LINCOLN UNIVERSITY

BA 304 Marketing Management Summer 2009 Tuesday/Thursday 12:30 – 3:15 p.m.

Instructor: Dr. Bill Hess

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This is an introductory graduate course in the fundamentals of marketing management - definitions, concepts, policies, and development. In addition to understanding the theories of marketing, this course will provide practical applications to the real world.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

The objectives of this course are

- to develop an understanding of the fundamentals of marketing management
- to understand marketing's role in a company
- to develop a working knowledge of the marketing components product, price, promotion, and distribution.
- to understand the impact of marketing decisions on the organization.

METHODOLOGY

Course work will include study of the textbook, discussions of current events, case history analysis, formal reports, and a major project.

Reports will be typed.

Thought process and analysis are the important components in case analysis and project assignments. Ease of reading and conciseness are important elements in such reports. Late papers will be graded down unless previous arrangements have been made with the instructor.

TEXTBOOK

Perreault and McCarthy, Essentials of Marketing Irwin, 10th Edition, 2006.

TESTING

Examination - there will be two exams - a midterm and a final.

MAJOR PROJECT

There is a major group project – the development and presentation of a marketing plan for a product or service. Each group will prepare a detailed marketing plan that consists of

- 1. a market research questionnaire.
- 2. a plan for each of the 4P's of marketing.
- 3. an ad for the product or service (radio, TV, magazine, or billboard)

The instructor will assign students to teams. The teams will be comprised of people from different countries. This is designed to enable students to learn the culture, marketing approaches of different countries as well as their learning styles.

Everyone is to participate in the development of the project plan. Everyone is to participate in the written and oral presentation of the plan. Each team will have 5 minutes for each member of the team for the oral presentation. e.g. 5 team members would have 25 minutes for their presentation. Any member not actively working with their team on the project is to be reported to the instructor. This is a group project requiring group participation.

The focus of the project is that the team has developed a new product that it believes can be successful in making money. The team is to develop a marketing plan of action. Products the team can select from are:

Caloric Strip 3 in 1 stroller Herbal Pillow

Powdered Wine Powdered Beer Helicopter Commuter Service

Teeth Cleaning Gum No Snore Pillow

You are a start-up company. You have very limited financial resources. You are developing a marketing plan to present to potential venture capitalists.

WRITTEN PROJECT FORMAT

Overview of Company

Description of Product/service

Target Market Definition – demographics/psychographics

Analysis of Macroenvironment

Company analysis – SWOT

Competitive analysis – SWOT

Market Research Questionnaire, Results, Analysis

Positioning

Promotion Plan

Distribution Plan

Pricing Plan

Pro Forma Income Statement – 3 year plan

Your project should demonstrate that the team understands and can apply the fundamentals of marketing. I will provide samples of previous projects to give you ideas for your written report.

BIBLIOGRAPHY

In addition to the text used for this course, it may help the students to expand their interest and knowledge in the subject by reading material in other publications and texts. Recommended reading includes:

The Wall Street Journal

Forbes

San Francisco Business Times

Business Week

Integrated Marketing Communications, Belch & Belch; Irwin. 2002

Services Marketing, Lovelock; Prentice Hall, Inc. 1991. Second Edition.

The Power of Logos, Haig, John Wiley & Sons; 1997

STANDARDS

The textbook does a good job of explaining the basic marketing principles and concepts as well as introducing you to the vocabulary of the business. I will devote class time to discussing these concepts and how they apply to the marketing operations of a company. We will discuss the application of marketing theory to real life situations drawn from my professional experience. I want you to share your own experiences - or if you have limited work experience, to ask questions. We will have video tapes and class exercises.

My expectation is that you will prepare yourself for each class session by studying the material assigned, that you will think about the application of what you are studying to the job of a marketing manager, and that you will discuss your thoughts during class.

Americans consider time differently than people from other countries. Americans actually think of time as a tangible asset. We say "Don't waste time." We talk about saving time.

Because of this it is considered rude and is unacceptable to be late for a business meeting. The same applies to classes. We will conduct this class with the same respect for time. It is considered rude to your classmates and instructor to be late for class.

To reflect that discipline we will observe on time arrival – at the start of a class as well as returning from breaks. Three late arrivals – for class or from a break – will reduce your final grade by .30.

GRADING

Grades will be based on the quality of reports, project, examination, and classroom participation. Attendance is important. Classroom participation is not possible if you are not in class. Participation is defined as actively adding to a discussion by offering insights or different approaches to marketing problems/solutions that demonstrate a solid working knowledge of the concepts and principles of marketing. Grades will be based on:

•	Exams	50%
•	Project assignments	10%
•	Classroom participation	15%
•	Individual assignments	5%
•	Marketing project	20%

MAKE-UP WORK

Assignments are to be on time. Late assignments will be reduced one grade. Mid-term exam, final exam, and group presentation can not be made up if missed – unless there is an emergency.

Instructor

Professor Hess has an extensive background in marketing, sales, and sales management. His experience includes Corporate Marketing Research with Monsanto Company, Market Development in starting a new division for Owens-Corning Fiberglas; Product Manager and Western Region Sales Manager for W.H. Brady Co.. As Sales Manager, Professor Hess managed sales reps in 27 western states.

As Marketing Manager for a \$50 million division of H.S. Crocker Company, Professor Hess also managed a sales force responsible for \$17 million.

In addition to teaching, Professor Hess has his own marketing/sales contracting firm. For help with your course work you can reach Professor Hess at his office 415/456-9765. E mail address is whess@lincolnuca.edu

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June

- 9 Introduction to course. Discuss plans for the course. Discussion of Marketing and marketing's role in a company.
- 11 Chapter 1 Marketing's Value to Consumers, Firms, and Society Chapter 2 Marketing Strategy Planning
- 16 Chapter 3 Focusing Marketing Strategy with Segmentation and PositioningProject: Groups determined. Product determined.
- 18 Chapter 4 Evaluating Opportunities in the Changing Marketing Environment
 Case: Valley Steel Company
- 23 Chapter 5 Final Consumers and Their Buying Behavior Chapter 6 Business and Organizational Customers and Their Buying Behavior
- Chapter 7 Improving Decisions with Marketing Information
 In class exercises

 Project assignment: Hand in Project: Target market defined demographics and psychographics
- 30 Midterm exam

July

- 2 Chapter 8 Elements of Product Planning for Goods and Services Article assignment: Hand in assignment
- 7 Chapter 9 Product Management and New Product Development Project: Market Research Questionnaire due
- 9 Chapter 10 Place and Development of Channel Systems Chapter 12 Retailers, Wholesalers, and Their Strategy Planning
- 14 Chapter 13 Promotion Introduction to Integrated Marketing Communications
 Chapter 15 Advertising and Sales Promotion

Two Ads assignment

- 16 Chapter 16 Pricing Objectives and Policies Chapter 17 Price Setting in the Business World
- 21 Project due. Project presentations.
- 23 Final Exam