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School of Business

MKTG201 Fundamentals of Marketing 3 Credit Hours 8-Weeks

Prerequisite(s): None

Please see the Lessons area in the classroom for additional course specific information

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Course Description (Catalog)

This course is a comprehensive survey of marketing activities and the function of marketing. The course will familiarize the student with the scope, terminology, and procedures of marketing. Course topics include the analysis of markets, competition, consumer behavior, and the assessment of product, price, distribution, and promotion strategies. Consumer motivation and the diffusion and adoption of new goods and services are studied. The student will complete a marketing plan of his own.

Course Scope

MKTG 201 "Fundamentals of Marketing" will provide you with a solid foundation in the basic concepts and practices of marketing. The course will cover the four primary elements of the marketing mix: product, price, place, and promotion. Emphasis will be placed on learning how successful marketers create customer satisfaction.

Course Materials

Book Title: Principles of Marketing Author(s): Tanner and Raymond Publisher: Flatworld Knowledge eISBN: 978-1-4533-4499-6

Course Objectives

- (LO 1) Define and explain the meaning of marketing ch 1
- (LO 2) Explain the fundamentals of marketing ch 1

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- (LO 3) Discuss the use of a marketing strategy to organize a marketing program ch 2
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- (LO 5) Discuss marketing and its impact on business ch 4
- (LO 6) Analyze marketing opportunities related to consumers and market segments. Ch 5
- (LO 7) Analyze product and distribution channels. Ch 7
- (LO 8) Analyze Consumer offerings ch 6
- (LO 9) Analyze marketing channels ch 8 ch 9
- (LO 10) Explore the use of advertising in marketing ch 11, 12
- (LO 11) Explain the importance of pricing and customer satisfaction in the marketing process ch 15
- (LO 12) Evaluate and discuss issues surrounding ethics related to marketing ch 14
- (LO 13) Learning the different aspects of the Marketing Plan ch 16

Course Outline

Week	<u>Topic(s)</u>	Learning Objective(s)
1	Business Marketing What is Marketing? Strategic Planning	LO 1. Define and explain the meaning of marketingLO 2: Explain the fundamentals of marketingLO3 Discuss the use of a marketing strategy to organize a marketing program
2	 Analyzing Marketing Opportunities Consumer Behavior: how People Make Buying Decisions Business Buying Behavior The Characteristics of Business-to-Business (B2B) Markets 	LO 4: Evaluate the role of marketing in practical business applications LO 5: Discuss marketing and its impact on business LO6 Analyze marketing

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		opportunities related to consumers and market segments.
3	Product and Distribution Marketing Segmenting, Targeting, and Positioning	LO6 Analyze marketing opportunities related to consumers and market segments. LO7 Analyze product and distribution channels.
4	Offerings Creating Offerings Developing and Managing Offerings	LO8 Analyze Consumer offerings
5	Marketing Channel Management Using Marketing Channels to Create Value Using Supply Chains to Create Value Marketing Research and Market Intelligence	LO9 Analyze marketing channels
6	Communications Marketing Communications and the Changing Media Public Relations, Social Media, Sponsorships	LO10 Explore the use of advertising in marketing
7	Keys to Marketing Professional Selling Customer Satisfaction, Loyalty, Empowerment	LO 11 Explain the importance of pricing and customer satisfaction in the marketing process LO 12 Evaluate and discuss issues surrounding ethics related to marketing
8	The Marketing Plan Price, the Only Revenue Generator The Marketing Plan	LO13 Learning the different aspects of the Marketing Plan

Course Delivery Method

This course delivered via distance learning will enable students to complete academic work ina flexible manner, completely online. Course materials and access to an online learning

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management system will be made available to each student. Online assignments are due by Sunday evening of the week as noted and include Forum questions (accomplished in groups through a threaded forum), examination, and individual assignments submitted for review by the Faculty Member). Assigned faculty will support the students throughout this eight-week course.

Policies

Please see the <u>Student Handbook</u> to reference all University policies. Quick links to frequently asked question about policies are listed below.

Drop/Withdrawal Policy Plagiarism Policy Extension Process and Policy Disability Accommodations

Grading Scale

Please see the <u>Student Handbook</u> to reference the University's <u>grading scale</u>.

Citation and Reference Style

Attention Please: Students will follow the APA Format as the sole citation and reference style used in written work submitted as part of coursework to the University. Assignments completed in a narrative essay or composition format must follow the citation style cited in the APA Format.

Late Assignments

Students are expected to submit classroom assignments by the posted due date and to complete the course according to the published class schedule. The due date for each assignment is listed under each Assignment. As adults, students, and working professionals, I understand you must manage competing demands on your time. We all know that "life happens" but it is important to adhere as closely to the deadlines in the class as possible.

Should you need additional time to complete an assignment, please contact me before the due date so we can discuss the situation and determine an acceptable resolution. If arrangements are not made in advance, a late penalty of 10% will be assessed for any assignment submitted 1-7 days past the due date. Assignments will not be accepted after the 7th day. No work will be accepted past the final day of class.

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- Humor Note: Despite the best of intentions, jokes and <u>especially</u> satire can easily get lost or taken seriously. If you feel the need for humor, you may wish to add "emoticons" to help alert your readers: ;-), :), ^(C)

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 of tutoring provided by APUS. <u>Tutor.com</u> connects you with a professional tutor online
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