

Module Guide

Principles of Marketing

BBM_4_PRM

School of Business

Level Four

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MODULE DETAILS

Module Title: Principles of Marketing

Module Level: Four

Module Reference Number: BBM_4_PRM

Credit Value: 20 credits

Student Study Hours: 200

Contact Hours: 60 Private Study Hours: 140

Pre-requisite Learning (If applicable): N/A Co-requisite Modules (If applicable): N/A

Course(s): BA (Hons) Marketing courses

BA (Hons) Accounting and Finance Courses BA (Hons) Business Management Courses BA (Hons) Creative Advertising with Marketing

BA (Hons) Fashion and Advertising

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Subject Area: Marketing

Summary of Assessment Method: 100% Coursework External Examiner appointed for Amandeep Takhar

module:

SHORT DESCRIPTION

The module introduces students to the theories and practices of marketing providing them with an underpinning in the subject of marketing for further studies at levels 5 and 6. It acts as an introduction to the basic principles of marketing from which other modules can develop. These principles include the marketing environment, the marketing mix, marketing research and buyer behaviour.

AIMS OF THE MODULE

This module aims to provide students with an introduction to the nature and scope of marketing. Introducing them to a background knowledge of marketing as a management tool this module aims to develop students' understanding of the central role marketing can play in business and to provide students with a foundation in the principles, theories and frameworks of marketing.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Knowledge and Understanding

On completion of this module a student will be able to:

- A1. Show knowledge of marketing concepts and principles
- A2. Understand the elements of the marketing mix
- A3. Provide an understanding of the wider marketing environment

Intellectual Skills

On completion of this module a student will be able to:

B1. Draw on a range of marketing theoretical models

Practical Skills

On completion of this module a student will be able to:

- C1. Think independently
- C2. Work within time constraints

Transferable Skills

On completion of this module a student will be able to:

D1. Problem solve more effectively

ASSESSMENT OF THE MODULE

Summative Assessment:-

100% coursework consisting of two closed book tests.

Students are required to complete the following:-

Test One 40 minute test - 40% **Test Two** 90 minute test - 60%

In the event that students miss either or both of tests 1 and 2, or do not achieve a mark of 40%, then an opportunity will be made available to re-sit them. These will take place during standard re-sit times offered by the university in April.

Formative Assessment:-

Individual Pecha Kucha presentations

Assessment Schedule:

Summative Assessment:-

Test One Week 6 – Week of 28th October 2019

This multiple choice test will take place in seminar sessions and will include 40 questions on topics covered in weeks 1-5. le. Introduction to Marketing. The Marketing Environment, Consumer Behavior, and Segmentation Targeting and Positioning.

Test Two Week 12 – Week of 9th December 2019

This test will comprise two parts

Part One: Multiple choice test will take place in seminar sessions and will include 40 questions on topics covered in weeks 6-11 ie. The Product and Branding, Pricing Place (Distribution, Promotion, Consumer Culture, Marketing Ethics and Corporate Social Responsibility.

Part Two: Pecha Kucha Reflection: The student must write a report on their Pecha Kucha presentation. Students are to reflect and improve upon the content presented during their presentation. This is an opportunity for the student to further solidify their ideas with theory. The student must write about the following (these headings will be provided on the exam answer-sheet):

- 1. Introduction to the Brand
- 2. The Brands Marketing Environment
- 3. How the brand segments, who they target, and how they are positioned.
- 4. The 4 P's of the Brand
- 5. A proposed promotional idea for the brand

Formative Assessment:

During Weeks 10 & 11 – Weeks commencing 25th November and 2nd December 2019

Individual Pecha Kucha presentations will take place in seminar sessions.

Pecha Kucha is a presentation style using just images with no text in which 20 slides are shown for 20 seconds each.

In this presentation, students are to outline the current marketing status of a brand of their choice (part one) as well as propose a promotional idea for this same brand (part two). It is proposed that the student uses 10 slides to outline the brands current marketing status, and ten slides to propose their promotional idea. Students are expected to include theory learnt in class, to aid the construction of their plan, and to aid the structure of their presentation. Students should introduce the brand, outline the brands 4 P's (part one), and then propose their promotional idea (part two).

