What is MGMT610?

MGMT610: Foundations of Teamwork and Leadership is the first class taken by every Wharton MBA student. This course focuses on developing students’ knowledge and skill set for teamwork and leadership. The course is meant to be an intense immersion experience that draws strongly on the pedagogy of the Wharton Teamwork and Leadership Simulation, a team-based, highly interactive simulation that was custom-designed specifically to allow students to experience the core concepts they will learn in this class. In this simulation, learning teams will play the role of a senior management team of an electric car company. In doing so, they will have the chance to actually experience the skills of teamwork and leadership through their shared effort to run a simulated company.

In addition, the course will include debriefings, lectures, readings, class discussion and personal and group performance feedback. This course reflects the realities that informal leadership occurs in teams on an ongoing basis, that being a good team player is a part of leadership, and that many of one’s early experiences with leadership will occur while working in teams.

Will MGMT610 be taught in-person or virtually? Will any part of MGMT610 be pre-recorded?

This year, MGMT610 will be taught virtually. The collaborative simulation rounds, lectures by Wharton faculty, and feedback sessions that comprise MGMT610 will be completed and delivered synchronously. No part of MGMT610 will be pre-recorded.

Is there any significant change in course content compared to prior years?

No.

What are the dates of MGMT610 and its final paper?

MGMT610 will begin on August 19th. Class will meet every other weekday (August 19th, 21st, 24th, 26th, and the 28th.) The final paper will allow you to use course concepts, readings, lectures, discussions, and simulation experiences and integrate and apply them to analyze a current or past work challenge you are facing or have faced. The paper should not exceed 1,000 words. You will receive more details after class on Friday, August 28th, and the paper will need to be completed and submitted on Canvas by 11:59 pm on Monday, August 31st.

What will be happening on days when MGMT610 is not taking place?

There will be select course experiences on the days between the formal course and simulation sessions, as well as MBA Program sponsored co-curricular programming including advising and community building experiences.

I will be taking MGMT outside of the Eastern Time zone. How will MGMT610 accommodate my schedule?
The MBA Program Office will build your Learning Teams and MGMT610 schedule in accordance with the time zone in which you’ll be taking MGMT610.

**Will fall semester classes follow the same delivery format as MGMT610?**

MGMT610 is not part of the fall semester and its delivery format has no effect on that of the fall semester.

**If my learning team is all located in the same geographic area, will we be able to meet in-person to work on MGMT610?**

Your ability to meet in-person with your Learning Team will be governed by the course, school, and governmental policies in place during MGMT610.