

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY School of Continuing Studies

BLHS-299: Introduction to Marketing

Dates: 08/28/2019 to 12/20/2019; 8:00 PM - 10:30 PM; Room C126

Location: This course takes place on-site at the Georgetown University School of Continuing Studies' building located at 640 Massachusetts Ave NW, Washington, DC 20001. Additionally, Georgetown University School of Continuing Studies (SCS) uses Canvas as its Learning Management System. To learn more about Canvas, please go through the Canvas Guide for Students.

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Virtual Office Hours: By Appointment

COURSE DESCRIPTION

People often think that marketing is synonymous with advertising — a highly visible activity by which organizations try to persuade customers to buy products and services, maybe even persuade them to buy things they do not really want. However, marketing is much more than advertising, which is just one piece of the puzzle. And even the most skillful marketer cannot make customers buy things they do not want.

Rather, marketing involves ALL the activities that lead up to a purchase—and, one hopes, repurchase—decision. These activities include:

- 1. Identifying customer needs and satisfying these needs with the right offering;
- 2. Assuring availability to customers through the best distribution channels and platforms;
- 3. Using promotional activities to build awareness and motivate purchase; and
- 4. Choosing a suitable price to boost the firm's profitability while also maintaining customer satisfaction.

These decisions—product, place, promotion, and price—often referred to as "The 4 Ps," comprise the marketing mix.

Marketing mix strategies and tactics flow from a rigorous analysis of the company, customers, competitors, collaborators, and overall business context. These are the key activities of marketing

management. They are crucial to the success of a business. Failure to find the right combination of the "mix" may result in product or service failure, leading to loss of revenue, loss of jobs, and economic inefficiency.

The objective of this course is to introduce students to the concepts, analyses, and activities that comprise marketing management and to provide practice in assessing and solving marketing problems. This will be accomplished through a combination of readings, lectures, exercises, case study, and project work. In addition, students will meet learning objectives toward earning a digital technology citation from the Greater Washington Partnership.

COURSE LEARNING OBJECTIVES

By the end of the course, students will be able to:

- 1. Describe and explain "Marketing Mix" and "The 4 Ps."
- 2. **Describe** and **explain** each of the four parts of the marketing mix—product, place, promotion, and price.
- 3. **Describe** how to apply appropriate data, strategies and tactics to each part of the marketing mix to achieve marketing goals.
- 4. **Apply** knowledge gained about the marketing mix to **develop** a real-world marketing plan.

As both pre-requisite and bi-product of these primary learning objectives, students will meet certain digital technology learning objectives. Students will be able to:

- 5. Explain the importance of data and what data represent.
- 6. **Demonstrate** how data can be used to reduce uncertainty and risk related to decisions and decision-making.
- 7. **Perform** basic data manipulation and exploration using appropriate tools and software, including use of key Excel functions-skill.
- 8. Find and access publicly available datasets.
- 9. Conduct ad hoc analysis (summarize, estimate, predict data, use pivot tables).

REQUIRED READINGS

The following is the required reading material for this course:

Kerin, R. A., & Hartley, S. W. (2020). *Marketing: The Core, 8th Edition*. New York, NY: McGraw-Hill Education. ISBN: KERIN CNCT AC MKT 8 2020 9781260483437

Note: This text MUST be purchased or rented in a version that includes access to McGraw Hill Connect. It will be available thorugh two outlets:

- The GU Bookstore: <u>https://georgetown.bncollege.com/webapp/wcs/stores/servlet/TBWizardView?catalog</u> <u>Id=10001&langId=-1&storeId=88131</u>
- Directly from McGraw Hill: <u>https://vimeo.com/album/5316669/video/281874940</u>

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Technical Requirements

As part of your learning experience, you can expect to:

- 1. Communicate via email including sending attachments.
- 2. Navigate the internet using a Web browser.
- 3. Use office applications such as Microsoft Office or Google Docs to create documents.
- 4. Learn how to submit assignments in Canvas.
- 5. Communicate with peers using discussion boards and other platforms.
- 6. Upload and download saved files.
- 7. Have easy access to the Internet.
- 8. Navigate Canvas, including using the email component within Canvas.
- 9. Use a microphone to record audio through your computer.
- 10. Use an internal or external camera to record video through your computer.

