



My expectation: the three learning goals

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Identify, Define, List, Name, Explain 02

Analyze an unknown real case with the theoretical concepts of the course

03

Ability to think, with a critical mind, to justify a decision, and to be aware of ethical issues

My expectation: How I will evaluate them?

Niveau 0

Follow the instructions

FOLLOW the instructions given during the class
 (if you do not come to class, you will not know the instructions)

Niveau 1

Identify, Define, List, Name, Explain

NAME and EXPLAIN: (1) concept & theories, (2) debates, (3)
 empirical managerial problems (4)« emerging » managerial ideas

Niveau 2

Analyze an unknown real case with the theoretical concepts of the course

 MOBILIZE relevant theories (do not just repeat the class): to not reproduce managers past mistakes but do new mistake

Niveau 3

Ability to think, to have a critical mind, to justify a decision, to be aware of ethical issues

TAKE POSITION about an operational plan to implement

My expectation: How I will evaluate them?

The main Takeaway

- ➤ Understand that there is NO ONE answer (never black or white and management is evolving)
- > Be able to discuss about the boundary conditions of a decision

What does it mean "boundary conditions"?

3 Evaluations (Keep two but no second chance)

Grade 1 : A video (group work)

(2nd course : Sept 9th)

Remark: the grade will be moderated by the participation (especially at the

friendly review work)

Grade 2 : Report (group work)

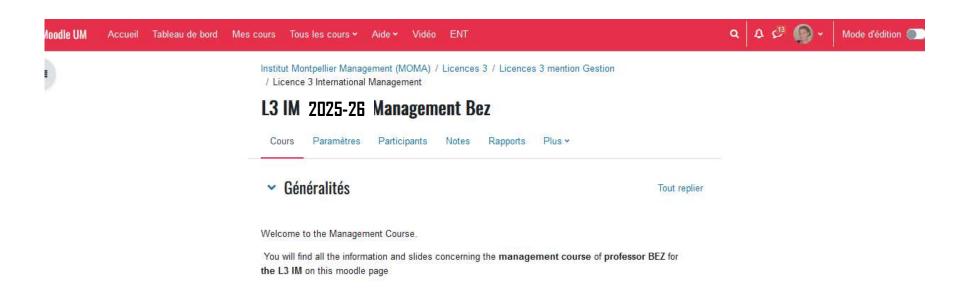
(deadline: a none graded draft: Nov 1th – final version: Nov 14th)

Grade 3 : Quiz (individual)

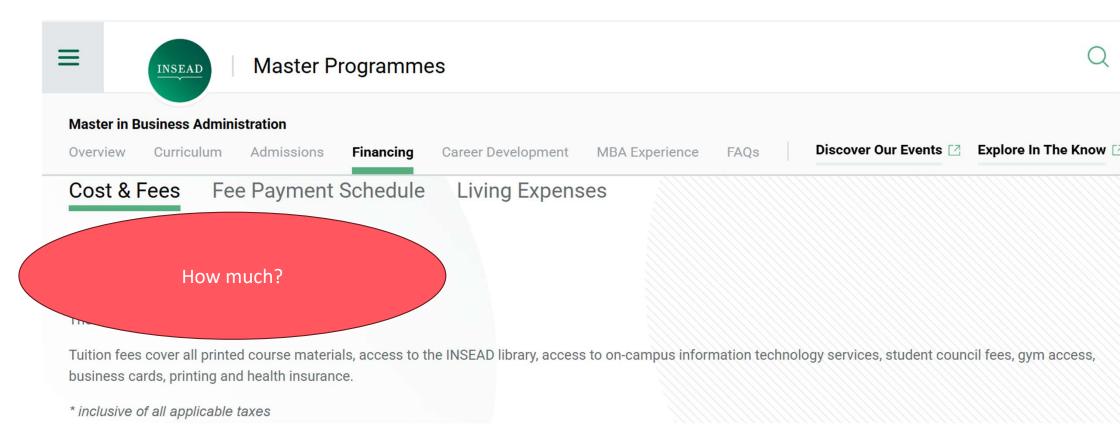
(final course : Nov 18th)

Go on moodle

 A dedicated page for the management class called L3 IM 2025-2026 – Management course BEZ



Who takes Management courses?



