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Class time: 02:30-05:20Th RCH 211
Meeting: By appointment through email - Also, the best times to talk to me are usually right before and right after each class.

This course will be taught from a modular strategic perspective. Each stage/module of the course will make the participants react to strategic marketing stimuli through proactive participation. Students will be encouraged to apply methods and models that call for effective marketing actions that firms practice in the real time environment. Issues such as application of SWOT and PEST & LEC analysis, developing marketing opportunities and strategies, managing the marketing process and channels, delivering practical marketing plans, and analyzing various case studies from Canadian Business, Fortune and Forbes will be important perspectives of the course.

Module Aims & Learning outcomes
On completion of the module participants will be better able to:

- Understand key principles, concepts and terms associated with marketing – including the differences between services and goods marketing
- Understand the concept of the 8 Ps.
- Prepare a marketing plan that links strategy with tactics.
- Understand the core, supplementary and periphery concepts of marketing
- Understand competitive positioning with respect to customers and firms.

Required Text:
GREWAL: MARKETING 1ST CDN ED (available at the UW Book Store).
**Grading Scheme:**

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<th>1. Class Participation (Includes attendance and participating in all activities of the class throughout the term)</th>
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<td><strong>Preparation for Class Discussion/Participation:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>a. Your obligation as a Student in Econ 344:</strong> Develop a <strong>name tag</strong> with your first name (only) written in big letters that will be easy for you to display and for the instructor to see during every class. Class participation is 15% of your grade, and it is your responsibility to make sure that the instructor knows your name. If I do not know you and find you absent I WILL NOT assign the 15% marks. This is also directly related to your attendance in the class room.</td>
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<td><strong>b. Attendance &amp; Assignment Policy:</strong> <strong>STOP!! READ THIS PLEASE.</strong> <strong>Assignments, projects handed in late will not be accepted and a ZERO will be awarded.</strong> Any activity like presentations, debates/surprise product ads missed/absence will also be awarded a <strong>ZERO mark.</strong> Note: All assignments and Projects will be submitted as a hard copy. Electronic copies will not be accepted. <strong>Attendance is compulsory in all sessions.</strong> Any <strong>ONE Class not attended/missed will incur a 2 marks penalty per each class missed out of 100 marks from the course. Random attendance at the discretion of the instructor will be taken.</strong> An exception to the above is only support through valid acceptable medical documentation as per university rules. No other exception will be made or accepted. Please do not bring me notes from parents as they are not acceptable to me.</td>
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<td><strong>c. Review the course outline, all assignments, Project, Assigned Group Magazines (Case Studies) (available on UWACE). UWACE is the primary source for course updates, marking criteria, lecture notes, class cancellations and announcements.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>d. Format:</strong> Classroom activity will consist of lectures, videos, class discussions, in-class interactive exercises and role playing activities based on the assigned readings and case studies. Lectures will refer to, but not review, all material in the textbook. Students are expected to come to class having read all assigned readings (chapters, cases, articles) and ready to share and discuss. Discussions will focus on the application of concepts that are probing, extending and applying the material rather than reading or reviewing.</td>
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<td><strong>e. Group Dynamics</strong> You have been divided into groups for the entire term [The same case study class groups will work on all activities requiring team work]. Group members may divide the responsibility for particular parts of the work and assign a part or parts to individual group members. Team spirit will be under observation. Groups should inform the instructor <strong>EARLY IN THE TERM</strong> if any group member does not adhere to group spirit. As an individual team member, your responsibilities include serving as a team leader and being a team player. If members are not cooperating amongst themselves, the instructor will mediate to solve the issue. If the issue still remains unresolved the instructor will penalize the non cooperating individual to the tune of <strong>10 marks</strong> (out of total 100) provided the rest of the group members give a written consensus note. I am always willing to see my students and will go out of my way to schedule meetings. Please make sure that if you make an appointment that you keep it. (You can email me at anytime).</td>
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Other special considerations or rules Student conduct:

- Disrupting the class by playing with laptops, browsing social media web pages, being sluggish, receiving and taking calls on cell phones and beepers, or engaging in conversations outside of the lecture is strongly discouraged.
- If you have a situation that does not allow you to arrive on time you should inform the course Instructor immediately.
- In any case since Econ 344 is an intensive group activity course I will allow only a 10 minute grace period to enter the class as late comers disrupt the rhythm of the discussion.

