

# SOCIAL IMPACT (SOIM-SHU)

## SOIM-SHU 6 Law, Business, & Society (4 Credits)

*Typically offered occasionally*

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**Grading:** Ugrd Shanghai Graded

**Repeatable for additional credit:** No

- SB Crse Attr. NYU Shanghai: BUSF Non-Finance Elective
- SB Crse Attr. NYU Shanghai: BUSM Non-Marketing Elective
- SB Crse Attr. NYU Shanghai: IMB Business Elective
- SB Crse Attr. NYU Shanghai: Social Science Focus Political Economy

## SOIM-SHU 65 Organizational Communication and Its Social Context (4 Credits)

*Typically offered Fall and Spring*

Students learn how organizations communicate with multiple types of audiences, focusing on the interconnections between business and society. The course uses the stakeholder model of the corporation to introduce the strategic implications of communication for modern organizations. Students focus on strategic and tactical aspects of corporate communication to study and practice the ways in which organizations communicate to their varied internal and external stakeholders. Assignments develop students' abilities in speaking and writing to these varied audiences, both to inform and to persuade. The course emphasizes bridging theoretical fundamentals, and action learning is stressed, which includes applying communication strategy to the following: oral and written business assignments; presentation delivery techniques; visual communication analysis and practice; team communication. Pre-requisites: None, but priority to business majors; not open to freshmen. Fulfillment: BUSF Non-Finance elective; BUSM Non-Marketing elective; IMB Business elective.

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## SOIM-SHU 165 Advanced Organizational Communication (4 Credits)

*Typically offered occasionally*

Advanced Organizational Communication builds upon the oral and written communication skills developed in its prerequisite course, Organizational Communication & its Social Context. This advanced course provides opportunities for students to continue developing their communication skills in a variety of contexts while working and presenting to multiple audiences. In this course, students will have the opportunity to persuade real life stakeholders to take action; such activities include making a stock pitch to a financial expert, speaking to a large audience of peers / professors at an NYUSH Student-run Speaker Series, and developing a social impact plan for an actual corporate client. Presentations will vary in size and delivery method (virtual, in-person, board-room style, auditorium style, etc.). In some cases, you will work to adapt the same presentation into multiple formats. Additionally, we will incorporate role-plays, impromptu, team communication (running meetings, supportive communication, consensus building), and group discussions throughout the course. Two writing assignments will reflect content from the oral presentations in typical business document format. The course will be highly participative, real world, and interactive. The professor will do everything he can to engage real-life audience members and facilitate practical, experiential learning. Participation, taking risks, and working beyond one's comfort zone are essentials for success in this class. Prerequisite: Organizational Communication & its Social Context. Fulfillment: BUSF Non-Finance elective; BUSM Non-Marketing elective; IMB Business elective.

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**SOIM-SHU 9006 Law, Business, & Society (4 Credits)***Typically offered Fall*

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