OMBA 5215 (Section – 01)
Creating Value Through Marketing and Operations
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OFFICE HRS: By appointment (e-mail to set up)

MATERIALS: (1) CoursePack [https://hbsp.harvard.edu/import/920936] (required)
(2) Business Model Generation (Osterwalder & Pigneur, 2010), Wiley (required)
(3) GSCM Simulation [https://hbsp.harvard.edu/import/916493] (required)
(4) Articles/readings linked in syllabus to web and digital holdings in Lemieux Library

Goals of Class

• Introduce and explore the fundamental principles of Marketing and Operations, and how these two functions are deeply interconnected.
• Build familiarity with the issues and opportunities likely to arise between Marketing and Operations and how they may be leveraged to advantage for a business.
• Provide exposure to the broad scope of the Business Model and how Value Creation can occur for a business.

Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this course, students should be able to:

• Understand and appreciate how to apply the basic techniques of the Marketing and Operations discipline.
• Assess the likely success of a new business or product line by applying frameworks that consider the organization’s core competencies, competitive threats, and customer wants and needs.
• Identify and articulate ways in which a firm’s operations support its business strategy.
• Demonstrate ways in which operations & supply chain management (SCM) affect sustainability and responsibility.
• Enhance skills in critical thinking.
• Display competence in written, verbal, and visual communication ability, including digital literacy.
  o Demonstrate an awareness of the audience’s needs.
  o Use relevant content to address the topic, using straightforward language.
  o Organize content in a way that is appropriate for the communication medium.

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Final Project: LEAD Assignment 20%
Grading Scale

We will use the following grading scale for all components and for the final grade, but we reserve the right to “curve” as needed in order to benefit students: 94-100% = A (superior), 90-93% = A-, 87-89% = B+, 84-86% = B (good), 80-83% = B-, 77-79% = C+, 74-76% = C (adequate), 70-73% = C-, 67-69% = D+, 64-66% = D (poor), 60-63% = D-, <60% = F (failing).

Readings

- ‘Overview of Marketing Strategy’ (Unpublished Teaching Notes, Carl Obermiller; Seattle University)
- ‘Market Segmentation, Target Market Selection, and Positioning’ (Harvard Business Publishing; Sarvary and Elberse)
- ‘The Marketing Mix’ (Harvard Business Publishing; Shapiro)
- Designing, Managing, and Improving Operations (OMR Reading)
- Process Fundamentals
- Managing Quality with Process Control (OMR Reading)
- Promise of Lean in Healthcare (Touissant & Berry, 2013)
- Supply Chain Management (OMR Reading)
- A More Sustainable Supply Chain (HBR, 2020)
- What’s Your Strategy for Supply Chain Disclosure?
- The Service Activity Sequence in Healthcare
- Health Care’s Service Fanatics
- American Connector (A) case
- Amazon Go case
- Starbucks case
- Twitter case
- Canvas modules

Assignments

Individual Written Reflections: This assignment is to prepare a few thoughtful paragraphs summarizing your responses to the assigned reading or the assigned questions. For summarized readings, rather than covering everything in the reading, we're particularly interested in what jumped out at you (insights, a-ha's, or questions) and/or how you might use what you've learned. Class engagement improves and students overall gain more from the class when they have time to read and reflect on the materials.

Individual Marketing Assignments: For the Starbucks case, you are assigned to provide a Situation and Opportunity Analyses by using the course materials that are covered in the first two modules. For the Twitter case, you are in the role of a senior company manager who is assigned to provide a full Situation Assessment and Action Plan Recommendation to the Board of Directors by using the course materials covered in the five Marketing modules.

Individual American Connector Alignment / BMC: For both ACC and DJC, A) prepare a top-down view/sketch of the layout of the factory, B) complete the template of data for both ACC and DJC and C) complete a business model canvas (BMC) template for each company.
**Paired GSCM Simulation Reflection:** You are allowed to work with one other student and create a single submission for which each student will receive the same score. Your submission should be a written paper (about 750 - 1,000 words). See Canvas assignment for more details.

