

# MKT1085 Principles of Marketing

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**SYLLABUS** 

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# **MKT1085** Principles of Marketing

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### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

The structure, function, and behavior of marketing systems are discussed. Emphasis is placed on the impact of social and economic environment and on the process of the decision-making aspect of marketing.

Credits: 4

**Prerequisites:** None

### INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION

Please see "Contacting the Instructor" on the course site.

### **COURSE OUTCOMES**

At the end of this course, a successful student will be able to

- CO-1. Identify key variables in customer decision making process through analysis and segmentation
- CO-2. Develop strategies and tactics for attracting/retaining customers and repositioning a brand for optimized results
- CO-3. Conduct competitive SWOT analysis
- CO-4. Perform foundational quantitative/financial analysis
- CO-5. Develop an integrated marketing plan
- CO-6. Optimize presentation and communication skills

### **MATERIALS**

# **Required Textbooks and Materials**

Principles of Marketing, 2015, University of Minnesota Libraries Publishing, ISBN: 978-9461351-9-3 <a href="https://open.umn.edu/opentextbooks/BookDetail.aspx?bookId=50">https://open.umn.edu/opentextbooks/BookDetail.aspx?bookId=50</a>

Library Guide: <a href="https://guide.unwsp.edu/MKT1085#s-lg-box-16376056">https://guide.unwsp.edu/MKT1085#s-lg-box-16376056</a>

American Marketing Association YouTube Channel:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCt 4BZ 5Tp12 IBWrUUAbtQ

American Marketing Association Website: https://www.ama.org/Pages/default.aspx

# **Provided by Student**

For this course, students will need access to Microsoft Office (available at no cost to students through the University of Northwestern-St. Paul), a PDF reader, and a standard internet browser. Please refer to the Tech Requirements found in the Technology Help section at the top of the course site for the full requirements.

### **GRADING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

### **Course Grade Explanation**

Assignments		<b>Grade Weight</b>
Chapter Quizzes		15
Chapter Reflections		15
Discussion Forums		30
Marketing Plan		<u>40</u>
	Total	100

### **Grading Scale Percentages**

Α	≥ 93	В	≥ 83	С	≥ 73	D	≥ 63
A-	≥ 90	B-	≥ 80	C-	≥ 70	D-	≥ 60
B+	≥ 87	C+	≥ 77	D+	≥ 67	F	< 60

### Late Work

All assignments are due as described in the course syllabus and the course site. Students are responsible for meeting assignment deadlines. Late assignments will be automatically deducted one letter grade. The assignments will drop an additional grade per day it is late, up to a 50% deduction in grade; late assignments will be not be accepted for a grade beyond one week past the original deadline. Forum discussion activities must be completed on time to earn points. Late forum posts will earn zero points. Students should contact the instructor via e-mail if an extenuating circumstance exists.

# Feedback Expectations

Students should expect feedback for their submitted assignments within 5 days of the assignment due date or the time of their submission, whichever is later.

### INSTITUTIONAL POLICIES AND SERVICES

### **Guidelines and Information**

Students are responsible for all content of the DE Student Handbook. The most recent version of the DE Student Handbook is located on confluence.unwsp.edu and includes the following policies and procedures:

- Deadlines for Dropping or Withdrawing
- Student/instructor Communication
- Appeals, Exceptions, Disciplinary Process, & Grievances
- Assignments (late work and plagiarism)
- Examinations
- Grading System

Instructors may have course-related expectations that further detail the policies and procedures outlined in the DE Student Handbook. Any such expectations must be provided to students in writing (e.g., handout, course site posting) prior to or at the beginning of the class.

Traditional undergraduate students enrolled in DE courses are subject to the traditional undergraduate student handbook for all non-course-specific policies and procedures.

