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 in person. 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.

What are the dates of MGMT610 and its final exam?

MGMT610 will begin on August 19th and continue through August 25th, 2021. The exam will take place on August 26th, 2021.

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.

Is attendance required for MGMT 610?

This is a team-based course; your own learning, and that of your classmates, is dependent on your attendance, including class time and simulation. Given the intense and concentrated nature of this class, you must attend all class sessions and simulation sessions and cannot switch simulation or class times. If you miss 1 day of the class, you must retake the course next year. The only exception is a documented grave personal emergency that conforms to university exam policy (See the MBA Academics Guide). If you believe you have a situation that qualifies, you must contact the MBA program office, who will determine whether the event conforms to this policy. If you have to miss 2 days of class, you must retake the course next year regardless of the reason. There will be no exceptions.