2. Assignment #1 - Please see UWACE for Details
   - 15% Individual

3. Assignment #2 - Please see UWACE for Details
   - 15% Individual

4. Theme of the Week
   - a. Summary Posting on UWACE for class
     - 5%
   - b. Presentation
     - 5%
   - Sub Total
     - 10% Group

The group presenting the article is expected to summarize the article and post it on UWACE by THURSDAY Night 11.59 pm each week before their presentation on the Monday. *Groups who fail to post by Tuesday midnight will score a ZERO.* All groups should read the article summary and formulate their questions for the presenting group. The instructor can ask random questions from any group/individual on the assigned article. If a group is found unprepared the instructor will award a 5 marks penalty (out of 100 for the course) to the whole group or individual.

5. Product Debates
   - 10% Group

Product Debates will follow the Theme of the Week. These debates will bring 2 groups face to face every week in a board room setting. The 2 groups are expected to debate for and against the assigned topic. Marks will be awarded on background research, concept application and answering questions. After each debate the Instructor will ask for a vote from the audience who will vote on which groups convinced them the most. Marks will be awarded on how convincing the arguments are and what is the outcome of the class vote. *Groups must use STATISTICAL data to support arguments.*

6. Project
   - 15% Group

Please see Project Sheet on UWACE

7. Project Presentation
   - 10% Group

Please see Project Sheet on UWACE

If you are absent for the Presentation you will also lose all marks for the presentation (i.e. 10% of total 100). Presentations will be made in formal business dress.

8. Surprise Product/Service and Analysis Presentation
   - 10% Group

Each group will come up with a surprise product/service of their own choice from the existing market targeting a specific segment. They will then conduct an exercise amongst the class groups who will try to guess the product/service. After this exercise the assigned group will present an analysis of their product/service. *Groups must use STATISTICAL data to support arguments.* Please see details on UWACE.

Total
- 100%
**Schedule**

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**Reading for discussion**

Chapter 1: Overview of Marketing

Chapter 2: Developing Marketing Strategies

Chapter 3: Ethics and Socially Responsible Marketing

**Reading to underpin the session**

Bottled Water: Commodity or Super Premium

ImaSight – Get Clear

*Case Study:* Ebay: Creating Value in the Market Place

Lee Valley Tools – Delivering Value through Integrated Channels

LuLuLemon: Bare it All, Even If You Don’t Want To!

Boston Consulting Group’s Portfolio Analysis

Kicking Horse Coffee

Virgin Atlantic

*Case Study:* Toronto Football Club: Rebirth to Excitement

Aldo Fights AIDS Globally

Traffic Light Labeling

Fetzer Vineyard’s

Turnitin.com: Plagiarism Prevention

*Case Study:* How Big is Your Footprint?

**Week 2 September 22. Assessing the Market Place & Understanding the Market Place**

**Reading for discussion**

Chapter 4: Analyzing the Marketing Environment

Chapter 5: Marketing Research and Information Systems

Chapter 6: Consumer Behavior

**Reading to underpin the session**

Toyota

Dussault Custom Ink

VOIP

Payday Loans

*Case Study:* Simply Audiobooks

Leger Marketing

RFID

Getting Up Close and Personal with Shoppers

Marketing Research

*Case Study:* Research Boosts lams Sales

H.O.G. Heaven

Expedia

IHate [company].com

Zipcar

*Case Study:* The Smart Car in the USA

**Theme of the Week – Technology: One Hundred Million Android Fans Can't Be Wrong**

Group 10 presents (Fortune – July 04, 2011; P. 93)
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**Reading for discussion**
Chapter 7: Business 2 Business Marketing

**Reading to underpin the session:**
Shepherd Thermoforming
How Does a Doctor Know Best
Putting a Volkswagen Together
Covisint
Case Study: The Tefler School

**Theme of the Week:** Technology @ Work: Can Nokia and Microsoft Win in the Work Place?
Group 9 Presents (Fortune March 21, 2011; P. 48)