### **Academic Integrity**

Plagiarism is theft—theft of someone else's words or ideas. It is claiming another's work as one's own. This would also include the following:

- Using the words or work of a former or current student in this class
- Recycling previously submitted assignments from a previous course attempt
- Using outside literature support sites such as, but not limited to, SparkNotes, Enotes or Schmoop that provide literary analysis of the texts we read throughout the semester

Students found plagiarizing are subject to discipline. The standard response ranges from loss of credit for the plagiarized assignment to earning an immediate "F" for the course to being placed on disciplinary probation. We should be committed to conducting ourselves with integrity in all things. Please refer to the DE Student Handbook for more detailed information about UNW's honesty and integrity policies.

In every course, students are required to view the Understanding Plagiarism video and complete the Understanding Plagiarism Quiz prior to completing any of the course content. These items are part of the course orientation.

### **Academic Achievement**

UNW students requesting academic accommodations in association with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) are directed to notify <u>Disability Services</u> to begin the application process. Academic Achievement also provides the following: Writing and Subject Tutoring, advocating, transitional skill building, Academic Coaching (organization, time management, test taking, etc.).

Contact Academic Achievement for more information: AcademicAchievement@unwsp.edu • 651-628-3316 • N4012 (Revised 06/20)

# **Support Services**

Links to support services are available found in the Student Services section at the top of the course site.

### COURSE POLICIES AND INFORMATION

### **Email and Announcements**

Students are responsible to regularly check their Northwestern student email and the announcements in the course site in order to receive updates and information.

### Attendance

Students are expected to participate in all course activities. Students must contact the faculty member in advance or as soon as possible if unable to participate in all or part of the course activities for a given week because of a medical (which includes having to quarantine or isolate due to COVID-19 exposure or confirmed illness), family, or work-related emergency. Students should refer to their course syllabus and/or faculty member for specific requirements. Students who do not participate in course activities and fail to withdraw from the course will receive a failing "F" grade.

### **Submission Standards**

All written assignments should adhere to the following DE guidelines. Documents should be in the following format unless directed differently by the syllabus or course instructor:

- Submitted on the course site in Microsoft Word document format (.doc or .docx)
- Set in a traditional typeface 12-point font
- Double-spaced (unless the syllabus instructs otherwise)
- Set with one-inch margins
- Formatted in APA style for in-text citations and reference page (LIT1100 may ask for MLA documentation style)
- Labeled and submitted with the following information (APA papers require this information on a cover sheet, as detailed in A Pocket Style Manual): Student Name, Course Code and Title, Instructor Name, and Date.

### Critical Response to Alternate Viewpoints

When students are reading or viewing course materials, they may encounter viewpoints, words, or images that their instructors would not use or endorse. Students should know that materials are chosen for their value in learning to read, write, and view critically, not because the materials are necessarily Christian.

### **ASSIGNMENTS**

See the course site for complete details on the assignments.

### Reading

Each week includes required reading from *Principles of Marketing*. The textbook is available online via a link on the course site. You must read each chapter of the text as assigned.

# **Chapter Reflections**

After reading each chapter of the textbook, you will complete a Chapter Reflection paper. These papers are 1 page in length, and will have you reflect on specific concepts from the weekly reading. See the course site for further details on the assignment and the grading criteria. Chapter reflections are due by 11:55pm on Sundays.

### **Discussion Forums**

Following the course Schedule, provide written responses to weekly forums which may include discussion questions on textbook readings, reflections on posted articles, or submissions of research findings. Forums provide a framework for dynamic learning outside of the classroom through collaboration, critical thinking and scholarly response. In order for all learners to achieve the maximum benefit, each learner must participate on time and be engaged in forum discussions. Each entry is expected to be clear and concise, and use correct spelling, grammar, and appropriate vocabulary. Replies should seek to move the discussion forward in a meaningful and insightful manner and avoid yes/no responses. The quality of content is more important than its length. Create an initial post and respond to at least one of your colleagues, unless otherwise stated. Initial postings are due by 11:55 pm on Thursdays (Day 4) and responses are due by 11:55pm on Sundays (Day 7).

