Brand Management (MKT 724)

Course Overview

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INTRODUCTION

Developing and launching brands is prime focus for all companies nowadays. The course is designed primarily with intention to let students know regarding brands. Brand management is all about managing brands in competitive market where lots of different brands are already playing with the minds of customers. It talks about how brands emerged and how they create awareness and value among customers. With the advent of new technology and changing needs and wants of the customers, compels businesses to manage their brands effectively and efficiently to sustain their position in the market. Thus, strong brands are able to get high market share, competitive edge and have strong roots in the market. Moreover, it will explain about strategies, companies adopt in order to stay in the market.

Target market:

Target market for this course is MS scholars as brand management is specialized course. They need to have brand knowledge, how they get competitive edge and how they play with the minds of the customers, and what are the issues they are facing in competitive environment etc.

Course Synopsis:

The course is designed with intention to develop the understanding regarding brands and primarily brand management. The focus is to sharpen the analytical skills of the students with the teaching of case studies and research articles. It provides insight that how companies play with brands and understanding brand planning and management is the key to success.

Objectives of the course:

- Students knowledge will increase regarding contemporary issues, brands are facing around the world.
- Student's knowledge regarding core concepts will be enhanced.
- Moreover, they will be equipped with the knowledge required for taking competitive decision. Additionally, students' knowledge will increase by attempting GDBs and assignments regarding contemporary issues brands are facing around the world more specifically in Pakistan.

Learning Outcomes:

- Students will acquire knowledge regarding brands and how to manage brand in competitive environment.
- It will make them knowledgeable enough to develop strategies for brands working in Pakistan.
- The case studies and research articles regarding contemporary issues, brands are facing will make them knowledgeable enough to develop strategies for brands working in Pakistan.
- Student's knowledge will be enhanced regarding research papers.
- They will get to know how reflection is written and implications are analyzed of research papers that plays imperative role in conducting new study
- They will have the analytical ability to understand, what brands are doing in the market, and at which stage which strategy should develop and how brands should be positioned to get maximum share of customers.

Course Outline

OBJECTIVE	MODULE	TOPICS	RELEVANT	READING MATERIAL
	PACK		LECTURES	(AVAILABLE IN
				DOWNLOAD SECTION OF
				VULMS)
To understand	Module	Major theme: Brand		Consumer perceptions of
the role and	Pack 1	Fundamentals		cobrands: the role of
importance of		Minor theme:		brand positioning strategies
brand		 Brand Equity 		
fundamentals		 Brand Identity 		
		Brand Image		
		Brand Picture		
		Brand Persona		
		Brand Positioning		
		Communication		
To understand	Module	Major theme: Brand		Category characteristics' effects
the role and	Pack 2	extension		on brand extension attitudes: A
importance of		Minor theme:		research note
brand		• Kinds of		
extension, its kind and model		extensions • Brand		Modeling the brand extensions'
of brand		diversification		influence on brand image
extension		Model of brand		
extension		extension		
To understand	Module	Major theme: Pricing,	21 22 24 25	Online branding
the importance	Pack 3	Advertising and	36, 37, 38	Online branding
of advertising	rack 3	promotion		Branding for digital marketing
and promotion,		Minor theme:		and social media
its campaign		Copy strategy		
and effects of		Advertising		
promotion		campaign		
promotion		 Communication 		
		tools		
		 Co-branding 		
		 Digital branding 		

Recommended Books:

1-Brand Asset Management

Davis (2nd edition)

Scot M. Davis

Wiley, John & Sons, Incorporated

2- Strategic Brand Management (Building, Measuring, and Managing Brand

Equity) Keller (3rd edition)

Kevin Lane Keller

Prentice Hall

3- The New Strategic Brand Management

Kapferer (4th edition)

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Best of Luck!!