To assess management, what should we look for?



Understand what is Management?



"Take care of firm" (20st century):

- One of the first definition:
 Henri Fayol in his book "Industrial and General Administration"
 (1916):
 - To manage is to forecast and to (1) plan, to (2) organize, to (3) command, to (4) co-ordinate and to (5) control."
 - > Later transformed into the POLC (or PLOC) framework





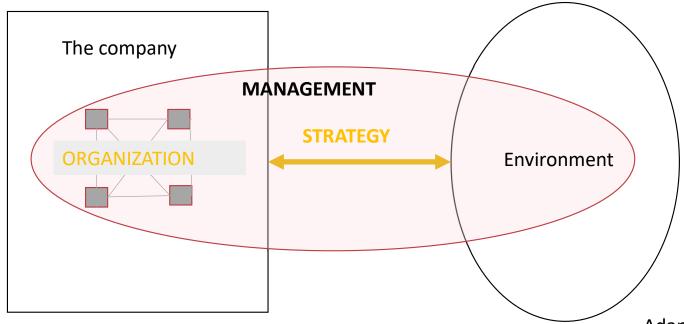
- Since the definition has evolved:
 - responsible for getting activities completed efficiently
 - with and through other people and setting and achieving the firm's goals
 - through the execution of four basic management functions: planning, organizing, leading, and controlling
 - > These sets of processes utilize human, financial, and material resources

Planning	Organizing	Leading (command and coordinate)	Controlling
Vision & Mission Strategizing Goals & Objectives	Organization Design Culture Social Networks	Leadership Decision Making Communications Groups/Teams Motivation	Systems/Processes Strategic Human Resources

P-O-L-C framework



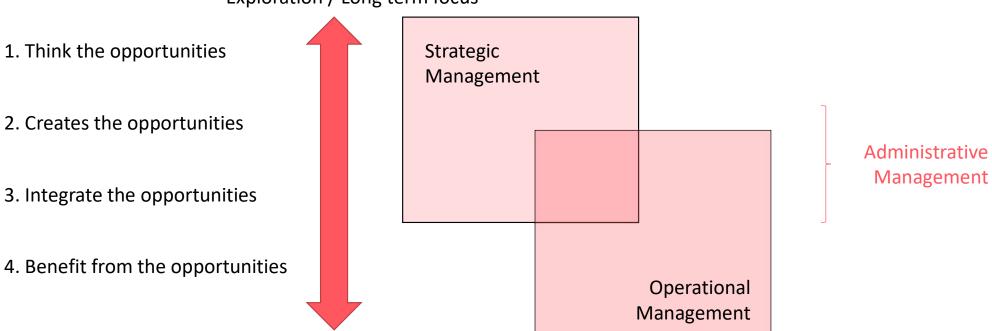
Let's go further



Adapted from Helfer et al. 2008



Exploration / Long term focus



Exploitation / Short term focus

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- But concreatly how to manage? Is there a general management theory?
- At the origin with Fayol: 14 principles that are the cornerstone of a general management theory
- Let's look at each principle and deduce what we should observe in the organization is this principle was true.



1. <u>Division of work</u> - specialization promotes efficiency of the workforce and increases productivity. In addition, the specialization of the workforce increases their accuracy and speed.



2. <u>Authority and Responsibility</u> According to Henri Fayol, the accompanying **power or authority** gives the management the right to give orders to the subordinates.

3. <u>Discipline</u> - This principle is **about obedience**. It is often a part of the core values of a mission and vision in the form of good conduct and respectful interactions.



