

MKT 3330.5U1 Introduction to Professional Sales Course

Section 52495

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Meetings M 6:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m., JSOM 2.103

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### **General Course Information**

Pre-requisites, Corequisites, & other None restrictions

# **Course Description**

This course is the introduction to professional sales and sales management. It will focus on the fundamentals of building and maintaining mutually beneficial business relationships. Emphasis will be placed on sales skills, such as prospecting, making the sales call, developing compelling presentations, responding to objections, and closing the deal. Additionally, the course will provide insight into channel management such as design, functions, logistics, supply chain and channel relationships.

### **Learning Outcomes**

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

- 1) Identify and personally develop the foundational attributes required to build successful professional selling relationship.
- 2) Identify the tools and methods used by sales professionals to initiate, develop, and enhance customer relationships.
- 3) Experience the process of developing customer relations.

**Required Texts &** Materials

"Sell" 4th Edition by Ingram/ Avila/ Schwepker/ Williams, Southwestern 2013

**Lecture Recordings** 

Any video/audio recording of the class lectures and material could take

place solely after a written permission has been issued by the professor.

# **Assignments & Academic Calendar**

*Tentative Schedule* (subject to change at the discretion of the instructor)

# Please check the E-Learning on regular basis as I update the Calendar portion all the time to put down the exact dates for different assignment and activities.

May 23	Meet and Greet/ Syllabus/ Overview of Personal	
	Selling/ Introduction of Chally Assessment	
May 30	NO CLASS	Memorial Day
June 6	Building Trust and Sales Ethics/ Quiz Ch#1 & 2 due	Ch#1 & 2
	/Case and Role Play discussion/ Salesforce	
	Introduction/ Chally Assessment due	
June 13	Understanding Buyers/ Communication Skills/ Quiz	Ch# 3 & 4
	Ch# 3 & 4 due/ Chally Assessment write up due	
June 20	Strategic Prospecting and Preparing for Sales	Ch# 5
	Dialogue/ Quiz Ch# 5 due/ Role Play	
June 27	Planning Sales Dialogues and Presentations / Quiz	Ch# 6
	Ch#6 due/ Role Play/	
July 4	NO CLASS	Independence Day
July 11	Major Individual Assignment Due: Needs	The videos must be submitted by 11:59
	Assessment Video	p.m.
July 18	Sales Dialogue: Creating and Communicating Value/	Ch# 7
	Quiz Ch#7 due	
July 25	Addressing Concerns and Earning Commitment/	Ch# 8
	Quiz Ch#8 due	
August 1	Closing and Negotiation/ Role Play/ Quiz Ch#9 due	
August 8	Major Individual Assignment Due: Networking	3:30-9:30 PM
	Assignment, a hard copy must be submitted to my	
	office by 7:00 PM / ROOKIE PREVIEW	

## **Course Policies**

Grading (credit) Criteria	Chapter Quizzes Networking Assignments Need Assessment Video Attendance Role Plays/Activities	20% 20% 20% 20% 20%
	Total Points  97.9-100% = A+ 93.9-97.8 % = A	<u>100%</u>

	89.9-93.8% = A-	
	87.9-89.8% = B+ 83.9-87.8% = B 79.9-83.8% = B-  77.9-79.8% = C+ 73.9-77.8% = C 69.9-73.8% = D+ 63.9-67.8% = D 59.9-63.8% = D-  And below 59.9% is failing  Note: Failure to submit a Final Project or Videos will result in an automatic 'F' as a grade for this class.	
Role Plays/ Activities	There are going to be multiple opportunities for Role Plays in class. You are also required to perform number of activities, which combined with role plays will make up 20% of your grade. To get full credit for this portion all assignment must be turned in before the deadline. I will discuss the details for each assignment in class, and adequate amount of time will be given to complete each one. The assignments include, but it is not limited to:  • Professional business card • LinkedIn account • Chally Assessment • Chally written assignment • SalesForce Case SPIN questions • Competitive Analysis All the assignments are due at the beginning of the class; NO late assignment will be accepted. All written assignments must be typed.	
Chapter Quizzes	All chapter quizzes are online and worth 20% of your grade. You will have access to them on eLearning for a specific time frame. When the scheduled quiz time is passed, <u>Absolutely No Make Up Quiz or Extension</u> will be given. You have the opportunity to take 9 quizzes and only 8 of them will be counted towards your quiz grade.	
Major Assignment	A <u>Need Assessment Video</u> worth 20% needs to be submitted by the indicated date. A SalesForce case and rubric will be provided on eLearning. ABSOLUTELY NO LATE VIDEOS WILL BE ACCEPTED. FAILURE TO COMPLETE THIS ASSIGNMENT WILL RESULT IN "F" FOR THE CLASS. <u>Network Development Assignment</u> worth 20% of your total grade. For this project you are required to conduct 5 informal interviews with higher level managers from a targeted industry. This in turn should lead to 1 to 2 mentors in your field of interest. This paper should be no longer than 4 pages typed, and must include a short summary of each interview as well as a page with the	

	Interviewee's business cards. FAILURE TO COMPLETE THIS ASSIGNMENT WILL RESULT IN "F" FOR THE CLASS.		
Rookie Preview	There will be an optional final role play event worth 5%. You will be required to do a live role-play using the SalesForce case provided to a live buyer and live evaluation. Even though, participation for this assignment is voluntary, if you sign up and then do not show up the day of taping 5% will be deducted from your final grade.  These role plays will be graded using National Collectors Sales Competition		
	These role plays will be graded using National Collegiate Sales Competition grading sheet. More details will be provided in a later date.		
Class Attendance and Participation	Attendance is essential and will be taken at the beginning of every single class. Points will be deducted for being tardy. It is 20% of your total grade. A large portion of our class sessions will be either a discussion or a role playing exercises followed by discussion, therefore, attendance and participation is highly encouraged.		
Classroom Citizenship	<ol> <li>Come to class on time.</li> <li>Attend class regularly.</li> <li>Turn of all cell phones.</li> <li>Keep up with the assigned readings.</li> <li>Be polite and respectful to your fellow classmates and your instructor.</li> <li>Participate in class discussions.</li> </ol>		
UT Dallas Syllabus Policies and Procedures	The information contained in the following link constitutes the University's policies and procedures segment of the course syllabus.  Please go to <a href="http://go.utdallas.edw/syllabus-policies">http://go.utdallas.edw/syllabus-policies</a> for these policies.		

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