

Class Summary: FA-10 MAND 420 (2003) - Light, Mark Joseph

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**Instructor: Light, Mark Joseph**

**Survey: Final Course Evaluation - Graduate/Online**

**FA-10 Enrollment: 37 Total Respondents: 32 Response Rate: 86%**

**Overall Ratings**

	1	2	3	4	5	TOT	MEAN	SD
Overall rating of course	0	0	0	11	21	32	4.66	0.48
Overall rating of instructor	0	0	0	3	29	32	4.91	0.30

**One thing liked that should not be changed**

Dr. Light is a fantastic professor. He knows what he's talking about, how to make it engaging, and how to apply the academic into real life. I wish he taught more classes at Mandel Center. I have already applied the lessons learned about management and leadership in my professional life.

Dr. Light is a great teacher. He is one of the rare teachers I have seen in nearly three decades of experience. He can hold the attention of the class during the four hour long lectures. I have rarely seen classes wherein everyone is called upon and every student is engaged. His depth of practical knowledge in the field reflects his experience. This clearly made the class enjoyable and useful. I will take every class that he offers at WSOM.

Dr. Light is an excellent instructor, he really cares about the student, and is constantly updating his material so that it is relevant to the current work place and interesting to the students. We need more instructors who give so much of themselves. As a student you can reach out to him anytime and he will communicate with you.

Dr. Light is passionate about the subject matter and gives his best to his students. He made sure that we not only understood the readings but how to apply them. Dr. Light evaluated our papers/assignments with care and provided beneficial feedback. I hope that future students have the opportunity to take classes from him.

Dr. Light's teaching is very inspiring. He uses many materials to explain the traditional theory and that makes me understand easily. Also, he always motivates us to study harder and harder. I think he is a good professor with outstanding teaching approaches. I will recommend other students to take his class.

Everything! Great information about the organizational structure and leadership styles.

Excellent professor, really made the topics understandable through a variety of media and readings.

great professor!  
Learn a lot

He kept the the topics entertaining and practical.

He kept us engaged for 4 hours!

He used video in his presentation. He was very interactive and easy to understand.

I enjoyed the use of real life experiences to illustrate the materials. The final project of the cultural analysis was an amazing experience. The best thing about the class would have to be Dr. Light, he is extremely captivating.

I liked the content. I do not have a business/organization/management background, and this class really outlined organizational management well. Also, it helped me understand myself as a leader. The professor teaches the subject matter, which can be dense at first, in an efficient and effective manner.

I liked the real life examples he used along with the amazing video clips he included in his slides. He always found videos that related perfectly to what we were discussing in class. He was very enthusiastic and always kept me engaged.

I LOVE Dr. Light. As always, he is highly engaging, very thorough and seems genuinely invested in our learning. He takes his power point slides very seriously (they seem to be like a sport to him) More so than other professors, Dr. Light continually reinforces how "we" are the next generation of leaders. He oozes with positivity and builds our confidence in the way a good parent would. I can't say enough great things about him. You should give him a big, fat, raise!

I loved everything about the course! Each class was 4 hours long but since it was so much fun, the 4 hours flew by. Mark Light has a very entertaining teaching style; he is energetic, he used a very creative power points and showed video clips, and had us read interesting articles. This was my favorite class through out my MBA program.

I loved the course. The material was interesting and the instructor kept the class alive. There was a lot of class involvement and participation. Members of the class shared their current work experiences and this was useful as we learned about the many types of organizations in the nonprofit world. This was a four hour class and that is a long time for the students and teacher. Dr. Light did an excellent job of keeping the material interesting and keeping all of us engaged in the process. This is one of the best classes I have ever taken. Outstanding. Dr. Light is a tremendous asset to the program.

