**MKT 5311 CRN 27760 – MBA HYBRID – SP 2021**  
**MARKETING MANAGEMENT**

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**Zoom Meetings:**  
Tuesdays 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM; Saturdays 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

**Zoom Info:**  
ID: 885 6314 7934  Passcode: GOMINERS1  
https://utep.edu.zoom.us/j/88563147934?pwd=NlUyNjFaMVZNeUFGSkpONm9yTXpNdz09

**Virtual Office Hours:**  
TR 1:00 – 2:00 PM or by appointment on Blackboard  
https://us.bbcollab.com/guest/43ec0c8ae5434ffeb9791dca5308a63c

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**Course Description**

Analysis of policy formulation by marketing management with special emphasis on the influence of internal and external environment factors that affect the competitive strategies of a marketing firm. This class will provide you with an overview of the marketing management process and will introduce you to marketing management decisions.

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**Grading**

- Readings and Quizzes: 100 points  
  A = 360 points or higher  
- Individual Assignments: 100 points  
  B = 320 points or higher  
- Team Assignments: 100 points  
  C = 280 points or higher  
- Final Exam: 100 points  
  D = 240 points or higher  
  F = less than 240 points

**TOTAL** 400 points
**Recommended books (a textbook is not required):**


**Readings and Quizzes**
The instructor will assign weekly readings. Students must complete readings and answer a quiz prior to the class session. A textbook is not required, but students are encouraged to acquire a textbook for future reference. Course readings include academic journal articles and articles from business magazines. A reading list for this course appears at the end of this document. Readings are available through the UTEP online library and Google Scholar. Students may need VPN access to download articles off campus. If you need help to access the readings, contact the library (747-5643) or the IT Help Desk (747-4357).

The quizzes will test students’ understanding of the readings. Quizzes may include a combination of multiple choice and open-ended questions. The instructor will post quizzes on Blackboard. Students must complete assigned quizzes before class. Late submissions may be accepted in extraordinary circumstances. Late submissions may incur a penalty, however.

**Individual Assignments**
Individual assignments consist of essays about selected topics. The instructor will post questions and prompts to guide students’ essays. The essays should not be written as Q&A or bullet points. Instead, essays should tell a story. Imagine you are writing an article in a magazine addressing the questions.

Submission: Essays must be submitted via Blackboard before the due date. Late submissions via email will be accepted in exceptional cases (with a penalty).

Format: MS Word. Times New Roman Font 12, single-spaced. Include name and date.

Length: Essays must not exceed one page.

Note: Submissions that do not follow format and length requirements will be penalized.

Each essay is worth 10 points. Check the class schedule at the end of this document for due dates. Submission does not guarantee full credit.

**Rubric**
1) The student answers the questions in the required format (e.g., essay, storytelling).
2) The student demonstrates an understanding of the main point of the articles.
3) The student can compare and contrast the articles.
4) The student can provide examples of applications of the article to a current business situation.
5) The paper complies with formatting, length, and submission deadline.
Note: Some readings may include statistical analysis, equations, and research methodology. Students can skip the methodology and analysis sections and only focus on the introduction (at the beginning) and managerial implications (at the end).

**Team Assignments**
Each class meeting, students will work in teams on a given assignment. All team assignments must be completed in class. No make-up team assignments will be available. At each meeting, the instructor will provide an assignment and assign teams. Assignments will be based on the readings. Students will work in different teams every class. Before starting an assignment, teams will select a team coordinator. The team coordinator will send the teamwork document to the professor by email at frjimenezarevalo@utep.edu.

**Email format**
**Email subject:** Include the course name and date  
**CC:** Copy all members in your team  
**Email body:** Start with a greeting and specify the purpose of the email. Include in the email all team members’ names.  
**Attachments:** Documents must include the full name of all team members.

The professor will randomly select teams to present their work to the class. Each team assignment is worth 10 points.

**Final Exam**
The final exam is comprehensive and worth 100 points. The final exam will include a combination of multiple choice and open-ended questions. Students will take the final exam during class time. Lockdown browser and monitor will be required. More information at:  
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responsibility for their work. Materials (written or otherwise) submitted to fulfill academic requirements must represent a student’s own efforts. Do not write a name of a student who was not present for teamwork. Any act of academic dishonesty attempted by a UTEP student is unacceptable and will not be tolerated. Violations will be referred to the Dean of Students Office for disciplinary action. Students may be suspended or expelled from UTEP for such actions. For more information visit:  

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Student Counseling Center:  http://sa.utep.edu/counsel; (915) 747-5302
202 Union West; walk-ins encouraged

Student Health Center:  http://chs.utep.edu/health; (915) 747-5624
Many services free to students paid for through student health fee

Center for Accommodations and Support Services:  http://sa.utep.edu/cass
106 Union East; (915) 747-5148
For disability accommodations

Student Engagement and Leadership Center:  http://sa.utep.edu/selc
106 Union West; (915) 747-5670
Includes study space with workstations; family friendly room with lactation space

Career Center:  http://sa.utep.edu/careers; 103 Union West; (915) 747-5640

Minetracker: https://minetracker.utep.edu/  Events, news, and organizations

**Tentative Schedule**

**Session 1. Intro to Marketing / Tuesday, April 6**   **Time: 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM**

Readings, quizzes, and individual assignments are due prior to the meeting.

