# Grande Prairie Regional College

## **Business Administration**



### Course Outline

# BA 2080 RETAILING AND MERCHANDISING

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TEXT:

Power Retail, Stevenson, L.N., Schlesinger, J.C., Pearce, M.R.,

McGraw-Hill Ryerson Limited, 1999.

SUGGESTED READING: Canadian Retailing, Third Edition, Mason, J.B., Mayer,

M.L., Ezell, H.F., Laroche, M., McDougall, G.H.G., McGraw-Hill

Rycrson Limited, 1997.

Radical Marketing, Hill, Sam, Rifkin, Glenn, HarperCollins

Publishers Inc., 1999.

PREREQUISITE: BA 1090 or consent of instructor.

## COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course examines the field of retailing and merchandising from a practitioner's point of view. Mixing lectures with case studies and the examination of existing retail sites, an understanding of the following concepts is developed: what is retailing, what is merchandising, store layout and design. Some different approaches to retailing, customer services, and entrepreneurship are also discussed. Guest lecturers will be used.

#### COURSE OBJECTIVES:

- To understand the retail customer motives for shopping, the purchase process, influences on the customer.
- To develop the retail strategy and the mindset to go with it.
- To learn and understand about some different approaches to the Retailing.
- To learn how to evaluate strategies.

### ATTENDANCE:

The student is expected to attend classes on a regular basis and contribute to the activities and discussions that take place.

#### MARKS:

Marks will be distributed in the following manner:

Mid term: 30%
Project: 30%
Final Exam: 35%
In Class: 5%
Total: 100%

# PROJECT:

Students will be expected to complete an individual Project that deals with the development of a Retail Strategy for a business. Details will be provided separately. The instructor must approve the Project