GRANDE PRAIRIE REGIONAL COLLEGE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COURSE OUTLINE

BA 219 - CONSUMER BEHAVIOR

TEXT:

Canadian Marketing, Cases & Exercises;

Charles B. Weinberg and Gordon H.G.

McDougall, McGraw-Hill Ryerson Ltd., 1988.

Supporting Software; (available from instructor)

PREREQUISITE: BA 109 or consent of instructor.

COURSE

DESCRIPTION:

The solution to marketing problems rests in sound analysis of consumer behaviour. Using the case method, students will find a practical outlet for quantitative and qualitative consumer analysis tools. Cases will explore both goods and services marketing in industrial and consumer environments.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

 To learn and apply consumer behavior analytical models.

- To solve real marketing problems.
- To improve business writing skills.

GRADING:

Hand in Cases (3 x)	15) 45%
Midterm Case	20%
Final Presentation	(Group) 25%
Class Contribution	10%
	100%

- N.B. 1) Final Case will take the form of an oral presentation and a written hand-in to be done in groups of approximately 5 individuals. It will be presented during the last two class periods.
 - 2) A major project of individual research valued at 30% may be substituted for two cases after consultation with instructor.

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- 3) Late cases will not be graded under any circumstances. There will be no exceptions to this rule. Cases are late as of the <u>beginning</u> of the class in which they are discussed.
- 4) The case method requires each student's active participation in the form of
 - i) response to Instructor's questions
 - ii) voluntary input
 - iii) interaction with other students
 - iv) other newspaper clippings, andecdotes, feedback to instructor etc.

Each student's contribution will be assessed for each class. Attendance is necessary but not sufficient for contribution

COURSE CONTENT:

Week Ending	t	Tuesday	Thursday
Sept.	7		Introduction/ Case Method
Sept.	14	BA 109 Review	#5 V.C.R. (Review Case)
Sept.	21	#2 Windsor Golf (Sample Case)	#10 Coors (Request info needed)
Sept.	28	Volkswagon of America	Film
Oct.	5	#17 Port-a-Pad	Hamilton Power
oct.	12	#40 Grenadier Chocolate	Rockwood Manor
Oct.	19	#11 Hinesbury Mills I	#16 Cinema 5
Oct.	26	#42 Maids, Maids, Maids	MIDTERM
Nov.	2	Debrief Midterm	#16 Nabob
Nov.	9	#46 Lively Arts in Hanson	#27 Zest
Nov.	16	#45 Dominion Motors	#21 Vacouver Public Aquarium
Nov.	23	Film	#44 Arctic Power
Nov.	30	#26 Camp Fortune	Computron
Dec.	7	Frank Borner	Oral Final
Dec.	14	Oral Final	

Please indicate your preference in package by signing below and advising me. First come first served.

Package 1	Package 2	Package 3
Coors Hinesbury Mills Dominion Motors	Volkwagon of America Cinema 5 Vancouver Public Aquarium	Port-a-Pad Maids, Maids, Maids Arctic Power
Package 4	Package 5	Package 6
Hamilton Power Tools Nabob Camp Fortune	Grenadier Chocolate Lively Arts in Hanson Computron	Rockwood Manor Zest Frank Horner
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N.B. Approximately 3.5 weeks apart
Progressively more demanding cases in each package.

Mixture of - small, large companies

services, products

Canadian, foreign

Package 2, 5 have non-profit

Package 1, 5 have Industrial goods