**Debate Topic:** Will Android go over well with business users?

**Group 1’s Product – Yes**
**Group 7’s Product _ No,** BlackBerry and Apple will dominate that market

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**Reading for discussion**
Chapter 8: Segmenting, Targeting and Positioning

**Reading to underpin the session:**
Segmenting the Financial Services Market
Internet Based Segmentation
BALMSHELL
Junk Food Wars
Case Study: M&M Meat Shops

**Theme of the Week:** Automobile: Group 8 Presents (The Truth about Toyota. Canadian Business - April 13-26, 2010; p. 28)

**Debate Topic:** Can Nokia and Microsoft Win in the Work Place?

**Group 2’s Product – Yes**
**Group 6’s Product _ No:** Windows’ operating system has "failed to gain traction". The Android operating system should have been an option for Nokia
Week 5
Date October 13
Session Topic Value Creation

Reading for discussion
Chapter 9: Product, Branding, Packaging

Reading to underpin the session:
Branding on the NET
Ambush Marketing
Exploring Virgin territories
What is Behind a Seal of Approval
Case Study: Band Aid®

Reading for discussion
Chapter 10: Developing New Products

Reading to underpin the session:
Consumers – Co-creators of Products
Cosmetic firms and Animal Testing
RIM
Gourmantra
Case Study: IPOD

Reading for discussion
Chapter 11: Services Marketing: The Intangible Product

Reading to underpin the session:
Smile
Self Check-out
Expanding the definition of beauty
Fairmont
Case Study: Canadian Tire

Theme of the Week: Theme of the Week: INVESTMENT: Group 7 Presents (Don’t Call it the Next Tech Bubble Yet, Fortune: July 25, 2011, p. 113).

Debate Topic: Did Toyota Get Smeared?

Group 3’s Product – Yes which was also augmented by their bad marketing
Group 4’s Product _ No, Toyota handled the situation well and recovered in the eyes of its customer segments.
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**Reading for discussion**
Chapter 12: Pricing Concepts and Strategies

**Reading to underpin the session:**
Musicians Look for CYMBALS of Success
ABM Fees
Canadian Internet Pharmacies
Giant Tiger
Case Study: Bizrate vs. Ebay

**Theme of the Week: Self Marketing & Education:** Group 6 Presents (Fortune: It’s True We’re All Snobs, June 13, 2011, p. 28).

**Debate Topic:** Do you think that we are about to witness another dot-com boom and dot-com bust in Social Media?

- **Group 8’s Product – Yes**, From IPOs to funding & acquisitions to evolving business models this market is too hot and will fall.
- **Group 5’s Product _ No**, Many new firms have robust profitable models.

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**Reading for discussion**
Chapter 13: Marketing Channels

Chapter 14: Retailing

**Reading to underpin the session:**
Listing Fees
Integrated Multichannel Retailing
Arctic Glacier
Fire up the Grill
Case Study: Walmart – SCM
Sweatshops
2010 Winter Games
Pete’s Frootique
Muchmusic.com
Case Study: Staples


**Debate Topic:** The Means of Education Credentials have Changed: Your MARKETABILITY is about what school you attend rather then what you did.

- **Group 9’s Product – Yes**
- **Group 10’s Product - No**
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**Reading for discussion**
Chapter 15: Integrated Marketing Communications  
Chapter 16: Advertising Sales Promotion and Personal Selling

**Reading to underpin the session:**
Is it Deceptive to Disguise the Message Sender?  
Ideas that Build Success  
One-to-One Marketing  
A Viral Evolution  
Case Study: DOVE  
Viral Dare  
Seeing RED  
Pop – up Beauty  
Capital Ideas  
Case Study: West49.com

**Theme of the Week:** - Group 4 Presents (Who Will Target Canada Next? Canadian Business, February 28, 2011, p. 26)

**Surprise Product/Service and Analysis Presentation - Groups 1, 2, 3**

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<td>Value Delivery: Designing the Marketing Channel &amp; Supply Chain</td>
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**Reading for discussion**
Chapter 17: Global Marketing

**Reading to underpin the session:**
Globalization
In the eyes of the beholder
MTV
David vs. Goliath
Case Study: IKEA

**Themes of the Week:** Group 3, 2 and 1 Present


**Surprise Product/Service and Analysis Presentation – Groups 4, 5**

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**Surprise Product/Service and Analysis Presentation – 6,7,8,9,10**

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Groups 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10
Important notes:

UWACE: It is expected that students access UWACE throughout the fall 2011 term course period for information on assignments, and for other relevant course material.