In this course we will use VoiceThread, TurnItIn and Zoom.

- VoiceThread is a tool that enables teachers and students to upload and asynchronously present images, video, and/or other media and respond to others presentations with audio, video, and/or text comments. Instructions for VoiceThread are available here.
- TurnItIn is a writing assessment tool that is used to detect plagiarism and allows teachers to provide assignment feedback to students. <u>Instructions for TurnItIn are available here</u>.
- Zoom enables users to conduct synchronous ("real-time") conferences, presentations, lectures, meetings, office hours and group chats via audio, video, text chat and content sharing. <u>Instructions for Zoom are available here</u>.

Computer Requirements

Computer requirements to complete the course are listed by Canvas in the Instructure Guides.

COURSE EXPECTATIONS

Student Expectations

This course consists of 15 weeks. You are expected to do the readings, attend the weekly lectures, and to engage with the course material in depth. Your responsibilities include completing the assignments, and turning in your final project report. Participation is essential to your success in this class. In order to get full credit for participation, you will have to attend and participate in all discussions.

Time Expectations

Students should plan on spending approximately 2-7 hours per week outside of class to complete the work for each week.

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

All students are expected to maintain the highest standards of academic and personal integrity in pursuit of their education at Georgetown. We assume you have read the honor code material located at http://scs.georgetown.edu/academic-affairs/honor-code, and in particular have read the following documents: Honor Council Pamphlet, What is Plagiarism, Sanctioning Guidelines, and Expedited Sanctioning Process. Papers in this course will all be submitted to turnitin.com for checking. Academic dishonesty in any form is a serious offense, and students found in violation are subject to academic penalties that include, but are not limited to, failure of the course, termination from the program, and revocation of degrees already conferred. All students are held to the Honor Code.

The Honor Code pledge follows:

In the pursuit of the high ideals and rigorous standards of academic life, I commit myself to respect and uphold the Georgetown University Honor System: To be honest in any academic endeavor, and To conduct myself honorably, as a responsible member of the Georgetown community, as we live and work together.

Plagiarism

Stealing someone else's work is a terminal offense in the workplace, and it will wreck your career in academia, too. Students are expected to work with integrity and honesty in all their assignments. The Georgetown University Honor System defines plagiarism as "the act of passing off as one's own the ideas or writings of another." More guidance is available through the Gervase Programs. If you have any doubts about plagiarism, paraphrasing, and the need to credit, check out Plagiarism.org.

COURSE ACTIVITIES AND ASSIGNMENTS

Written work is due by the assigned due dates. Follow-ups and class participation are contingent on the timely submission of your initial responses.

Late Submission Policy:

As stated in the <u>Student Handbook</u>, you must notify me and obtain my approval if you are unable to complete any assignment by the published submission deadline. I will gladly consider granting extensions for assignments as long as the request is made at least 24 hours before the due date/time. The request must include the date and time when you intend to submit the assignment. If you fail to give both a date and a time, however, the request will not be honored. However, no late submissions or extensions are available for the last week of class or for any missed lectures. Late responses with no previous arrangements for all assignments will be penalized by 10% for each day or portion of a day that the assignment is late, unless previous arrangements have been made.

Discussions and Assignments

There will be an assignment due every week (including the first session). These are all either Video Case Studies from the text, or Milestones from your Team Project. Completed Team Project papers and presentations are due the final week. In addition, there will be a 7-8 question multiple choice quiz each week on the assigned reading

Daily Discussions

Each week (except for the first and last weeks) there will also be a Daily Discussion (DD). These are class discussions around an article of interest submitted by you or one of your classmates. I will accept one or two (usually one) DD article per week. Students how submit an accepted article will receive 5 extra credit points, up to a maximum of 10 points (two accepted articles). Students who submit an article that follows the submission criteria, but is NOT accepted, will receive 2 extra credit points, up to a maximum of 10 points.