**Individual Sustainability & Risk in SCM Report:** Select a firm of interest and read their most recent citizenship/social responsibility report and communicate the primary social-, environmental-, and supply chain-related initiatives—as they relate to the firm’s operations and supply chain—underway in the company and the relevant performance outcomes of these initiatives (if they are available). See Canvas assignment for more details.

**Individual Service Activity Sequence:** Map the changes described at the Cleveland Clinic to improve the patient experience onto the Service Activity Sequence (SAS) model.

**Individual LEAD Assignment:** You are assigned to develop a full Business Model Canvas, Situation Analysis, and Action Plan Recommendation to the CEO by using all the course materials, with special attention to the interconnections between Marketing and Operations.

**Class Schedule**

(Subject to change – updates on Canvas)

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• Marketing and Operations  
• What is a Business Model?  
• Business Model Canvas Building Blocks | Business Model Generation (BMG): Pages 1-51  
Module 1 on Canvas | Introductory Video Reflection and Comment |
| **Week 2: Marketing Opportunities and Innovation** | • Situation Analysis  
• Opportunity Analysis  
• Business Model Patterns | BMG: Pages 52-119  
Overview of Marketing Strategy (Obermiller)  
Module 2 on Canvas | Reflection and Comment |
| **Week 3: Buyer/Consumer Dynamics and Marketing Research** | • Different Models of Consumer Decision-Making  
• The Decision-Making Process  
• Marketing Research and Design Techniques | BMG: Pages 124-195  
Consumer Behavior and The Buying Process (Gourville and Norton)  
Module 3 on Canvas | Starbucks Assignment Reflection |
| **Week 4: Marketing Strategy (Segmentation, Targeting, and Positioning)** | • Segmentation, Targeting, and Positioning  
• A Business Model Perspective on Strategy | BMG: Pages 196-239  
Market Segmentation, Target Market Selection, and Positioning (Sarvary and Elberse)  
Module 4 on Canvas | Reflection and Comment |
| **Week 5: Marketing Mix and Marketing Today** | • Marketing Mix  
• Marketing Sustainability  
• Marketing Analytics | The Marketing Mix (Shapiro)  
Module 5 on Canvas | Reflection and Comment |
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**Academic Resources:**
- Library and Learning Commons ([http://www.seattleu.edu/learningcommons/](http://www.seattleu.edu/learningcommons/))
  *(This includes: Learning Assistance Programs, Research [Library] Services, Writing Center, Math Lab)*
- Academic Integrity Tutorial (found on Canvas and SU Online)

**Academic Policies are on the Registrar website:** ([https://www.seattleu.edu/redhawk-axis/academic-policies/](https://www.seattleu.edu/redhawk-axis/academic-policies/))
- Academic Integrity Policy
- Academic Grading Grievance Policy
- Professional Conduct Policy

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If you have, or suspect you may have, a disability that may interfere with your performance as a student in this course and have not yet been assessed by DS, please contact DS staff at DS@seattleu.edu or (206) 296-5740. Disability-based accommodations to course expectations can be made only through this process and must be approved by DS before implemented in a course. We are committed to working with you, so please consider meeting with us to discuss the logistics of implementing any accommodations approved by DS.

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Guidelines for Campus Closure (Unless Otherwise Notified):

Our online classes will continue as scheduled, and you are still expected to do the normal readings and preparation. Reflections, assignments, and other submissions are also expected as normal. In case of major changes in the environmental situation (e.g., weather, natural disaster, health), we will follow guidance from the university administration.

Late Work:

Assignments must be submitted by the set deadlines. Since professors block out times in their schedules specifically for grading your work, the MBA program faculty have established a policy of not accepting late work. We also understand, however, how demanding your work and school and life are as well. As such, we do allow late work to be accepted with a 10%/day grade reduction (including weekends). The deduction will be taken from the maximum number of points available on the assignment. Exceptions or extensions or modifications to these penalties may be made only in the event of rare and extenuating circumstances. Every effort should be made to let your professor(s) know about your extenuating circumstances before the assignment is due.