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CSM501: MARKETING IN CUSTOMER SERVICE

Course Name (English)	MARKETING IN CUSTOMER SERVICE APPROVED		
Course Code	CSM501		
MQF Credit	4		
Course Description	The course is introduced students to the field of services marketing, in response to the global transformation of economies to services. The course also emphasized the key concepts of marketing that are applied towards services, such as the marketing mixes, segmentation, and positioning. Apart from that, the knowledge on service delivery, productive capacity and service environments is useful to manage the link between the customer and the service firm.		
Transferable Skills	Reflective Learner Responsive		
Teaching Methodologies	Lectures, Case Study, Discussion, Presentation		
CLO	CLO1 Explain the foundations of marketing in the context of services industry. CLO2 Analyze the need for market segmentation and positioning. CLO3 Propose the role of marketing mix in the relation to the concept of service delivery, productive capacity and service environments.		
Pre-Requisite Courses	No course recommendations		

Topics

1. Introduction to Service Marketing 1.1) 1.1 What is Marketing?

- 1.2) 1.2 Marketing Management Philosophies
- 1.3) 1.3 Understanding Services 1.4) 1.4 Characteristics of Services

- 1.4) 1.4 Gharacteristics of Gervices1.5) 1.5 Four Broad Categories of Services1.6) 1.6 Service Pose Distinctive Marketing Challenges

- 1.7) 1.7 The Marketing Mix
 1.8) 1.7.1 4Ps: The Traditional Marketing Mix
 1.9) 1.7.2 Expanded Marketing Mix for Services
 1.10) 1.8 A Framework for Developing Effective Service Marketing Strategies

2. Consumer Behavior in a Services Context

- 2.1) 2.1 Pre-Purchase Stage 2.2) 2.2 Service Encounter Stage
- 2.3) 2.3 Post-Purchase Stage

- 3. Positioning Services in Competitive Markets
 3.1) 3.1 Achieve Competitive Advantage Through Focus
- 3.2) 3.2 Market Segmentation
- 3.3) 3.2.1 Requirements to Make Up a Market
- 3.4) 3.2.2 Bases for Segmenting Consumer Markets
 3.5) 3.2.3 Market Segmentation Forms the Basis for Focused Customers
 3.6) 3.3 Service Attributes and Levels

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4. Developing Service Products

- 4.1) 4.1 Service Product
- 4.2) 4.2 The Flower of Service
- 4.3) 4.2.1 Facilitating Supplementary Services
- 4.4) 4.2.2 Enhancing Supplementary Services
- 4.5) 4.3 Branding Service Products and Experiences
- 4.6) 4.4 New Service Development

5. Distributing Service

- 5.1) 5.1 Distribution: Services Context
- 5.2) 5.2 Determining the Type of Contact 5.3) 5.3 Place and Time Decisions
- 5.4) 5.4 Delivering Services in Cyberspace
- 5.5) 5.5 Franchising
- 5.6) 5.6 Distributing Services Internationally

6. Setting Prices and Implementing Revenue Management

- 6.1) 6.1 Objective for Establishing Prices 6.2) 6.2 The Three Foundations of Pricing Strategy
- 6.3) 6.3 Revenue Management
- 6.4) 6.4 Ethical Concerns in Service Pricing
- 6.5) 6.5 Putting Service Pricing Into Practice

7. Promoting Services and Educating Customers

- 7.1) 7.1 The Role of Marketing Communication
- 7.2) 7.2 Challenges of Service Communication
- 7.3) 7.3 Marketing Communications Planning
- 7.4) 7.4 The Marketing Communications Mix 7.5) 7.5 The Role of Corporate Design

8. Designing and Managing Service Process

- 8.1) 8.1 Flowcharting Service Delivery 8.2) 8.2 Service Process Redesign
- 8.3) 8.3 The Customer as Co-Producer 8.4) 8.4 Self-Service Technologies

9. Balancing Demand Against Productive Capacity

- 9.1) 9.1 Fluctuations in Demand Threaten Service Productivity
- 9.2) 9.2 Managing Capacity 9.3) 9.3 Analyze Patterns of Demand
- 9.4) 9.4 Managing Demand
- 9.5) 9.5 Inventory Demand Through Waiting Lines and Queuing Systems 9.6) 9.6 Inventory Demand Through a Reservations System

- **10. Crafting the Service Environment** 10.1) 10.1 Purpose of Service Environments
- 10.2) 10.2 Understanding Customer Responses to Service Environments 10.3) 10.2.1 Response Moderators 10.4) 10.3 Dimensions of the Service Environment

- 10.5) 10.4 Designing an Effective Servicescape

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Assessment Breakdown	%
Continuous Assessment	60.00%
Final Assessment	40.00%

Details of Continuous Assessment				
	Assessment Type	Assessment Description	% of Total Mark	CLO
	Case Study	Case Study Review. Students are required to answer questions based on the case study given.	20%	CLO2
	Group Project	Students are required to choose a service company and analyze based on this criteria, distribution of service, market situation analysis, promoting service, physical environment and SWOT Analysis.	30%	CLO3
	Presentation	Students are required to search any issues/problems/complaints received by the customers/community from any service company and to present the new ideas and innovation by using poster.	10%	CLO3

Reading List	Recommended Text	Jochen Wirtz,Patricia Chew,Christopher H. Lovelock 2017, Essentials of Services Marketing Global Edition, 3rd Ed., Pearson [ISBN: 9781292089959]	
Article/Paper List	This Course does not have any article/paper resources		
Other References	 n/a Lovelock, C., & Patterson, P. 2015, Services Marketing, Pearson Australia n/a Zeithaml, V. A., Bitner, M. J., & Gremler, 2012, Services Marketing, McGra Hill Higher Education n/a Zeithaml, V. A., Bitner, M. J., & Gremler, D. D. 2017, Services Marketing: Integrating Customer Focus Across the Firm, McGraw Hill Education n/a Lovelock, C., & Wirtz, J. 2015, Services Marketing: Global Edition, Pearso Education. n/a Harsh Verma 2012, Services Marketing: Text and Cases, Pearson Education 		

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