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# Marketing (MKTG) 711 – Sections 001 and 002 CUSTOMER ANALYSIS

Class Period:

Section 001 – T/Th –10:30 am 12:00 pm JMHH 350 Section 002 – T/Th –1:30 pm 3:00 pm JMHH 360

#### GENERAL COURSE INFORMATION

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Course Admin: Provided in Class

Web-site: Info about \*Canvas Website Provided in Class

Text(s): No required Text Book—I will provide handouts and readings

## THE COURSE IS DIVIDED INTO <u>FOUR</u> SECTIONS (STPM) Segmentation, Targeting, Positioning and Messaging

Part I: **Segmentation**—Building a Customer Profile

Part II: Targeting—Gathering Information about your Chosen Segment

Part III: Positioning—Putting Product into Consumer Minds

Part IV: **Messaging**—*Talking to your Customers* 

By exploring and discussing these critical components of marketing, we formulate a strategic roadmap, a customer analysis "play book" of sorts. As the theoretical concepts "settle in," we substantiate them by executing a specific application and corresponding analytical tool. The application may be a case, guest speaker, or even data simulation exercise, but regardless, the purpose is to actually "see" these concepts come to life in the context of what is often a "messy real world."

This course is built around the mantra of "<u>learning by doing</u>." I don't believe in the concept of mid-term and final exams, tests or quizzes. So I won't waste your time cramming useless information into short term memory for the ultimate purpose of a one-day core dump. Rather, the approach that I have adopted is to create a structure (STPM), and within that structure, iterate from theory to practice. And apply the concepts to the real world.

#### **GRADING:**

Your course grade will be determined as follows. Each component of your grade is explained in greater detail on the next page.

COURSE COMPONENT		TOTAL POINTS
CLASS PARTICIPATION		50 Points
Attendance and Contributions to Class discussion	50	
Class Exercises		12 Points
Pre-Class Questionnaire	3	
Mid-Class Questionnaire	3	
End-Class Questionnaire	3	
Memory Exercise	3	
* Guest Speaker Engagement		30 Points
Guest Speaker #1	5	
Guest Speaker #2	5	
Guest Speaker #3	5	
Guest Speaker #4	5	
Guest Speaker #5	5	
Guest Speaker #6	5	
Guest Speaker #7	5	
* Quantitative Analysis Tools		30 Points
*Lab #1	10	
*Lab #2	10	
*Lab #3	10	
*Lab #4	10	
(1) GROUP PROJECT		30 Points
Managerial Summary	10	
Power Point Slide Deck	20	
TOTAL:		155 Points

 $<sup>(\</sup>bot)$  Students will learn HOW TO address each area using a specific managerial framework and an analytical tool. Cumulative learning will be applied to a Group Project Analysis that touches on one or more of the areas of (STPM) for a specific company.

<u>NOTE on class content</u>: Some of the analytics (e.g., Logistic Regression, Cluster analysis, ANOVA, Chi-Square analysis) partially overlap with statistical content from other marketing courses (e.g., Marketing Research), but our emphasis will be on how to use them to understand customers better. This is a drill down course that builds on concepts from the core marketing intro classes.

NOTE on class decorum: Bring your name plates to class every day (so I can learn who you are!) Do NOT bring lap tops, tablets, iPads, iPods, etc. into class. During class, you have my 100% attention; during class I want 100% of yours. Cell phones are fine, but you will lose class participation points if you use your mobile device to surf and answer email, etc.

<sup>\*</sup> NOTE: You can completely miss one of these assignments with NO PENALTY.

#### GRADING NOTES (Please Read Carefully):

#### COURSE COMPONENT

#### **CLASS PARTICIPATION:**

Attendance and Contributions to Class discussion: I along with help from the course TA will rate your contribution to class based on your attendance, the quality of your comments during class discussions, your level of engagement with the course materials in and out of class. Do NOT bring lap tops, tablets, iPads, iPods, etc. into class. During class, you have my 100% attention; during class I want 100% of yours. Cell phones are fine, but you will lose class participation points if you use your mobile device to surf and answer email, etc.