- 4. Unity of command Every employee should **receive orders** from **only one superior** or on behalf of the superior.
- <u>5. Unity of direction Each group of organisational activities that have the same objective should be directed by one manager using **one plan for achievement of one common goal.**</u>



6. <u>Subordination of Individual Interest to General Interest</u> - The interests of any one employee or group of employees should not take precedence over **the interests of the organisation as a whole**.



7. Remuneration - All Workers must be paid **a fair wage** for their services. The wages paid must be as per a certain standard of living to the employee at the same time it is within the paying capacity of the company.



- 8. Centralization and Decentralization This refers to the degree to which subordinates are involved in decision making. Need a balance between both
- 9. Scalar chain The line of authority from top management to the lowest ranks represents the scalar chain. Communications should follow this chain. However if someone needs to communicate some other person in emergency he/she might use "Gang Plank". ≤Fayol suggested the concept of 'Gang Plank' to avoid delays and allow direct communication between two subordinates at the same level.≥



10. Order - this principle is concerned with systematic arrangement of men, machine, material etc. There should be a specific place for every employee in an organization. That is 'a place for everything (people) and everything has a place'.

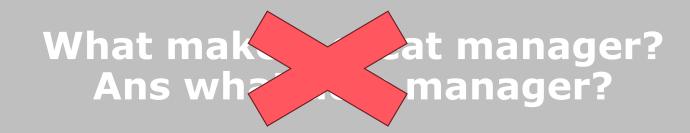


- 11, Equity All the employees in the organization must be treated equally with respect to the justice and kindliness.
- 12. Stability of tenure of personnel High **employee turnover is inefficient.** Management should provide orderly personnel planning and ensure that replacements are available to fill vacancies.
- 13, Initiative Employees who are allowed to originate and carry out plans will exert high levels of effort.
- 14. Esprit de Corps Promoting team spirit will build harmony and unity within the organization

To go further

All it takes is one black swan! (Popper, Scientific method)





THE KEY for managers or for a management course :

"how can we become effective at the pursuit of goals, or become more efficient in our use of organizational resources?"



Thinker 50

What is thinker50 list?

Thinker50 is an updated resource for identifying, ranking and sharing the leading management ideas of our age



The goal with thinker50

Not only understand
« what is Management ?»

BUT

Stretch your knowledge and challenge your ideas about management



Adam Grant

Specialist in organizational psychology, focusing on originality, motivation, non-conformity, generosity, meaningful work, and success.

RANKED THINKER

Ranked #2 in 2023.

Previously featured:

#6 (2021), #10 (2019), #8 (2017) and #25 (2015).

THINKERS50 BOOKLIST

Hidden Potential was featured on the Thinkers 50 Best New Management Booklist in 2024.

FAST FACT

His <u>TED talks</u> on languishing, original thinkers, and givers and takers have over 30 million views.

Adam Grant - Givers and Takers

What did he study? the workplace behavior of individuals and how it impacts their personal success and the performance of their organizations

Why interesting: the paradox?

- Past research explore three categories of individual factors that influence performance: hard work, talent and luck.
- GAP: we were all working in a connected worlds and none of these individual factors explore the social interaction

What did he identified?

Grant identified **three interaction styles** in the workplace:

- Givers: People who are inclined to help others without expecting anything in return. They tend to offer assistance, share knowledge, and mentor others generously.
- **Takers**: Individuals who seek to get as much as they can from others while giving little back. They prioritize self-interest and often take advantage of givers.
- Matchers: Those who maintain a balance, helping others but expecting reciprocity. They seek fairness and ensure that favors are traded evenly.



Adam Grant - Givers and Takers

What is the surprising result?

- Givers can either be the most successful or the least successful in the workplace. They're frequently least successful people in organizations—those who are exploited and burnout—but they're also the successful, outperforming both Takers and Matchers in the long run
- "Disagreeable" giving: challenge status quo, tough feedback, pointing out problem

Managerial implication?

