Debriefing: Honors Option Completion Conference

Course: ACC201  Semester: fall 2009  Honors Faculty Advisor: Gerald Mellnick  Schoolcraft Scholar: Amanda Rhode

Instructions: This completed form should include both Advisor’s and Scholar’s feedback.
Advisor - page 1
Scholar - page 2
After the honors option project is completed, the Honors Faculty Advisor and the Schoolcraft Scholar should meet to evaluate the honors option experience. Please use the conference as an opportunity to reflect on the skills learned in your collaboration. (Click on the gray boxes; they will expand as you type.)

How do you rate the project’s success?
Advisor: [ ] exceeded expectations  [ ] met expectations  [ ] less than successful
Comment: Amanda’s project focused on the topic of business ethics. She provided an analysis of key sections of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and completed a series of case studies with a focus on accounting fraud. She handled this project in a professional manner and produced a very organized work product.

How many conferences did the advisor schedule with the student?
[ ] 1  [ ] 2  [ ] 3  [ ] More than 3
Comment: Amanda and I met four times

What aspect of the project did you enjoy the most? Why?
Advisor comment: the project gave Amanda a high level of insight into an important topic which will benefit her in her chosen career field.

Looking back, what is one thing you would have done differently? Why?
Advisor comment: The structure of this project enabled Amanda to analyze a very impactful law and relate its content to ethical lapses, which contributed to its creation. Publicly traded companies are spending millions to comply with this law and its effects will be far reaching for decades to come. I would not change any of its elements.

Advisor, check off all the skill areas enhanced by this project in any way:
[ ] Communication  [ ] Technology  [ ] Personal Development
[ ] Systems Thinking  [ ] Problem Solving  [ ] Collaboration
(understanding social systems)

Please comment on the most valuable skill you gained by completing this honors option project:
Advisor comment: Amanda gained an important perspective on the reality of ethical issues in the business world and learned about one of the most important laws created to address corporate ethical compliance.

Additional comments or suggestions: I was very happy with the outcome of this project and the knowledge that Amanda gained I believe that it is something that she will remember and able to drawn upon in the future.

Gerald Mellnick  YOU MUST HAVE THE PROFESSOR’S SIGNATURE  12/10/2009

Print name  Signature  Date
Schoolcraft Scholar:
Amanda Rhode

**How do you rate the project’s success?**

Scholar: [ ] exceeded expectations  [ ] met expectations  [ ] less than successful

Comment: I feel that I put an abundant amount of effort into this project providing sufficient research on the topics provided. I approached the project with enthusiasm and an eagerness to gain knowledge on the topic.

**How many hours did it take the student to complete the honors option project?**

[ ] 6-10  [ ] 9-15  [ ] 12-20  [ ] more than 20

Comment:

**What aspect of the project did you enjoy the most? Why?**

Scholar comment: I enjoyed focusing on the business ethics concepts which will relate to my future career. It was interesting to research case studies that have had ethics problems and how they affected the company and the stakeholders. It was also interesting to see the consequences of Sarbanes-Oxley Act 2002 enforces on those companies that are guilty of accounting fraud.

**Looking back, what is one thing you would have done differently? Why?**

Scholar comment: I feel that I gained a lot of knowledge from the research on this project and I do not believe I would do anything different, unless there were options to make this project more hands on.

**Please comment on the most valuable skill you gained by completing this honors option project:**

Scholar comment: The most valuable skill I gained involved personal development. I feel that I definitely gained knowledge that I will take with me as I continue towards my career goals.

**Additional comments or suggestions:**

Amanda Rhode  12/10/2009

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