GRANDE PRAIRIE REGIONAL COLLEGE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COURSE OUTLINE

W 1989-90

BA 220 - MARKETING RESEARCH

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TEXT:

Marketing Research in Canada, Rene Y. Darmon, Michel Laroche, K. Lee McGown, Gage Educational Publishing Company, 1989.

PREREQUISITES:

8A 109 Introduction to Marketing

BA 105 Business Mathematics and Statistics

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course will help the student identify, structure and solve marketing problems. Students will learn to evaluate the usefulness of marketing research to help solve specific marketing problems and learn how to design and conduct sound research projects. Using analytical skills and the basic underlying principles, students will be learning how to design a decisional research project.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

- To provide students with a basic understanding of the marketing research process through an applications-oriented approach. The use of numerous practical examples and realistic cases provides a sound framework for learning.
- 11) To provide students with the proper means to obtain sound, accurate information on Canadian markets, and to help them to assess the managerial significance of this information.

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iii;	To develop an understanding of the role of marketing research as a managerial					
	function within the firm, and to assess the relevance and limitations of					
	marketing research to the decision-making process.					

1v) To analyze the various steps involved in the process of obtaining information relevant to decision making, to describe theoretical and practical frameworks for each step of the process, and to assess the usefulness of alternative approaches.

GRADING:

Individual Cases 40% Group Research Project 40% and Presentation Mid-term Exam 20%

COURSE CONTENT:

CHAPTER

			Activities Sept.		
Jan.	3	1.	The Marketing Research Process		
Jan.	10	2.	Marketing Research Within the Marketing Information System		
		3.	Transplanting Marketing Problems into Research Projects		
Jan.	17	4.	The Research Design		
Jan.	24	5.	Internal and External Secondary Data		
		Б.	Primary Data		
Jan.	31	7.	Survey Administration		
Feb.	7	8.	Questionnaire Construction		
		9.	Measurement of Marketing Concepts		
Feb.	14	10.	Sampling		
Feb.	21		Mid-term Exam		
Feb.	28		Winter Break - no class		

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Content Cont'd: Mar. 7 11. Data Analysis: Elementary Statistics

Mar. 14 12. Data Analysis: Introduction to Advanced Statistics

Mar. 21 13. The Research Report.

Mar. 28 14. Advertising Research in Canada

Apr. 4 15. Product Research in Canada

16. Sales and Distribution Research

Apr. 11 Appendix 2 Ethical Issues in Marketing Research in Canada

The above is a guideline and actual course coverage will be dictated by students.

Films, guest speakers, current literature and cases will supplement the text.