IMS 4320 COURSE SYLLABUS

Jindal School of Management - The University of Texas at Dallas

Course Information

Course Number/Section: *IMS 4320* Course Title: International Marketing

Term: Summer 2015

Professor Contact Information: Shawn M. Carraher..... smc130730@utdallas.edu

Sat: 8:30 am to 12:30 pm or so if you want to attend in JSOM 2.107

Office hours between classes [in JSOM 3.621 at X-5877]

Course prerequisites, co-requisites, and/or other restrictions: International Business & Basic Marketing Course Description

Most of the business in the world has some activities spanning across its national borders. Big multinationals at one end with almost every activity with a global touch and small companies at the other end with very few cross-national activities. Where ever your organization stands in the continuum, for many organizations the future lays in being able to understand the global market place and making use of the abundant opportunities it provides. Today's national markets are closely integrated with international markets. This in turn requires special policies, strategies, operational methods, systems and tools. This course aims at providing the basic elements for this purpose. We will look at the international marketing environment.

Student Learning Objectives/Outcomes

1. Students will develop regard for human values and be able to make judgments based on ethical and environmental considerations. 2. Students will recognize multicultural aspects of international societies in which we live, work, and be familiar with knowledge and methods to deal with related problems.

Required Materials

<u>International Marketing</u> 10th Edition by Czinkota & Ronkainen with ISBN 13 of 978-1133627517 [if you choose to not take classroom tests then you don't need this]

You shall also need to purchase access to the **Business Strategy Game** from its publisher [this can't be done until I give you access codes] [plus I haven't yet decided if we'll use this]

Assignments & Academic Calendar

Week	Dates	Chapter	Topics / Assignments / Important Events		
1	5-30		Introduction; Intro. Cont. & BSG Intro.		
2	6-6	1,2,3	Chapters 1, 2, & 3		
3	6-14	4,5,6	Chapters 4, 5, & 6		
4	6-21	7,8	Chapters 7 & 8		
5	6-28	9 & P	Chapters 9, P		
6	7-4	July 4	Work on Participations		
7	7-11	Exam Day	Work on Exam		
8	7-18	13, 14	Chapters 13 & 14		
9	7-25	15, 16	Chapters 15 & 16		
10	8-1	17, 18	Chapters 17 & 18		
11	After 8-1		Grading		

MATERIAL COVERED EACH DAY SHALL CHANGE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE PROFESSOR – ESPECIALLY WHEN IT COMES TO THE GUEST SPEAKERS

Individual Exams

You have a choice of one exam and one project or two projects. If you have concerns about a project please let me know & an alternative might be able to be arranged.

Group Projects

- 1. You will form groups of 1 to 2 people and might work over the course of the semester on the Business Strategy Game. In the business strategy game you and your teammates manage a hypothetical organization for 10 years and complete a 3 year strategic plan for the business. You are competing both with other students in your league as well as individuals from around the world. While there are suggestions for "gaming the system" on-line they don't take in to account that the newest version of the game adjusts itself to how seriously it believes you are playing the game.
- 2. You shall have a research paper on a topic related to international marketing & international business. See below for additional information about this.

Individual Projects

For the exam you answer 4 questions with a minimum of 5000 words. If you choose to not do the exam you do an individual project in which you decide how you would market your self internationally in about 5000 words.

Organizational Project – In a minimum of 3000 words you study an organization that you might want to be employed by or model your own business after. You focus on the strategic and marketing aspects of the business.

Literature Review Paper

You shall review <u>at least</u> 15 peer-reviewed academic articles in an international area in order to examine relationships previously found and write a paper with a <u>minimum</u> of 16 pages [4000 words]. You shall include an extended abstract. After the abstract you shall include an Introduction, a literature review, and suggestions for future research based upon your examination of the literature. Paper should go through two peer review processes. If the paper has fewer than 4000 words or fewer than 15 peer reviewed references it shall be assigned a grade of **0**. Typically it takes around 20 pages with 20 or more peer reviewed papers to earn an A. Unacceptable papers are invited to be revised and resubmitted. It is turned in through e-learning for Turnitin.com and through another site for peer review. In terms of grading if it does not have at least 15 peer reviewed journal articles cited in the paper it receives a 0. If it does not have at least 4000 words it shall receive a 0. After that the paper needs to have at least 3 paragraphs of suggestions for future research in order to be able to receive an A. Please do NOT use any direct quotes.

