### **Course Syllabus**

Course: Special Topics in Business:

Blockchain Technology & Digital Currencies

Department: Management & MIS

Host Institution: University of Nicosia, Cyprus



Course Summary		
Course Code	Course Title	ECTS / Credit Hours
BADM-491	Special Topics in Business: Blockchain Technology & Digital Currencies	6 ECTS / 3 US Credits
Subject	Contact Hours	Prerequisites
Business/MIS	42-45	None
Department	Level of Course	Method of Delivery
Management & MIS	Lower-Division	Synchronous & Asynchronous Online

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#### **Course Contents**

- 1. Introduction to Cryptocurrencies
- 2. Become a Cryptocurrency User Wallet Protection
- 3. Exploring Bitcoin Transactions
- 4. Cryptocurrencies beyond Bitcoin
- 5. Introduction to Blockchains
- 6. Global Adoption and Regulatory Landscape
- 7. Smart Contract Fundamentals
- 8. Blockchain Applications beyond Banking and Finance I
- 9. Blockchain Applications beyond Banking and Finance II
- 10. Blockchain Applications for Banking and Finance
- 11. Traditional Crowdfunding vs ICOs vs STOs
- 12. The Future of Cryptocurrencies and Blockchain

## Teaching & Learning Method

- Lectures
- Theoretical Assignment (*Mid-term*)
- Final Exam

# **Readings and Resources**

### Required Reading

- 1. Antonopoulos, A. (2014) Mastering Bitcoin. O'Reilly Publishing.
- 2. Narayanan, A. & Goldfeder, S. (2016) Bitcoin and Cryptocurrency Technologies: A Comprehensive Introduction. Princeton University Press.
- 3. Tapscott, D. & Tapscott, A. (2016) Blockchain Revolution: How the Technology Behind Bitcoin Is Changing Money, Business and the World. Penguin Books Limited.

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