

Course Description

MAR4721 | Digital Marketing Strategy | 3.00 credits

Students will learn the process of creating a plan and developing a strategy for promoting a business or organization using digital channels. Students will learn how to apply their knowledge and skills in a marketing campaign project. Students will plan, implement and evaluate a digital marketing campaign using case studies and collaborative projects. Prerequisite: MAR 3803.

Course Competencies

Competency 1: The student will be able to demonstrate a comprehensive understanding of the foundations of digital marketing by:

- 1. Recognizing the fundamental principles of digital marketing and its place in the wider marketing mix
- 2. Developing a thorough understanding of the digital marketing landscape, including key platforms, channels, and technologies

Competency 2: The student will be able to define and describe a digital marketing plan by:

- 1. Defining target audience by identifying who the firm wants to reach with digital marketing efforts
- 2. Describing how firm set marketing goals and conduct research of competition to assess what other businesses in the same industry are doing in terms of digital marketing
- 3. Analyzing a budget to determine how much the firm can afford to spend on digital marketing efforts
- 4. Outlining the content and materials for marketing campaign, such as email templates, landing pages, and social media posts
- 5. Creating a content calendar to plan out the types of content firm needs to create and when to publish the content

Competency 3: The student will be able to create campaign assets for a digital marketing campaign by:

- 1. Developing campaign assets such as email templates, landing pages, and social media posts
- 2. Designing tactics such as email marketing, social media advertising, and content marketing
- 3. Designing digital products and understanding user interface

Competency 4: The student will be able to able to analyze consumer behavior for digital marketing by:

- 1. Identifying target audience and customer segmentation
- 2. Exploring consumer journey and digital marketing funnel
- 3. Interpreting how to use data and customer insights to inform digital marketing strategy
- 4. Utilizing search engine optimization and pay-per-click advertising
- 5. Inspecting the role of social media in digital marketing and how to effectively use it as a marketing channel

Competency 5: The student will be able to assess the role of branding for marketing strategy by:

- 1. Analyzing a brand's unique value proposition, the elements of a brand, including name, logo, and visual identity
- 2. Evaluate steps of maintaining a consistent brand image across different channels and touchpoints
- 3. Investigating the importance of customer experience in branding and how to design customer journeys that align with the brand
- 4. Analyzing the role of market research and customer insights in branding
- 5. Measuring and analyzing the performance of a brand
- 6. Investigating the impact of digital technologies on branding and how to effectively use digital channels to build and maintain a brand

Competency 6: The student will be able to plan a digital marketing campaign launch by:

- 1. Describing steps to launch a marketing campaign
- 2. Reproducing customer journey from multi- channel to omni channel

Competency 7: The student will be able to analyze performance of a digital marketing campaign by:

- 1. Utilizing marketing analytics and performance data to track the effectiveness of the campaign and adjust the strategy as needed
- 2. Reviewing the data and assessing the success of the campaign in terms of the set goals
- 3. Demonstrating how to conduct budget allocations based on optimizing strategies

Learning Outcomes:

- Communicate effectively using listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills
- Use quantitative analytical skills to evaluate and process numerical data
- Solve problems using critical and creative thinking and scientific reasoning
- Formulate strategies to locate, evaluate, and apply information