<u>Class Exercises</u>: Throughout the semester, as part of class engagement and class demonstrations, you will be asked to complete 5 total class exercises. These range from simple very short questionnaires that demonstrate concepts in class, to online exercises that bring concepts alive.

<u>Guest Speaker Engagement:</u> I will have excellent outsiders from Industry visit our class and present on how they approach concepts (that we discuss in class) in the real world. Students will also earn class participation points by attending all guest presentations, getting involved in the discussion (by asking and responding to insightful questions) and evaluating the speakers in an online post presentation questionnaire I will provide. You can miss one speaker engagement—the lowest score will be dropped.

Quantitative Analysis Tools: As part of the course, and the group project, I will teach you four quantitative customer analysis tools to use. On these days, we will be in a lab and complete the analysis. You will turn in four short lab write ups based on these analyses, demonstrating to me that you know how to apply and interpret the method. The lowest score of these lab assignments will be dropped.

#### **GROUP PROJECT:**

The group project is the culmination of the class to see if you truly have grasped the class concepts in total, and if you can apply them to a real world situation and real world company. The group project is designed to provide a hands-on opportunity to collaborate on a real world branding / consumer / marketing situation. Your team will be graded by the Marketing executives of the group project. Team members typically receive the same grade, although *adjustments will be made if necessary based on instructor and peer assessment of contributions to team work*. Your work will be submitted to the marketing executives for review and assessment.

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### **MKTG 711: DETAILED CALENDAR OF COURSE TOPICS**

Day	Date	Topic
Thursday	January 12	1. Introduction to the course

		PART I: Segmentation—Building a Customer Profile
Tuesday	January 17	2. Demographic Segmentation
Thursday	January 19	3. Lab Day One: ANALYTICAL TOOL analyze demographic segments
Tuesday	January 24	4. Introduction to the Group Project
Thursday	January 26	5. Consumer Identity and the Self-Concept
Tuesday	January 31	6. Guest Speaker: Hershey's Creating Personas
Thursday	February 2	7. Psychographic Segmentation
Tuesday	February 7	8. Lab Day Two: ANALYTICAL TOOL analyze psychographic segments

		PART II: Targeting—Gathering Information about your segment(s)
Thursday	February 9	Market Intelligence: Making Sense of Data using Models
Tuesday	February 14	10. Guest Speaker: Blue Labs – Analytics in Politics
Thursday	February 16	11. Measuring your Customer's Attitudes
Tuesday	February 21	12. Lab Day Three: ANALYTICAL TOOL to refine targeting strategy
Thursday	February 23	13. Case Analysis: Windows Phone Code Name Mango
Tuesday	February 28	14. Midterm Progress Report

		PART III: Positioning—Putting Product into Consumer Minds
Thursday	March 2	15. Guest Speaker: Interbrand
Tuesday	March 7	16. NO Class – Spring Break
Thursday	March 9	17. NO Class – Spring Break
Tuesday	March 14	18. Exposure, Perception and Attention
Thursday	March 16	19. Guest Speaker: Fizz and WOM to Generate Attentio
Tuesday	March 21	20. Memory and Retrieval
Thursday	March 23	21. Guest Speaker: Jet Blue Memory thru Customer Experience

		PART IV: Messaging—Talking to your Customers
Tuesday	March 28	22. Using Rational, Emotional and Social Appeals
Thursday	March 30	23. Lab Day Four: ANALYTICAL TOOL to assess advertising campaigns
Tuesday	April 4	24. Guest Speaker: Using Emotional Advertising to Differentiate
Thursday	April 6	25. LIVE Case Day: Topic Messaging
Tuesday	April 11	26. Guest Speaker: Consumer Crisis Management
Thursday	April 13	27. Prepare for Group Project Presentations
Tuesday	April 18	28. Prepare for Group Project Presentations
Thursday	April 20	29. Prepare for Group Project Presentations
Tuesday	April 25	30. Course Wrap up and Reflections

(\*) FINAL PRESENTATIONS: TBA—Likely May 1st, 2nd, or 3rd.