Outline example of extended abstract:

<u>Purpose</u> – This study examines customer service levels of high tech Chinese entrepreneurs in the health care and hospitality industries utilizing the Big Five Personalities Scale (Korzaan and Boswell, 2008) that includes agreeableness, conscientiousness, emotional stability, extraversion, and openness to experience and compares them to American entrepreneurs in the same fields.

<u>Design/methodology/approach</u> – The data was collected both face-to-face and via survey instrument. Their personalities were assessed via survey instrument while their customer service oriented behaviors were measured face-to-face through direct observation with trained raters.

<u>Findings</u> – The findings showed Implications of anticipating employees' behavioral response, the need to address cultural and social differences, and possible employee reward systems are addressed.

Originality/value/contribution – The current study is original in that it uses multiple methods to collect data allowing for a comparison across industry groups for managers and entrepreneurs within China. Primary data of this type is difficult to obtain in China. We contribute to the literature by showing that different industries may have different requirements in terms of the relationship between personality and customer service levels among managers.

Outline example of paper

<u>Introduction</u> – 2 to 3 paragraphs about why managers would care about the topic.

<u>Literature Review</u> – A couple of paragraphs about the Chinese culture, A couple of paragraphs about the American culture, A couple of paragraphs about health care, A couple of paragraphs about the hospitality industry, A couple of paragraphs about customer service, A paragraph or two about customer service in the health care industry, A paragraph or two about customer service in the hospitality industry, A couple of paragraphs about customer service in China and the USA, A review of any research you can find about customer service in the health care and hospitality industries in China and/or the USA;

<u>Conclusions and Suggestions for future research</u> -3 to 5 paragraphs suggesting future research that you think should be performed and any other conclusions that you can draw.

Works Cited [at least 15 peer-reviewed academic articles from journals]

Grading Policy / Grading Criteria

The following aspects of the course determine your grade. (Scaled score letter equivalent)

Activity Score

Exam 1: 20% [Exam 1 is due July 9] OR Individual International Marketing project

Organizational Project: 20%

Business Strategy Game: 10% and +/- (this kicks in at below a 70% for the GradeToDate) [on-going]

Marketing score on BSG 10% and +/-

Paper: 20% [due July 14]

Participations: 20%

Extra Credit shall be available

Grading Scale

97 - 100	A+	93 - 96.99	A	90 - 92.99	A-			
87 - 89.99	B+	83 - 86.99	В	80 - 82.99	B-			
77 - 79.99	C+	73 - 76.99	C	70 - 72.99	C-			
67 – 67.99	D+	64 - 66.99	D	60 - 63.99	D-			
59.99 and below – F								

Attendance & Participation

Participation is assessed with 8 assessments spaced throughout the semester which are designed to reinforce the learning objectives for the class and provide you with feedback. Attendance is NOT taken.

General Class Policies

Learning is an active process. I believe that it should be transformational. I am a Professor, not a teacher or a lecturer. Please be at each class on time and prepared. Classes will be a combination of lecture, discussion, and exercises – you should actively participate in each part. You are responsible for the assigned readings and what is covered in class.

Common Courtesy: You are expected to be courteous during class time. Please respect your fellow students, professor, and guest speakers and arriving punctually to class. If you have concerns about a project or some other aspect of the class please approach me so that we can work identify and work out a solution.

Academic Honesty: Plagiarism, especially from the web, from portions of papers for other classes, and from any other source is unacceptable and will be dealt with under the university's policy on plagiarism (see general catalog for details). This course will use the resources of turnitin.com, which searches the web for possible plagiarism and is over 90% effective.

Policies and Procedures for Students (Please refer to the below websites)

The University of Texas at Dallas provides a number of policies and procedures designed to provide students with a safe and supportive learning environment. Brief summaries of the policies and procedures are provided for you at http://coursebook.utdallas.edu/syllabus-policies/ and include information about technical support, field trip policies, off-campus activities, student conduct and discipline, academic integrity, copyright infringement, email use, withdrawal from class, student grievance procedures, incomplete grades, and access to Disability Services, and religious holy days.

You may also seek further information at these websites:

Travel and Risk Related Activities: http://policy.utdallas.edu/policy/utdbp3023

Policies - Dean of Students - UT Dallas: http://www.utdallas.edu/deanofstudents/policies/
Fair use of copyrighted materials: http://copyright.lib.utexas.edu/copypol2.html
http://www.utdallas.edu/studentaccess/

NOTE: These descriptions and timelines are subject to change at the discretion of the instructor.