

TEACHING GUIDE

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Course objectives

The overall objective of the Course is to introduce students to the marketing decisions within an organization.

To this end, we will train participants to apply the basic concepts and techniques in marketing, so that they become familiar with the duties of a marketing manager. Thus, students will be introduced to the fundamental principles of marketing, to the basic concepts and tools used in marketing, and to the importance of building customer relationship.

More specifically, students will be exposed to the development, evaluation, and implementation of marketing management in a business environment, learning how to develop a marketing plan, including: the firm's operating environment, SWOT analysis, marketing strategy elements (segmentation, targeting, and positioning), and marketing mix (product, price, place, and promotion).

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Methodology

We will assist students in learning how to apply the basic concepts in marketing and to practice making decisions through in-class case analyses.

This Core Course in Marketing has been structured in terms of 10 didactic chapters, corresponding to 60 hours of class (15 weeks x 4 hours = 60 hours).

Evaluation

Assessment to those who sit the exam in June. Student will be required to undertake the following activities:

- ✓ Presentation of a group paper. Consists of making an original marketing plan about an organization, a product or a brand. This group activity (3 or 4 students) represents 20% of the final mark = 2 points.
- ✓ Didactic Sign-posted Examination. Involves undertaking an individual written theory-practical exam concerning the 10 chapters of Marketing, which make the remaining 80% of the student's final mark = 8 points.

Assessment to those who sit the exam in September:

- ✓ Theory-practical Examination which makes up 100% of the final qualification for those students who do not opt for undertaking the exam in June or, having done it, do not pass that exam.