# **Chapter Quizzes**

Each chapter has a quiz to complete after reading. Reading and studying before taking the online quiz should prepare you well. The quizzes in this course are closed-book exams, and are available on the

online course site. You may not use the materials on the course site, student notes, course textbook(s), video(s) and other course materials, nor have assistance by any person, in completing the exams. The quizzes all consist of 10 true/false questions based on the weekly reading, and you will have 1 30 minute attempt to complete the quiz. Quizzes are due by 11:59pm on Sundays.

### **Marketing Plan**

Over the duration of the course, you will be working in groups with your classmates to develop a marketing plan for a product or service. This will be a real world plan, one that is well considered and developed. The marketing plan should clarify what the business challenge is that you're addressing, look at external and internal analysis, clearly define your target market, and address all of the four P's in your strategy. The plan will include the written marketing plan, a group presentation of the plan, reviewing other group's plans, and group work throughout the course. See the course site for more details on the assignment and for further grading criteria.

### **COURSE SCHEDULE**

### **Format**

Everything needed to successfully complete this course in fifteen weeks is explained on the course site. Each assignment has been designed to work together during each week. When studying, be sure to follow the suggested format explained for each lesson.

For this course, students will receive access to each week's work as the semester progresses. There will be due dates during the week, but most weekly assignments will be due by 11:59 p.m. on Friday. Please refer to the schedule for the due dates of assignments.

Generally, for college-level work, students should expect to have an average of 9.5 hours of homework per week.

The last official class day in Week 15 varies from semester to semester. Please refer to the Semester Calendar found in the Academic Information section at the top of the course site for the actual last day of class. All course work must be completed and submitted by that day.

### **Due Dates**

All written assignments (outlined below) are to be submitted on the course site by 11:59 p.m. CT on Sundays at the end of each week in which they are assigned, unless otherwise noted.

For any questions regarding these assignments, contact the instructor.

### Orientation

- Read the Getting Started Page
- Participate in the Introductions Forum
- View and Complete Understanding Plagiarism Presentation and Quiz
- Complete Student Responsibilities Exercise

# Week 1: What is marketing and why is the study of marketing important?

- Read *Principles of Marketing*, Chapter 1
- View Intro to Marketing (5:46)
- Participate in the Group Forum Meet your Group

- Participate in the Chapter 1: The Role of Marketing Forum
- Submit the Chapter 1 Reflection Paper
- Complete the Chapter 1 Quiz

• Initial Post in the Chapter 1: The Role of Marketing Forum

### **Due on Sunday**

- Replies in the Chapter 1: The Role of Marketing Forum
- Participate in the Group Forum Meet your Group
- Submit the Chapter 1 Reflection Paper
- Complete the Chapter 1 Quiz

# Week 2: What is the role of strategic planning in marketing?

- Read Principles of Marketing, Chapter 2
- View Week 2 Videos
- Participate in the Group Forum Finalize Project Topic
- Submit group marketing plan topic choice
- Participate in the Chapter 2: Strategy Formulation Forum
- Submit the Chapter 2 Reflection Paper
- Complete the Chapter 2 Quiz

### **Due on Thursday**

- Initial Post in the Chapter 2: Strategy Formulation Forum
- Participate in the Group Forum Finalize Project Topic

### **Due on Sunday**

- Replies in the Chapter 2: Strategy Formulation Forum
- Submit group marketing plan topic choice
- Submit the Chapter 2 Reflection Paper
- Complete the Chapter 2 Quiz

# Week 3: What is a marketing plan and how is a marketing plan developed?

- Read Principles of Marketing, Chapter 16
- View Week 3 Videos
- Participate in the Chapter 16: Marketing Plan Functions Forum
- Submit Chapter 16 Reflection Paper
- Complete the Chapter 16 Quiz

### **Due on Thursday**

• Initial Post in the Chapter 16: Marketing Plan Functions Forum

#### **Due on Sunday**

- Replies in the Chapter 16: Marketing Plan Functions Forum
- Submit the Chapter 16 Reflection Paper
- Complete the Chapter 16 Quiz