Part of the students mark is subjective, which is based on class participation.

Assignments and all other course activity:
Students are expected to check the appropriate UW websites for details concerning any examinations and various course drop deadlines (Please see: [http://www.registrar.uwaterloo.ca/exams/finalexams.html](http://www.registrar.uwaterloo.ca/exams/finalexams.html) and [http://www.quest.uwaterloo.ca/undergraduate/dates.html](http://www.quest.uwaterloo.ca/undergraduate/dates.html) respectively).

Students with disabilities:
Note for students with disabilities: The Office for Persons with Disabilities (OPD), located in Needles Hall, Room 1132, collaborates with all academic departments to arrange appropriate accommodations for students with disabilities without compromising the academic integrity of the curriculum. If you require academic accommodations to lessen the impact of your disability, please register with the OPD at the beginning of each academic term.

Statement regarding travel and the final examination period: Please note that “Student travel plans are not considered acceptable grounds for granting an alternative make up time for any activity. For more information see: [www.registrar.uwaterloo.ca/exams/finalexams.html](http://www.registrar.uwaterloo.ca/exams/finalexams.html)

Audio/video recording: Classes may not be audio or video recorded, unless specified.

Expectation of Academic Integrity:
Academic Integrity: In order to maintain a culture of academic integrity, members of the University of Waterloo community are expected to promote honesty, trust, fairness, respect and responsibility.

Grievance: A student who believes that a decision affecting some aspect of his/her university life has been unfair or unreasonable may have grounds for initiating a grievance. Read Policy #70, Student Petitions and Grievances, Section 4. [http://www.adm.uwaterloo.ca/infosec/Policies/policy70.htm](http://www.adm.uwaterloo.ca/infosec/Policies/policy70.htm)

Discipline: A student is expected to know what constitutes academic integrity, to avoid committing academic offenses, and to take responsibility for his/her actions. A student who is unsure whether an action constitutes an offense, or who needs help in learning how to avoid offenses (e.g., plagiarism, cheating) or about “rules” for group work/collaboration should seek guidance from the course professor, academic advisor, or the Undergraduate Associate Dean. For information on categories of offenses and types of penalties, students should refer to Policy #71, Student Discipline. [http://www.adm.uwaterloo.ca/infosec/Policies/policy71.htm](http://www.adm.uwaterloo.ca/infosec/Policies/policy71.htm)

Students are responsible for understanding the expectations regarding whether any course activity is a group or individual initiative. Unless otherwise indicated the assumption is that course activities are individual efforts that feed into collective group activities.

Appeals: Concerning a decision made under Policy #70 (Student Petitions and Grievances) (other than petitions) or Policy #71 (Student Discipline) a student may appeal the finding, the penalty, or both. A student who believes he/she has a ground for an appeal should refer to Policy #72 (Student Appeals) [http://www.adm.uwaterloo.ca/infosec/Policies/policy72.htm](http://www.adm.uwaterloo.ca/infosec/Policies/policy72.htm).

Avoiding Academic Offences: [www.arts.uwaterloo.ca/arts/ugrad/academic_responsibility.html](http://www.arts.uwaterloo.ca/arts/ugrad/academic_responsibility.html) It is important for students to be aware that one may commit plagiarism inadvertently, through ignorance of appropriate citation methods, so checking this website prior to submitting a paper is to the students advantage.
Additional Readings in Marketing:

**Relevant Journals**
- The Journal of Marketing
- International Journal of Research in Marketing
- The European Journal of Marketing
- Harvard Business Review
- International Marketing review
- International Journal of Advertising
- Journal of Marketing Management
- Journal of Business Research
- Journal of Consumer Research

Along with the assigned readings, you are encouraged to regularly read strategy-related items in the Financial Times, Wall Street Journal and articles in Canadian Business, Economist, Fortune, Forbes.