The criteria for DD article submissions are:

- They must be fairly current articles from a publication we can all link to (no paywalls).
- They must relate in some way to the topic of the day's class (though I admit I might occasionally accept a really good one that relates to a previous class topic).
- They must NOT be articles that simply restate info from the text; articles about something that's going on right now, or that offer a different point of view from the text are ones I'm most likely to choose. What's interesting?

To submit a DD article:

- I will set up discussion boards for each week of DDs. Simply post a comment with your submission. That way everyone can see the submissions. Feel free to post comments on them! Go ahead and vote, if you'd like. I might even pay attention.
- With your submission, include answers to the following questions:
 - How does this relate to the day's class topic?
 - What do you find interesting about this article?
- Submissions are due by 8 PM on the Sunday before Monday class (24 hours in advance). This will give me a little time to choose a submission and post it to th class in time for classmembers to read the submission before class.

Where to find DD articles? There are many, many online publications, newsletters and blogs that deal with all facets of marketing. Subscribe to a few (or a lot, all the ones listed below are FREE). Check out a few more each week. Here are some worth a look(Note: soe of these may not have a free newsletter, but do have content you can access for free):

- Chief Content Officer (<u>https://contentmarketinginstitute.com/cco-digital/</u>)
- Digital Doughnut (<u>https://www.digitaldoughnut.com/</u>)
- Marketing Dive (<u>https://www.marketingdive.com/signup/</u>)
- Marketing Profs Today (<u>https://www.marketingprofs.com/newsletters/marketing/</u>)
- Marketo Marketing Blog (<u>https://blog.marketo.com/</u>)
- NewsCred Insights (<u>https://insights.newscred.com/</u>)

- Social Media Examiner (<u>https://www.socialmediaexaminer.com/subscribe/</u>)
- The Daily Carnage (<u>https://carney.co/daily-carnage/</u>)
- Non-Obvious Insights (<u>https://www.rohitbhargava.com/subscribe</u>)
- The Hustle (<u>https://thehustle.co/daily</u>)
- Marketing Week (<u>https://www.marketingweek.com/</u>)
- AdAge (<u>https://adage.com/</u>)
- Business Insider (<u>https://www.businessinsider.com/</u>)
- Seth Godin (https://www.sethgodin.com/)
- Brian Solis (https://www.briansolis.com/)
- Online Media Daily (http://www.mediapost.com/publications/online-mediadaily/#axzz2dlnPqe3z)
- Media Daily News (http://www.mediapost.com/publications/mediadailynews/#axzz2dlnPqe3z)
- Marketing Daily (http://www.mediapost.com/publications/marketingdaily/#axzz2dlnPqe3z)
- Social Media Marketing Daily (http://www.mediapost.com/publications/social-mediamarketing-daily/#axzz2dlnPqe3z)
- Out To Launch (http://www.mediapost.com/publications/out-to-launch/#axzz2dlnPqe3z)
- AdWeek (http://www.adweek.com/)
- Aaker on Brands (http://www.prophet.com/blog/aakeronbrands)
- CopyBlogger (http://www.copyblogger.com/blog/)

Video Case Studies are worth 100 pts., which is 33.3% of the final grade Due: Per Course Schedule

Weekly Quizzes are worth 100 pts., which is 33.3% of the final grade Due: Class Sessions #2 - #14.

Final Project is worth 100 pts., which is 33.3% of the final grade Due: Per Course Schedule

Daily Discussions are worth 10 potential Extra Credit Points

Due: 24 Hours before class, weeks #2 - #14.

