GRANDE PRAIRIE REGIONAL COLLEGE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COURSE OUTLINE

F 1988-89

BA 219 - CONSUMER BEHAVIOR

TEXT:

Consumer Behavior and the Practice of Marketing; Kenneth E. Runyon and David Stewart; Merrill Publishing Co., 1987, 3rd Ed.

PREREQUISITE: BA 109 or consent of instructor

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Development of consumer behavior as a theoretical and applied discipline. Demonstration of how application of concepts can help marketer develop more effective marketing strategies. Special emphasis on market introduction of new products. The consumer's key decision-making process is analyzed and a simple theoretical model is developed.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

- 1) To explore models of consumer behavior in depth.
- To synthesize models into workable action plans via case analyses.

GRADING:

Hand In Cases (3 x 15)	45%
Midterm Exam	20%
Final Exam	25%
Class Contribution	1,0%
	100%

N.B. A major project of individual research valued at 30% may be substituted for 2 cases.

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COURSE CONTENT:	Title	Approximate Time	Chapters
	Introduction	1 week	1,2
	Demographic, Economic Situational Factors	2 weeks	3,4,5
	Social Influences	3 weeks	6,7,8,9
	Psychological Processes	3 weeks	10,11,12
	Information Processing	3 weeks	13,14,15,16

Typically, there will be 1 1/2 hours per week of lecture/question and answer. The other 1 1/2 hours will be an in-class case discussion.