### Class Information

Benedictine University Graduate Business Programs  
**MBA 632 A – Supply Chain Management**  
Fall 2016  
October 5\(^{th}\) – December 7\(^{th}\)  
Wednesdays, 6:30 – 9:30 PM  
Classroom: Refer to MyBenU

### Course Prerequisite

MBA 630

### Instructor Information

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### Course Objectives

**As a result of this course, you will be expected to:**

- Develop systematic framework for analyzing behavior of large, complex supply chain networks
- Characterize the relationship and motivations of suppliers and distributors to assure supplies of raw materials and markets for finished goods.
- Evaluate technologies and approaches that reduce production, inventory, transportation costs, and lead time
- Integrate production and inventory control methods in multi-plant distribution strategies
- Discuss the challenges and opportunities related to globalization of supply chain management
- Develop critical strategic thinking skills necessary for effective case analysis (i.e., SWOT & recommendations)

### Class Overview & Grading

The course will consist of case analyses (& other homework), an individual project/paper, a final team project, and examinations based on direction and questions provided by the professor. Attendance and class participation are a vital part of the overall grading configuration. A variety of opportunities will be offered to support a good grade.

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### Required Text

**Title:** Designing & Managing the Supply Chain – 3\(^{rd}\) Edition  
**Author:** Simchi-Levi/Kaminski  
**Publisher:** McGraw Hill  
**ISBN:** 9780072982398 (no CD)

### Important Reminders

Students are expected to check the class Desire2Learn (D2L) site prior to the first night of class and on an ongoing basis.

Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday, there will be no class on Wednesday, November 23\(^{th}\). We will be doing the normal 10 weeks of work in 9 weeks.

### Pre-Class Assignment

Please read and be prepared to discuss Chapter 1 of the textbook, and complete the 1\(^{st}\) homework assignment attached to the syllabus. Be prepared to answer a survey about your goals and objectives for the class;

### Note

The course designed to focus the student’s interest and search for knowledge toward the growing field of supply chain management theory and business applications. The textbook may be augmented by various readings, answering questions at chapter end, and case studies depending on the skills/experience of the students; Current topics from periodicals and specific internet sites may be employed to reinforce the pragmatic developments and current issues in the discipline.