# Week 4: What is consumer behavior and how do consumers make decisions?

• Read Principles of Marketing, Chapter 3

- View How Consumers Make Purchase Decisions (16:58)
- Participate in the Chapter 3: Influencers of Consumer Behavior Forum
- Submit Chapter 3 Reflection Paper
- Complete the Chapter 3 Quiz

• Initial Post in the Chapter 3: Influencers of Consumer Behavior Forum

### **Due on Sunday**

- Replies in the Chapter 3: Influencers of Consumer Behavior Forum
- Submit the Chapter 3 Reflection Paper
- Complete the Chapter 3 Quiz

# Week 5: What is business to business (B2B) marketing and how is B2B marketing different than consumer marketing?

- Read Principles of Marketing, Chapter 4
- View Week 5 Videos
- Participate in the Chapter 4: Comparison of B2B Marketing to Consumer Marketing Forum
- Submit Chapter 4 Reflection Paper
- Complete the Chapter 4 Quiz

### **Due on Thursday**

• Initial Post in the Chapter 4: Comparison of B2B Marketing to Consumer Marketing Forum

### **Due on Sunday**

- Replies in the Chapter 4: Comparison of B2B Marketing to Consumer Marketing Forum
- Submit the Chapter 4 Reflection Paper
- Complete the Chapter 4 Quiz

# Week 6: How are target markets segmented and how are target markets selected?

- Read Principles of Marketing, Chapter 5
- View Week 6 Videos
- Participate in Chapter 5: How are Target Markets Selected Forum
- Submit Chapter 5 Reflection Paper
- Complete the Chapter 5 Quiz

### **Due on Thursday**

Initial Post in the Chapter 5: How are Target Markets Selected Forum

### **Due on Sunday**

- Replies in the Chapter 5: How are Target Markets Selected Forum
- Submit the Chapter 5 Reflection Paper
- Complete the Chapter 5 Quiz

# Week 7: What is the process that companies use to create new product offerings?

- Read Principles of Marketing, Chapter 6
- View Week 7 Videos

- Participate in the Chapter 6: Factors Companies Consider When Making Branding Decisions
   Forum
- Submit Chapter 6 Reflection Paper
- Complete the Chapter 6 Quiz

• Initial Post in the Chapter 6: Factors Companies Consider When Making Branding Decisions Forum

### **Due on Sunday**

- Replies in the Chapter 6: Factors Companies Consider When Making Branding Decisions Forum
- Submit the Chapter 6 Reflection Paper
- Complete the Chapter 6 Quiz

## Week 8: How is the product life cycle managed?

- Read Principles of Marketing, Chapter 7
- View Week 8 Videos
- Participate in the Chapter 7: Factors to Consider When Companies Introduce New Products Forum
- Submit Chapter 7 Reflection Paper
- Complete the Chapter 7 Quiz

### **Due on Thursday**

• Initial Post in the Chapter 7: Factors to Consider When Companies Introduce New Products Forum

### **Due on Sunday**

- Replies in the Chapter 7: Factors to Consider When Companies Introduce New Products Forum
- Submit the Chapter 7 Reflection Paper
- Complete the Chapter 7 Quiz

# Week 9: How are marketing channels used to create value for customers?

- Read Principles of Marketing, Chapter 8
- View Week 9 Videos
- Participate in the Chapter 8: How are Marketing Channels Selected Forum
- Submit Chapter 8 Reflection Paper
- Complete the Chapter 8 Quiz

### **Due on Thursday**

• Initial Post in the Chapter 8: How are Marketing Channels Selected Forum

### **Due on Sunday**

- Replies in the Chapter 8: How are Marketing Channels Selected Forum
- Submit the Chapter 8 Reflection Paper
- Complete the Chapter 8 Quiz

