

MODULE SPECIFICATION

Part 1: Information							
Module Title	Delivering Customer Requirements						
Module Code	UMKD49-15-M		Level	М			
For implementation from	Septe	September 2018					
UWE Credit Rating	15		ECTS Credit Rating	7.5			
Faculty	Business and Law		Field	Marketing			
Department	BBS:	BBS: Business and Management					
Contributes towards	MSc I	MSc International Management					
Module type:	Stand	Standard					
Pre-requisites		None					
Excluded Combinations		None					
Co- requisites		None					
Module Entry requirements		N/A					

Part 2: Description

You will cover:

Introduction: Fundamental concepts in delivering customer requirements

- Linking Operations and Marketing customers and customer satisfaction
- The marketing concept, marketing orientation
- Operations, transformation, performance objectives, supply chain

Customers and competitors:

- Positioning the organisation to meet customer requirements
- Segmentation, targeting, positioning and cultural factors
- Competition and cooperation in a UK and global context

Developing and delivering products and services

- Products: life-cycle, design and quality
- Product marketing: Transactional marketing & the marketing mix
- Service: the concept, service quality, gap analysis, zone of tolerance
- Service marketing: service oriented thinking, people, process and physical evidence
- Managing operations & business excellence, including total quality management, and lean and agile supply
- Measuring and improving the satisfaction of customers
- · Managing demand and capacity
- Process, layout and volume/variety decisions
- Managing customers across cultures: channels, relationship marketing

Managing the customer strategy

- Operations strategy: PO trade-offs, importance/performance matrix
- Marketing strategy, national and global: –stages of planning, implementation

Learning in the module is achieved through a combination of class-based activity and independent study. The classroom sessions are designed to actively support the development of independent learning strategies by the students. The sessions combine formal lecturing with a wide range of participative activities including case studies, problem-solving activities and group discussion. The sessions require a significant amount of preparation by the students in advance and they are issued with a course handout detailing the overall aims of the module together with expected reading and questions to be addressed.

Students are encouraged to relate the knowledge and skills gained through the course to the working environment in a creative way and to find competent solutions to current issues in delivering customer requirements in both internal and external market contexts. The independent study includes both preparatory reading for class sessions as well as reading that expands and deepens knowledge obtained through the class sessions. Resources such as the University Library will aid learning.

Part 3: Assessment

Assessment Strategy

The vehicle for assessment on this module comprises two elements:

- Component A Journal (60%)
- Component B Individual Report (40%)

Assessment strategy

This assignment is designed to test the following:

- Student's ability to draw on knowledge and understanding of key customer delivery and marketing issues in order to critically evaluate their impact and importance in a relevant contemporary context.
- Student's ability to consider, evaluate and synthesise the relevant service marketing literature and theory as it applies to real world scenarios
- Student's awareness of the subtle and complex marketing dilemmas facing today's globally-oriented companies and markets and their ability to recommend realistic programmes of action
- Student's ability to independently construct and progress a coherently communicated argument.

The task

 The assessment has been designed to give students the opportunity to demonstrate learning in an applied setting. Students will focus on an organisational system or subsystem and appraise how well it Delivers Customer Requirements. Further, they will be able to use their knowledge from the module to aid their analysis and to provide workable recommendations that will enhance the ability of the system or subsystem to Deliver Customer Requirements.

The journal/diary (component A). Students will be expected to record their experiences of the services they encounter (up to 10) from a services marketing and operations perspective. The journal is designed to help students to understand customer service expectations, and why as consumers, we are sometimes satisfied or dissatisfied with the service experience from a marketing and operational perspective. By recording and analysing their experiences, particularly in reference to the theories, tools and techniques of services marketing and operations, students should begin to discover what is truly needed to deliver customer requirements. Students will apply relevant models and theory to the service examples that they record. It is expected that the journal will include details, which reflect the nature of the taught content of the module and will be presented in a diary/reflective journal format.

To ensure that the assessment is the student's own work, the marketing and operations lecturers will dedicate a portion of the lecture contact time each week to discussing the assessment and the student's latest service journal entries. Students will be expected to present their weekly journal entries and explain which services marketing and operations theory are applicable and what they have learnt from the service/s they have observed and recorded that week.

The journal will be a combination of recent engagements at local (Bristol) establishments and international ones. Students will be encouraged to produce photo evidence or a video blog as part of the journal. These measures should mandate originality and prevent re-use among the cohort.

Individual Report 2000 words (Component B). Students will choose two of the service encounters from the reflective diary and provide solutions to the problematic issues they have observed. They will be able to use their knowledge from the module to aid their analysis and to provide workable recommendations that will enhance the ability of the system or subsystem to meet customer needs.

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2. An individual assignment (2000 words)		100%)		
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