Citation Style

This course uses APA style for all writing and research assignments. Resources for this citation style are available through

Georgetown Library Citation Guide

APA Style Guidebook

GRADING

Grading in this course will be determine by the following grading scale:

- A: 93% to 100%
- A-: 90% to 92%
- B+: 87% to 89%
- B: 83% to 86%
- B-: 80% to 82%
- C+: 77% to 79%
- C: 73% to 76%
- C-: 70% to 72%
- D+: 67% to 69%
- D: 63% to 66%
- F: 62% and below

ACCOMMODATIONS

Under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, individuals with disabilities are provided reasonable accommodations to ensure equity and access to programs and facilities. Students are responsible for communicating their needs to the Academic Resource Center, the office that oversees disability support services, (202-687-8354; arc@georgetown.edu;) before the start of classes to allow time to review the documentation and make recommendations for appropriate accommodations. The University is not responsible for making special accommodations for students who have not declared their disabilities and have not requested an accommodation in a timely manner. Also, the University need not modify course or degree requirements considered to be an essential requirement of the program of instruction. For the most current and up-to-date policy information, please refer to the Georgetown University Academic Resource Center website. Students are highly encouraged to discuss the documentation and accommodation process with an Academic Resource Center administrator.

STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

Support Services

SCS offers a variety of support systems for students that can be accessed online, at the School of Continuing Studies downtown location, and on the main Georgetown campus:

- Academic Resource Center
- 202-687-8354 | arc@georgetown.edu
- Counseling and Psychiatric Services
- 202-687-6985
- Institutional Diversity, Equity & Affirmative Action (IDEAA)
- (202) 687-4798

Georgetown Library

Students enrolled in online School of Continuing Studies SCS coursework have access to the University Library System's eResources, including 500+ research databases, 1.5+ million ebooks, and thousands of periodicals and other multimedia files (films, webinars, music, and images). Students can access these resources through the Library's Homepage by using their University username (NetID) and password (this is the same login information used to access email, BlackBoard, etc.). The Library does not mail physical items to students.

SCS students may make an appointment with a librarian to discuss a research topic, develop a search strategy, or examine resources for projects and papers. Librarians offer an overview of and in-depth assistance with important resources for senior or master's theses, dissertations, papers and other types of research. Appointments are conducted using Google Hangout (video-conferencing function) through the Georgetown Gmail System or by telephone. This service is available to currently enrolled students who need assistance with Georgetown-assigned projects and papers. Please review the Services & Resources Guide for Online Students for additional information.

Research Guide

The Bachelor of Liberal Arts program has an extensive online <u>Library Research Guide</u> designed for the subject and research specifications of our program. This Guide will give you direct access to the library resources central to your course research work.

Learning Resources

SCS offers a host of learning resources to its students. Two that you might find particularly helpful in this course are the Writing Center and Refworks.

- The Writing Center offers professional writing support through its online peer tutoring service.
- Refworks is an online research management tool that aids in organizing, storing, and presenting citation sources for papers and projects.

Technical Support

Click on the Help link (on the bottom-left corner in Canvas) to reach Canvas Support, including the Canvas Student Guide and 24 hour Canvas Support Hotline at 855-338-2770.

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COMMUNICATIONS GUIDELINES

Netiquette Guidelines

To promote the highest degree of education possible, we ask each student to respect the opinions and thoughts of other students and be courteous in the way that you choose to express yourself. The topics in this course can be controversial and promote debate. Students should be respectful and considerate of all opinions.

In order for us to have meaningful discussions, we must learn to genuinely try to understand what others are saying and be open-minded about others' opinions. If you want to persuade someone to see things differently, it is much more effective to do so in a polite, non-threatening way rather than to do so antagonistically. Everyone has insights to offer based on his/her experiences, and we can all learn from each other. Civility is essential.

Statement of Student Conduct, Civility, and Engagement

The School of Continuing Studies offers students the opportunity to engage with faculty, staff, and peers in ways that foster intellectual growth and development in their chosen field of study. It is important to recognize that each member of our community brings his or her own values, thoughts, perspectives, and experiences into each interaction. We expect students to behave in a manner that is civil and respectful of others, and appreciate the learning opportunities that come from engaging pluralistic perspectives in a dynamic educational environment.