I really enjoyed Dr. Light's energy. It was a four hour class so I was afraid of that. But he kept the class engaged for the entire course. I was very personable and I could tell that he put a lot of effort into his teaching, which I don't always see. I felt like he wanted to help each one of us as individuals. I also liked the topics in the course of leadership, organizational culture and how all the assignments related the subjects to our own personal experiences.

instructor's extensive preparation, instructor's efficient use of class time, instructor's ability to connect ideas and theories, instructor's ability to engage students in a lecture setting, class time offered (every other week), instructor's flexibility & approachability

Professor Light has a lot of energy, and I appreciate the the fact that he was able to make the lectures interesting and engaging for the four hour class period. His powerpoint presentations were fantastic!

Professor Light was very engaging, passionate, knowledgeable. Helped break up monotony of lecture by using video clips to illustrate points. Very useful class.

The instructor has great energy and keeps everyone engaged. Even with somewhat dry content! Nice use of visuals and videos.

The professor was very engaging and encouraging. The repetitive nature of his lectures helped me to grasp concepts quickly and retain the information.

The professors energy - it was a long class, and at 10 the energy of the presentation, interesting slide and movie clips kept class engaged.

The use of vivid powepoints and the instructor's personal experiences made this course much more interesting.

The visual presentation kept a long evening very interesting. The interest and information was well presented and the professor really seemed to care.

This was a fantastic course. It was my first class as a Grad student and to start it off with Dr. Light was a wonderful way to begin my grad school program. I am excited to take additional classes from Dr. Light in the future. The class was informative, taught me a lot about myself as a leader and as a "future" leader. It was also education to learn about organizational structure. The readings were very interesting. I especially enjoyed Northouse and Schein's books. Mintzberg was of course challenging to read but very informative.

This was a four-hour class, so I really enjoyed how engaging and upbeat Dr. Light was every single session. The use of visuals and video clips to complement the course work kept us all interested, which was usually easy because the course content was also very interesting and could be practically applied to our work as nonprofit leaders. The books/readings were also interesting and easy to read. I know I will use what I've learned in this course in my future work.

This was a great class. Dr. Light is an expert instructor who places great value on research to inform our learnings. He is entertaining, knowledgeable and responsive. Thank so much for everything you do, Dr. Light!

This was my favorite course that I have taken at Mandel. The material was interesting and Dr. Light has a visible passion for his work and for his students. It was absolutely perfect.

Very dynamic professor. Excellent teaching ability. Probably the most beneficial material I've learned so far in my degree.

#### **One thing not liked student would like to see changed**

4 hours is too long to be paying attention, no matter how interesting the topic.

As you can tell from my comments above, I thought the class was excellent and there was not a thing that I did not like about the class.

He seemed to care more about time than really addressing students thoughts/questions in class.

I can't think of anything!

I did not like his tie and his mustache (just kidding). His sense of humor was so great that I would be laughing while I was driving recalling the class. This is clearly hazardous to other drivers on the road. Teachers are not supposed to do this.

I enjoyed every aspect of this class.

I feel like there was a slight disconnect between the course content and our final project. A lot of what we talked about covered leadership styles and theories, while we didn't spend much time on culture, which was the basis our final. It is also hard to go back and reference the powerpoint slides because they are so full of information, graphs, pictures, etc. that it's difficult to see what is there and remember it.

I thought the material was basic at times, prehaps could have benefited from more on the job skills information than some of the inital structure set up.

I was less interested in some of the content - it was OK but just not my cup of tea.

I wish we would have done more case studies to actually learn about leadership in action. I feel like we talked a lot about leadership skills and how to deal with conflict and motivation issues, but we didn't really get a chance to hash out what those theories would look like in real life situations.

I would have preferred the course to be weekly for two hours instead of bi-weekly for four hours.

Nothing

Nothing. Even the scary-sounding 4-hour time frame was completely acceptable thanks to Dr. Light.

Nothing. It was a good class.

Sometimes the 4 hour class seemed long, but I think that is typical

That it was a four hour course on a Thursday night was terrible.

The 4 hours block of time is a little rough

The books were very expensive.

The durartion of each class (4 hours) might make students too tired .

Wouldn't change a thing.