**COURSE OVERVIEW**

This course examines the unique challenges and opportunities in operating a family business. Specifically, this course will focus on key concepts such as governance and decision-making, leadership succession, family conflict and family culture, and family and non-family career issues in relation to the family business through an interdisciplinary lens. Next generation leadership development is another key element of this course. Throughout this course, students will also have the unique opportunity to visit one or more local family business owners.

The course is designed both for students who’s families own a family business, as well as students who are going into industries that serve family businesses. The broad scope of the course will include recognition of the intersection of community, family life cycle and family business.

Please note: this course is open to both graduate business and social work students.

**INSTRUCTORS**

Andrew Keyt, MBA and MSMFT, is a clinical professor of family business in the Quinlan School of Business, president of the Family Business Network of North America (FBN-NA), and the president and founder of Keyt Consulting, a private consulting firm. Professor Keyt is also a 3rd generation family business owner.

Dr. Marcia Spira joined the faculty in 1996. She teaches courses in both the M.S.W. and PhD programs, in the methods and HBSE sequences. Dr. Spira’s research and writing focus on older adults and intergenerational families, as well as women’s health and the impact of health concerns on family relationships.

**COURSE FEE: TO BE ANNOUNCED**

Cost = Tuition + Activity Fee + Airfare

**ITINERARY**

The detailed itinerary for this trip is currently being planned.