- Boosting Productivity and Innovation: Encouraging and hiring givers can lead to a more collaborative and innovative workplace, as givers are more likely to share knowledge, mentor, and promote collective problem-solving. This can significantly improve organizational performance over time.
- Creating a Giving Culture: Organizations should foster a culture that encourages giving and collaboration. By
 creating an environment where helping others is valued and recognized, managers can enhance both
 individual and organizational performance.

Boundary condition?

- Encouraging Strategic Giving (do not give all and everything = failed givers): Leaders need to ensure that givers within their teams are not taken advantage of. They should promote strategic giving, where givers can help others without burning out or neglecting their own needs. This can involve setting boundaries or ensuring givers receive recognition and support.
- Separate them from takers / Takers as a Risk: Managers should be wary of takers within their teams.
 Although takers might show early success, they can erode trust and collaboration in the long run. They often create toxic environments, where others become less willing to help.

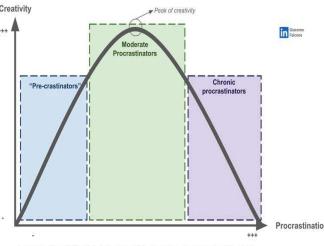
Adam Grant procrastination

What did he study? procrastination and its impact on creativity and productivity Why interesting: the paradox?

- Traditionally, procrastination is viewed as a bad habit—something that holds us back from achieving our goals and finishing tasks on time (causing stress, missed deadlines, and reduced performance)
- GAP : Could procrastination actually serve a purpose, particularly when it comes to generating new ideas or solving complex problems?

What did he identified?

- 1. Pre-crastinators: These are people who jump into tasks immediately. They prefer to complete work as soon as it's assigned, seeking the satisfaction of getting things done early. However, by rushing through, they might miss opportunities for more creative or thoughtful solutions.
- 2. Procrastinators: These individuals delay starting tasks, either intentionally or unintentionally. While excessive procrastination can lead to stress or lower-quality work, I found that moderate procrastination—a little delay before starting—can actually boost creativity. When people allow themselves time to think through a problem, rather than diving into it right away, they often come up with more innovative solutions.



Inspired by "When Putting Work Off Pays Off: The Curvilinear Relationship Between Procrastination and Creativity" (Jihae Shin and Adam M. Grae https://linculty.whanton.upenn.edu/wp-content/sploads/2020/G4/ShinGrant AAUforthcoming.pdf

Adam Grant procrastination

What is the surprising result?

Moderate procrastination can **increase creativity:** people who delay starting a task—but not to the point of last-minute panic—often come up with more original and creative ideas compared to those who start immediately.

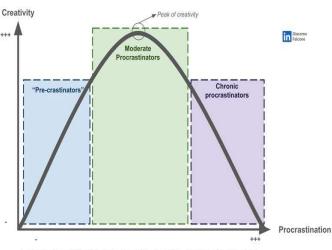
By procrastinating moderately, your mind has more time to **incubate ideas**, make connections, and approach the task with fresh insights.

Managerial implication?

- Manage deadline: Give a deadine but include time to reflect before demanding immediate results: Have a deadline with enough time for thoughtful reflection and ideation
- **Encouraging Reflective Thinking**: By encouraging reflective thinking and not rushing the process, managers can foster environments where **incubation**—that mental space where ideas are percolating—leads to breakthroughs. This is especially relevant for tasks that require innovation, strategic thinking, or solving complex problems.
- Coaching employees on the difference between productive delay and panic-induced stress that lowers quality.

Boundary condition?

- Only for tasks that require creativity or problem-solving
- Only if motivated and not for "boring task"
- Not wait for the "panic mode "



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The assignement

- What did he she study? One concept/idea
- Why interesting for a company?
- What did he/she identified ? What his/hermain result?
- Managerial implication?
- Boundary condition?

The challenge you have 15 minutes





reflect on the script use in your AI

- What AI?
- What script?