FEEDBACK

Feedback will be provided for the first test in the seminar week following the test. Feedback for the second test is available upon student request from their seminar tutor.

INTRODUCTION TO STUDYING THE MODULE

Overview of the Main Content

The Marketing Concept
The Marketing Environment
Consumer Behaviour
Marketing Research
Target Marketing
The Marketing Mix
Branding
Ethics

Overview of Types of Classes

This module will be delivered via a weekly 2 hour lecture and a 2 hour seminar.

Seminars will generally follow the lecture topics, aiming to give students further opportunity to understand, develop and practice the concepts and skills delivered in the lectures. Elements of assessment and feedback will also take place during seminar time. Seminars will focus on practical exercises, case studies and assessment that all require full student participation.

A range of blended learning techniques will also be implemented using the VLE to further support teaching and learning. These will involve individual exercises and web-based exercises.

Importance of Student Self-Managed Learning Time

Students' self managed time is extremely important for this module. Students are required to undertake directed self-study and prepare solutions/discussions to questions relative to various topic areas. Students will be encouraged to identify for themselves particular problems of difficulty and to use seminar discussions, where appropriate, for the resolution of these. Students must regularly access the Moodle site for this module https://vle.lsbu.ac.uk/login.php They should download the class/lecture material from the Moodle site, and do the recommended reading, before each lecture/class.

Where appropriate, students are also expected to download the relevant seminar questions and study them in advance of each seminar, in order to derive maximum benefit from seminar time. The programme of teaching, learning and assessment gives guidance on the textbook reading required for each week, the purpose of which is to encourage further reading both on and around the topic.

Employability

This module contributes to a student's employability by enabling them to gain the necessary basic understanding of marketing theory which will enhance their employment potential across a wide range of marketing roles.

THE PROGRAMME OF TEACHING, LEARNING AND ASSESSMENT

Week One: Defining Marketing & The Marketing Process

Lecture: What is Marketing? The marketing concept, history of marketing, the marketing mix.

Seminar: Introduction to the module guide and Moodle. Introductory case study.

Core reading: Armstrong et al (2015) Chapters 1 & 2

Kotler et al (2017) Chapters 1 & 2

Self Study: Core text reading for this week and next week.

Week Two: The Marketing Environment

Lecture: The environmental forces that affect a company's ability to serve its customers. SWOT

analysis.

Seminar: M&S SWOT analysis

Core reading: Armstrong et al (2015) Chapters 2 & 3

Kotler et al (2017) Chapters 2 & 3

Self study: Core text reading for next week

Week Three: Marketing Research

Lecture: Managing marketing information. The marketing research process. Gathering primary and secondary

data. Qualitative and quantitative research methods.

Seminar: Netnographic-styled review of a consumer forum

Core reading: Armstrong et al (2015) Chapter 4

Kotler et al (2017) Chapter 4

Self study: Core text reading for next week

Week Four: Consumer Behaviour

Lecture: The major factors that influence consumer buying behaviour. Why and how we buy.

The buyer decision process..

Seminar: Review and Discussion on Consumer Behavior Short Films

Core reading: Armstrong et al (2015) Chapter 5

Kotler et al (2017) Chapter 5

Self study: Core text reading for next week

Week Five: Segmentation, Targeting & Positioning

Lecture: The bases for segmentation, how companies identify attractive market segments. Target

marketing strategies and positioning strategies for maximum competitive advantage.

Seminar: STP Activity. Preparation for Test One

Core reading: Armstrong et al (2015) Chapter 6

Kotler et al (2017) Chapter 7

Self study: Core text reading for next week

Week Six: The Product and Branding

Lecture: Levels of product and services. Product and service classifications. Product lines and

product mixes. Branding strategy and managing brands.

Seminar: Test One

Core reading: Armstrong et al (2015) Chapter 7 and 8

Kotler et al (2017) Chapter 8 and 9

Self study: Core text reading for next week.

Week Seven: Pricing

Lecture: Factors to consider when setting prices. New-product pricing strategies.

Seminar: Toblerone Case Study

Core reading: Armstrong et al (2015) Chapter 9

Kotler et al (2017) Chapters 10 & 11

Self study: Core text reading for next week.

Week Eight: Place (Distribution)

Lecture: Marketing channels and supply chain management.

