Course Syllabus and Requirements

Required Text:

Course Grading:
45% of your course grade will be determined by your performance on the 3 Quizzes (15 points each). The other 55% will be earned as a function of your individual and team reports and individual attendance/class participation/performance (50 points).

Attendance/Class Participation:
Because this is a hybrid involvement learning course, lack of participation (including absence) deprives other students (especially those on your team) of your potential contributions. Points toward your final course grade will be awarded for each class period and outside meeting that you attend/participate with your group and for which you are prepared (1/2 the points if you are late or have to leave before the end of the Team meeting). The remaining portion of your grade will be generated by your active involvement in our sessions and your Team's presentations (especially the ones scheduled for 4/12 & 19).

Optional Term Paper:
A typed paper of approximately 5-15 pages will be due in your drop box by 4/7. The assignment will be to apply course concepts to the interactions of your team. Papers will be graded upon the ability to make extensive application of theories and concepts (i.e., to show how course concepts apply) to your group's interactions. Written instructions and guidance for writing the paper and keeping a journal are contained on our sakai site and will be further discussed in class. Keeping a course journal will greatly enhance your writing the paper. Papers will not be accepted after 4/7.

Exams:
Because of class size, the quizzes will each consist of approximately 50 multiple choice questions drawn primarily from the textbook and my lectures/our discussions.

Bonus Points:
Bonus points toward the exams will be awarded as a result of your and your Team's activities and will be further described in class. There will be three types of bonus point assignments: Threaded Discussion Questions, Application Assignments, and individual/group opportunities. Threaded Discussion Questions will be posted on sakai following specific lectures. To get full credit for a TD Question you must answer the question posted for the week and reply to the comments of two other classmates before the due date. The TDs
are required. The second type of bonus point activity is the Application Assignment. Application Assignments are questions that are meant to help you further apply course material to your group experience. To get full credit you must respond to the questions in paragraph form and directly relate the questions to your group/prior experience. TDs and Application Assignments will be due one week after they are assigned. The third type of bonus point assignment is individual/group opportunities. These will be presented and explained in class.

Note: While it is encouraged to include examples from outside of class for your application assignment, you MUST include examples from your class group work.

Additional Note:
Assignments are to be completed prior to coming to the sessions for which they are listed. Feel free to read ahead in the text.

For weekly assignments see our 373 Sec. 2 sakai site.