Engagement within the SCS Georgetown community takes places in on-campus meeting spaces and classrooms, and extends to online learning platforms and forums. Students should be particularly mindful that participation in class discussions, group assignments, emails, blogs, and social media reflect upon them personally, academically, and professionally. All viewpoints, editorials, and opinions expressed by students represent those students exclusively – and not the students' instructors, classmates, academic program, School, or University – even in cases when students are using Georgetown-affiliated systems like email, blogs, and online portfolios. The expectations for respect and civility are consistent for on-campus classes and spaces, as well as cyber, virtual, and online environments. Thus, civility and cybercivility are expected of all students, in all campus spaces. SCS students are expected to adhere to the SCS guidelines for student conduct and the University Code of Student Conduct. In the event that a student's behavior is perceived to fall outside the stated SCS guidelines or may be a violation of the Code of Student Conduct, the matter may be referred to the Office of Student Conduct for further review and possible sanctioning. Such instances can include but are not limited to: disruption of official university functions (including teaching, research, administration), failure to comply with a directive issued by a University official, harassment and bullying, and incivility. For questions regarding the SCS student conduct expectations please review the policy in-full found in the Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies Undergraduate Bulletin. For questions about the Code of Student Conduct, please review the information provided by the Office of Student Conduct.

Communication with Peers

Notifications

In this course we will use Canvas to send email for private messages. You can either check your messages in the Canvas system or set your notifications to your preferred method of contact. Please check your messages at least once per day. When submitting messages, please do the following:

- Put a subject in the subject box that describes the email content with your name and module.
- Do not send messages asking general information about the class, please post those in the General Questions Discussion Board Forum.

Turnaround and Feedback

If you have a concern and send me a message, you can expect a response within one business days. Please allow two business days for assessment submission feedback.

Extreme weather, Emergencies, and Instructional Continuity

During inclement weather or other emergencies on a day when we are scheduled to meet face-toface, check the university's Web site or call (202) 687-7669 for information on whether the university is open. If the university is open, this class will meet. If the university is closed, this class will meet through distance means such as online videoconferencing; check your e-mail for a message from me on how we will proceed in that situation. Due dates for written assignments submitted through Canvas will not be changed due to campus closings.

The university recently has acquired the capability to send text messages and recorded messages about emergencies to cell phones and other mobile devices. Sign up on MyAccess.

Copyright

The materials used in Georgetown University courses ("Course Materials") generally represent the intellectual property of course instructors which may not be disseminated or reproduced in any form for public distribution (e.g., sale, exchange, etc.) without the written permission of the course instructor. Course Materials include all written or electronic documents and materials, including syllabi, current and past examination questions/answers, and presentations such as lectures, videos, PowerPoints, etc., provided by a course instructor. Course Materials may only be used by students enrolled in the course for academic (course-related) purposes.

Published course readings (book chapters, articles, reports, etc.) available in Canvas are copyrighted material. These works are made available to students through licensed databases or fair use. They are protected by copyright law, and may not be further disseminated or reproduced in any form for distribution (e.g., uploading to websites, sale, exchange, etc.) without permission of the copyright owner.

More information about intellectual property and copyright can be found here: <u>https://www.library.georgetown.edu/copyright</u>

More information about computer acceptable use policy and intellectual property can be found here: <u>https://security.georgetown.edu/it-policies-procedures/computer-systems-aup</u>

Policy Accommodating Students' Religious Observances

The following is university policy:

Georgetown University promotes respect for all religions. Any student who is unable to attend classes or to participate in any examination, presentation, or assignment on a given day because of the observance of a major religious holiday or related travel shall be excused and provided with the opportunity to make up, without unreasonable burden, any work that has been missed for this reason and shall not in any other way be penalized for the absence or rescheduled work. Students will remain responsible for all assigned work. Students should notify professors in writing at the beginning of the semester of religious observances that conflict with their classes.

Title IX at Georgetown

https://titleix.georgetown.edu/

Sexual Misconduct

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 ("Title IX") prohibits discrimination based on sex in any educational programs, which includes sexual harassment or any acts of sexual misconduct. Title IX requires the University, upon becoming aware of any incident of sexual harassment and misconduct to respond appropriately to protect and maintain the safety of the University community, including students, faculty, and staff.