# Week 10: What is market research and how is research used in marketing?

- Read Principles of Marketing, Chapter 10
- View Week 10 Videos

- Participate in the Chapter 10: Market Research as a Competitive Advantage Forum
- Submit Chapter 10 Reflection Paper
- Complete the Chapter 10 Quiz

Initial Post in the Chapter 10: Market Research as a Competitive Advantage Forum

### **Due on Sunday**

- Replies in the Chapter 10: Market Research as a Competitive Advantage Forum
- Submit the Chapter 10 Reflection Paper
- Complete the Chapter 10 Quiz

## Week 11: What are the factors that affect pricing decisions?

- Read *Principles of Marketing,* Chapter 15
- View Week 11 Videos
- Participate in the Chapter 15: How Companies Choose Pricing Strategies Forum
- Submit Chapter 15 Reflection Paper
- Complete the Chapter 15 Quiz

### **Due on Thursday**

• Initial Post in the Chapter 15: How Companies Choose Pricing Strategies Forum

#### **Due on Sunday**

- Replies in the Chapter 15: How Companies Choose Pricing Strategies Forum
- Submit the Chapter 15 Reflection Paper
- Complete the Chapter 15 Quiz

# Week 12: How can integrated marketing communications be used to promote and influence consumer behavior?

- Read Principles of Marketing, Chapter 11
- View Week 12 Videos
- Participate in the Chapter 11: How Companies Choose Messaging Strategies Forum
- Submit Chapter 11 Reflection Paper
- Complete the Chapter 11 Quiz

### **Due on Thursday**

Initial Post in the Chapter 11: How Companies Choose Messaging Strategies Forum

#### **Due on Sunday**

- Replies in the Chapter 11: How Companies Choose Messaging Strategies Forum
- Submit the Chapter 11 Reflection Paper
- Complete the Chapter 11 Quiz

# Week 13: How is social media used in marketing?

- Read *Principles of Marketing*, Chapter 12
- View Week 13 Videos
- Participate in the Chapter 12: Social Media Strategies for Public Relations Forum
- Submit Chapter 12 Reflection Paper

• Complete the Chapter 12 Quiz

### **Due on Thursday**

• Initial Post in the Chapter 12: Social Media Strategies for Public Relations Forum

### **Due on Sunday**

- Replies in the Chapter 12: Social Media Strategies for Public Relations Forum
- Submit the Chapter 12 Reflection Paper
- Complete the Chapter 12 Quiz

### Week 14: What is the role of professional sales in marketing?

- Read *Principles of Marketing*, Chapter 13
- View Week 14 Videos
- Participate in the Chapter 13: Sales and Ethics Forum
- Submit Chapter 13 Reflection Paper
- Complete the Chapter 13 Quiz

### **Due on Thursday**

• Initial Post in the Chapter 13: Sales and Ethics Forum

### **Due on Sunday**

- Replies in the Chapter 13: Sales and Ethics Forum
- Submit the Chapter 13 Reflection Paper
- Complete the Chapter 13 Quiz

# Week 15: What is consumer satisfaction and how is customer loyalty measured?

The final week varies in length based on the semester. Please refer to the Semester Calendars found in the Academic Information section at the top of the course site for details.

- Read Principles of Marketing, Chapter 14
- View Week 15 Videos
- Participate in the Chapter 14: Customer Loyalty and Ethics Forum
- Submit Chapter 14 Reflection Paper
- Complete Chapter 14 Quiz
- Submit Final Marketing Plan
- Post Kaltura presentation to Final Marketing Plan Presentation Forum

### **Due on Thursday**

• Initial Post in the Chapter 14: Customer Loyalty and Ethics Forum

### **Due on Sunday**

- Replies in the Chapter 14: Customer Loyalty and Ethics Forum
- Submit the Chapter 14 Reflection Paper
- Complete the Chapter 14 Quiz
- Submit Final Marketing Plan
- Post Kaltura presentation to Final Marketing Plan Presentation Forum