requisites

None

**Grading Scheme** 

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## First Year Experience/Capstone Designation

This course DOES NOT satisfy the outcomes applicable for status as a FYE or Capstone.

### **SUNY General Education**

This course is designated as satisfying a requirement in the following SUNY Gen Ed category
None

## **FLCC Values**

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Interconnectedness

## **Course Learning Outcomes**

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- 1. Appraise meeting rooms with regard to suitability and functionality
- 2. Synthesize a complete meeting plan
- 3. Analyze the contractual obligations inherent in meeting contracts and banquet event orders
- 4. Illustrate recreational and team-building activities offered at conference centers

# **Program Affiliation**

#### This course is required as a core program course in the following program

AAS Hospitality and Tourism Management - Hotel and Resort Management

# **Outline of Topics Covered**

- 1 The conference center concept, types and styles of meetings, developmental steps of a meeting plan, premeeting meetings, site selection criteria
- 2 Departmental responsibilities while meetings are in house, including conference services and the conference desk,
- 3 Meeting sales and the RFP process, complete meeting package rates, the relationship between sales and meeting managers
- 4 Meeting room set-ups, meeting room requirements and design
- 5 Banquet Event orders, private dining, banquet menus, banquet food service options including specialty and themed functions, coffee breaks, hospitalities, private dining and exclusives
- 6 VIP treatment and group gifts, transportation arrangements, correspondence
- 7 The meeting resume, booking sheets, rooming lists
- 8 Audio-visual support, staging and the latest in meeting technology, AV equipment
- 9 Meeting room management and room scheduling, meeting room equipment, effective package handling
- 10 Specialized meeting services, critical path approach
- 11 Contracts, contractual and legal obligations, commitment and assessment, catering contracts
- 12 Use of recreation facilities, corporate olympics, use of sports facilities, teambuilding exercises, how to program participant leisure time, spousal activities
- 13 Non-traditional meeting settings, meeting related revenue streams, off site functions
- 14 Utilizing outside vendors, entertainment, florists, bakers, security, etc.
- 15 Meeting evaluation, debriefing, the unstable, ever-changing nature of meetings

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