Georgetown University prohibits sexual misconduct, including sexual harassment, sexual assault, domestic/dating violence, and stalking.

Discrimination based on sex, including sexual misconduct and discrimination based on pregnancy or parenting status, subverts the University's mission and threatens permanent damage to the educational experience, careers, and well-being of students, faculty, and staff. Please know that as a faculty member I am committed to supporting survivors of sexual misconduct, including relationship violence and sexual assault. However, University policy also requires me to report any disclosures about sexual misconduct to the Title IX Coordinator, whose role is to coordinate the University's response to sexual misconduct.

Georgetown has a number of fully confidential professional resources who can provide support and assistance to survivors of sexual assault and other forms of sexual misconduct. These resources include:

Jen Schweer, MA, LPC Associate Director of Health Education Services for Sexual Assault Response and Prevention (202) 687-0323 jls242@georgetown.edu Erica Shirley Trauma Specialist Counseling and Psychiatric Services (CAPS) (202) 687-6985 els54@georgetown.edu

More information about campus resources and reporting sexual misconduct can be found at:

https://sexualassault.georgetown.edu/get-help

Pregnancy Adjustments and Accommodations

Georgetown University is committed to creating an accessible and inclusive environment for pregnant and parenting students. Students may request adjustments based on general pregnancy needs or accommodations based on a pregnancy-related complication. Specific adjustments will be handled on a case by case basis and will depend on medical need and academic requirements.

Students seeking a pregnancy adjustment or accommodation should follow the process laid out at: <u>https://titleix.georgetown.edu/student-pregnancy</u>.

COURSE SCHEDULE

Week	Date	Module	Торіс	Required Reading	Assignments
1	8/28	Intro	Intro to Intro 2 Marketing/ What is Marketing & How Does it Work?	Kerin/Hartley: Ch. 1	Video Case Study: Chobani
2	9/9	Marketing Strategy	Marketing Strategy/Building a Plan	Kerin/Hartley: Ch. 2 & Appendix A	 Video Case Study: IBM Create Project Teams
3	9/16		The Marketing Environment	Kerin/Hartley: Ch. 3	Video Case Study: Toyota
4	9/23	The Customer	Consumer & Organizational Behavior	 Kerin/Hartley: Ch. 4 & 5 Video Case Study: Trek 	 Video Case Study: Coppertone Teams: Submit Project Proposal
5	9/30		Marketing Research	Kerin/Hartley: Ch. 7	Video Case Study: Carmex (A)
6	10/7		What is STP?	Kerin/Hartley: Ch. 8	Video Case Study: Prince Sports
7	10/14	Product	Product!	 Kerin/Hartley: Ch. 9 Video Case Study: GoPro 	Teams: Submit Situational Analysis
8	10/21		Brand & Product Management	Kerin/Hartley: Ch. 10	Video Case Study: Justin's
9	10/28	Price	Pricing	 Kerin/Hartley: Ch. 11 Video Case Study: Carmex (B) 	Teams: Submit Product Strategy
10	11/4	Place	Marketing Channels/Retail & Wholesale	 Kerin/Hartley: Ch. 12 & 13 Video Case Study: MOA 	Video Case Study: Amazon
11	11/11		Interactive & Multichannel	 Kerin/Hartley: Ch. 14 Video Case Study: Pizza Hut 	Teams: Submit Price Strategy
12	11/18	Promotion	IMC & DM	Kerin/Hartley: Ch. 15	Video Case Study: Taco Bell
13	11/25		Advertising, Sales Promo & PR	 Kerin/Hartley: Ch. 16 Video Case Study: Google 	Teams: Submit Place Strategy
14	12/2		Social & Mobile	Kerin/Hartley: Ch. 17	Video Case Study: Body Glove
15	12/9	Final	Present Marketing Plans		Teams: Submit & Present Marketing Plans