Seminar: Supply Chain Management Activity

Core reading: Armstrong et al (2015) Chapter 10

Kotler et al (2017) Chapter 12

Self study: Core text reading for next week.

Week Nine: Promotion

 $\textbf{Lecture:} \ \ \textbf{The promotion mix. Advertising. Public relations, sales promotion, personal}$

selling and direct marketing

Seminar: Branding in the Era of Social Media Case Study

Core reading: Armstrong et al (2015) Chapter 12

Kotler et al (2017) Chapters 14 & 15

Self study: Core text reading for next week. Prepare Pecha Kucha presentations.

Week Ten: Consumer Culture

Lecture: Group consumption, tribal marketing, brand communities.

Seminar: Formative assessment. Individual Pecha Kucha presentations part 1.

Core reading: Assigned Journal Article (moodle)

Self study: Core text reading for next week..

Week Eleven: Marketing Ethics and Corporate Social Responsibility

Lecture: How brands behave, Greenwashing, The social impact of marketing .

Seminar: Formative assessment. Individual Pecha Kucha presentations part 2.

Core reading: Assigned Journal Article (moodle)

Self study: Revision

Week Twelve: Revision

Lecture: Revision

Seminar: Test Two.

Self study: Revision

STUDENT EVALUATION

Feedback was very positive and encouraging from module evaluation questionnaires carried out in academic year 2018/2019. There have been some minor changes to assessment following a TESTA review.

LEARNING RESOURCES

Principles of Marketing Reading list:

https://lsbu.rl.talis.com/lists/819CC08F-76D5-C8A2-8991-35E7A75EEB25.html

Core Reading:

Armstrong, G. Kotler, P. Harke, M. and Brennan, R. (2015) *Marketing: An Introduction*. Harlow: Pearson

Available from: http://0-lib.myilibrary.com.lispac.lsbu.ac.uk?id=818230

Optional Reading:

Baines, P., Fill, C. & Rosengren, S (2017) *Marketing*. Fourth edition Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Blythe J. (2014) Principles and Practice of Marketing. Los Angeles, California: SAGE.

Blythe J. and Martin J. (2016) *Essentials of Marketing*. Harlow: Pearson. Available from: http://o-lib.myilibrary.com.lispac.lsbu.ac.uk?id=897521

Brassington, F. and Pettitt, S. (2013) *Essentials of Marketing*. Harlow: Pearson. Available from: http://o-www.myilibrary.com.lispac.lsbu.ac.uk?id=428338

Dibb, S. Simkin, L, Pride, W. and Ferrel, O. (2016) *Marketing: Concepts and Strategies*. Andover: Hampshire.

Available from: http://o-lib.myilibrary.com.lispac.lsbu.ac.uk?id=911615

Fahy, J. and Jobber, D.(2015) Foundations of Marketing. Maidenhead: McGraw-Hill.

Kotler P. and Armstrong G. (2016) *Principles of Marketing* Sixteenth edition Global edition Harlow: Pearson Education.

Available from: http://0lib.myilibrary.com.lispac.lsbu.ac.uk?id=897117

Kotler, P., Armstrong, G. and Harris, L. C. (2017) *Principles of Marketing*. Seventh European Edition. Harlow: Pearson.

Newspapers and Magazines:

Harvard Business Review.

EBSCO Publishing (Firm) [no date-b] Harvard business review. Boston: Graduate School of Business Administration, Harvard University. Available from: http://o-search.ebscohost.com.lispac.lsbu.ac.uk/direct.asp?db=bth&jid=HBR&scope=site

Marketing Week.

EBSCO Publishing (Firm) [no date-c] Marketing week. Available from: http://o-search.ebscohost.com.lispac.lsbu.ac.uk/direct.asp?db=bth&jid=1Q3&scope=site

The Economist

The economist [no date]. London: [Economist Newspaper Ltd.]. Available from: http://o-www.economist.com.lispac.lsbu.ac.uk/printedition/cover_index.cfm

The Guardian

Available from: http://o-search.proquest.com.lispac.lsbu.ac.uk/publication/35250

The Independent

Available from: http://o-search.proquest.com.lispac.lsbu.ac.uk/publication/46190

The Times

Available from: http://0-search.proquest.com.lispac.lsbu.ac.uk/publication/33565

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