Readings:


Quiz: Blackboard

Individual assignment: In essay-style (story telling), answer the following questions:

1) What is the origin of marketing as an academic discipline?
2) What is marketing?
3) The Marketing discipline was created to help managers solve problems. Discuss several problems marketers deal with.
4) Why is marketing important for an organization?
Session 2. Intro to Marketing Management / Saturday, April 10  
Time: 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM
Readings, quizzes, and individual assignments are due prior to the meeting.

Readings:

Quiz: Blackboard

Individual assignment: In an essay-style (story telling), answer the following questions:

1) Choose a company and describe the following:
   a) Target market
   b) Positioning
   c) Value proposition
   d) Elements of the Marketing Mix

Session 3. Market Orientation / Tuesday, April 13  
Time: 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM
Readings, quizzes, and individual assignments are due prior to the meeting.

Readings:

Quiz: Blackboard

Individual assignment: In essay-style (story telling), answer the following questions:

1) Compare and contrast the three articles. What do the articles have in common and how are the articles different?

2) According to the readings, what elements (policies, actions, processes) are needed to implement a market orientation in an organization?

3) Provide an example of a company that has implemented a market orientation. Discuss the elements (policies, actions, processes). Be specific.
Session 4. Competitive Advantage / Saturday, April 17  Time: 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM
Readings, quizzes, and individual assignments are due prior to the meeting.

Readings:

Quiz: Blackboard

Individual assignment: In an essay-style (story telling), answer the following questions:

1) Compare and contrast each author’s perspective. That is, according to each author, how can firms achieve a position of competitive advantage and obtain superior financial performance?

2) How can the marketing function help companies achieve a position of competitive advantage and obtain superior financial performance

Session 5. Segmentation / Tuesday, April 20  Time: 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM
Readings, quizzes, and individual assignments are due prior to the meeting.

Readings:

Quiz: Blackboard

Individual assignment: In essay-style (story telling), answer the following questions:

1) Compare and contrast the articles. What is segmentation for each author? What are the recommendations each author provides for managers? What do they have in common, how are they different?

2) Choose a company and explain how the company segments the market.
Session 6. Branding / Saturday, April 24     Time: 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM
Readings, quizzes, and individual assignments are due prior to the meeting.

Readings:

Quiz: Blackboard

Individual assignment: In essay-style (story telling), answer the following questions:

1) Each author explains: why are brands valuable to consumers in the marketplace? Compare and contrast authors’ perspectives.
2) Which perspective do you agree with? Provide examples to justify your answer.

Session 7. Innovation / Tuesday, April 27     Time: 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM
Readings, quizzes, and individual assignments are due prior to the meeting.

Readings:

Quiz: Blackboard

Individual assignment: In an essay-style (story telling), answer the following questions:

1) According to each of the following authors, which factors help or hinder innovation?
2) What is the role of the marketing department in innovation?
3) What managerial recommendations do the articles offer?
Session 8. Distribution / Saturday, May 1  Time: 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM
Readings, quizzes, and individual assignments are due prior to the meeting.

Readings:

Quiz: Blackboard

Individual assignment: In an essay-style (story telling), answer the following questions:

1) Provide an example of a business partnership between two companies that has been successful. Explain the key factors of success.
2) Provide an example of a business partnership between two companies that failed. Explain the key factors of failure.
3) How do these examples relate to the readings?

Session 9. Pricing and Competition / Tuesday, May 4  Time: 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM
Readings, quizzes, and individual assignments are due prior to the meeting.

Readings:

Quiz: Blackboard

Individual assignment: In essay-style (story telling), answer the following questions:

1) Provide an example of a company that has successfully survived for many years in the market. What is the company’s competitive strategy? What factors have driven its success?
2) Provide an example of a company that could not survive new competitors. What was the company’s competitive strategy? What factors influenced the company’s failure?
3) How do your examples relate to the articles?
4) How can the marketing function make a company more competitive?
Session 10. Marketing Communications / Saturday, May 8     Time: 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM
Readings, quizzes, and individual assignments are due prior to the meeting.

Readings:

Quiz: Blackboard

Individual assignment: In essay-style (story telling), answer the following questions:

1) Provide an example of how big data, artificial intelligence, or new technologies (e.g., wearables, Alexa) are changing advertising and/or product/service delivery.
2) In terms of marketing communication, what is different between digital marketing (i.e., selling on the internet) and selling in stores. What are some opportunities and challenges in digital marketing?
3) What changes in marketing communications would you predict in the next 5 years?

Session 11. Final Exam / Tuesday, May 11     Time: 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM

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