Human Resource Strategy Course

For

Mini MBA

By

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COURSE OBJECTIVE

The primary purpose of this course is to consider the effective management of people at work through human resource management (HRM) functions. This course examines what can or should be done to make people more productive and satisfied with their working life. The topics covered will include the importance of HRM, Strategic HRM within an integrative framework, justice as perceived by employees, The Civil Rights Act, and other Discrimination Laws, and effective selection within legal constraints. The workshop will include several group experiential exercises.

Learning Goals:

- 1. Describe the importance of managing human resources.
- 2. Show how environmental factors impact the formulation of HRM strategies.
- 3. Explain how to implement an HRM strategy effectively.
- 4. Describe the importance of fairness and legal compliance.
- 5. Detail the main labor laws in the U.S.
- 6. How to handle people's issues without violating labor regulations
- 7. Describe the roles and responsibilities of line managers with respect to various HR functions.

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