**SAULT COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY**

**SAULT STE. MARIE, ONTARIO**

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**COURSE OUTLINE**

**COURSE TITLE:** **OFFICE SIMULATION**

**CODE NO.:** **OEL858**

**PROGRAM:** **OFFICE ASSISTANT CERTIFICATE**

**SEMESTER:** Fall 2013

**TOTAL CREDITS:** 4.0

**HOURS/WEEKS:** 60 hours / 14 weeks

**PREREQUISITE(S):** Introductory Word Specialist, Excel Specialist, and Office Technology and Procedures.  Familiarity with Outlook, Level 1 and internet browsing is also required.

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**CHAIR DATE**

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1. **COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

This course is a capstone course of the Office Assistant Certificate program. Students will have an opportunity to integrate their word processing, spreadsheet and e-mail skills by completing a variety of office tasks. Students will prioritize work in order to complete tasks within time constraints.

1. **LEARNING OUTCOMES AND ELEMENTS OF THE PERFORMANCE:**

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will demonstrate the ability to:

1. Apply decision making and time management skills to produce accurate business documents in a timely fashion.

Potential Elements of the Performance:

* Create and edit text.
* Compose correspondence and e-mail messages.
* Prepare meeting agendas and minutes.
* Create forms, reports, charts, tables, marketing material, and newsletters.
* Manage schedules for equipment, bookings, meetings, and employees.
* Maintain customer data.
* Process customer payments.
* Manage financial documents.
* Plan travel arrangements.

1. Apply records management techniques:

Potential Elements of the Performance:

* Index, code, sort, store, and retrieve incoming and outgoing correspondence using the alphabetic classification system.
* Maintain file management systems.
* Manage electronic records.
* Create and practice backup techniques.

1. **TOPICS:**

*(Note: These topics sometimes overlap several areas of skills development and are not necessarily intended to be explored in isolated learning units or in this order.)*

1. Developing Time Management Skills.
2. Applying Document Formatting for Office Documents using Word Processing and Spreadsheet Software.
3. Applying Records Management Techniques

**Weekly Outline:**

Week 1 – Introduction and Overview

Week 2 – Double N Adventures Company Policies and Procedures

Weeks 3 and 4 – Chapter 1, Monday

Weeks 5 and 6 – Chapter 2, Tuesday

Weeks 7 and 8 – Chapter 3, Wednesday

Weeks 9 and 10 – Chapter 4, Thursday

Weeks 11 and 12 – Chapter 5, Friday

Weeks 13 and 14 – Records Management and Course Wrap-Up

1. **REQUIRED RESOURCES/TEXTS/MATERIALS:**

Double N Adventures: A Complete Office Simulation, 1st Edition. Author: Roxane L. Rowsell. Publisher: Nelson Education. Print: ISBN-10 0-17-650209-2, ISBN-13 978-0-17-650209-6. e-Book is available at [www.nelsonbrain.com](http://www.nelsonbrain.com).

Administrative Professional: Procedures and Skills, 2nd Canadian Edition *(Chapter 2: Managing and Organizing Yourself and Chapter 11: Managing Records).* Authors: Patsy Fulton-Calkins and Diane Blaney. Publisher: Nelson Education. *(Note: This is the same text required for the course, OEL140 - Office Technology and Procedures.)*

Textbooks can be purchased at: [www.textnet.ca](http://www.textnet.ca).

1. **EVALUATION PROCESS/GRADING SYSTEM:**

Discussions/Participation:  5 x 2% = 10%

Assignments:  5 x 15% = 75% *(based on Double N Adventures daily tasks)*

Assignment:  1 x 15% *(Records Management office simulation)*

TOTAL: 100%

Your registering college will determine your letter grade.

1. **SPECIAL NOTES:**

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