## **UNIT 1: General Marketing**



## **ESSENTIAL QUESTION**

## **BIG IDEAS**

## What is marketing?

#### Students will:

- Understand foundational knowledge of marketing
- Evaluate how marketing adds value to a business and to the consumer

### **GUIDING QUESTIONS**

#### Content

- What is the concept of marketing and how it relates to business?
- What are the marketing mix, functions of marketing, and marketing utilities?
- What are the basic elements of a target market?

#### Process

- How does marketing integrate within all functions of an organization?
- How do the components of the marketing mix work together?
- O How does a company determine their target market?

#### Reflective

• Why does marketing add value?

## **FOCUS STANDARDS**

#### Benchmark 1.0: Marketing

- 1.1: Recognize the scope and role of marketing in enhancing the welfare of consumers, organizations, and society.
- 1.2: Explain marketing and its importance in a global economy.
- 1.3: Describe marketing functions and related activities.
- 1.5: Identify sources of competitive advantages.
- 1.6: Analyze the components of the consumer decision-making process.
- 1.7: Identify the types of consumer buying decisions and discuss the significance of consumer involvement.
- 1.11: Identify the marketing mix elements (product, price, place, and promotion also known as the 4P's of the marketing mix)
- 1.12: Explain how to identify target markets.
- 4.1: Explain the nature and scope of the pricing function.
- 4.5: Explain the nature and scope of the pricing function.
- 11.1: Explore career opportunities in marketing.

## **UNIT 2: Branding**

## **ESSENTIAL QUESTION**

## **BIG IDEAS**

## What influences your buying decisions?

#### Students will:

- Determine the characteristics of effective branding
- Identify why and how companies protect their brands
- Investigate their own personal brand

## **GUIDING QUESTIONS**

#### Content

- What makes a brand name?
- What are the characteristics of a brand's image and brand promise?
- What branding strategies are commonly used by businesses?

#### Process

- How does branding impact decisions (consumer or company)?
- How does intellectual property protect a brand?

#### Reflective

- Why are some brands more effective than others?
- Why is your online presence a key component of your personal brand?

## **FOCUS STANDARDS**

#### Benchmark Branding

- 7.5: Explain the nature of product/service and corporate branding
- 11.3: Explore the online presence and personal brand of oneself (i.e. the student)
- 11.4: Explore job and career options in relation to developing the student's IPS, personal interest, financial goals and desired lifestyle.

### Digital Marketing

- 1.3: Explore branding as it relates to a business and influence on consumers.
- o 7.0: Understand the importance of brand image
- 7.1: Explore the following terms related to brand: brand, brand name, brand mark/logo, generic brand, brand recognition, brand preference, private/store brand, licensing, consumer psychology.
- 7.2: List the characteristic of a good brand image/
- 7.3: Explain how branding helps consumers and marketers differentiate products.
- 7.4: Explain the difference between brand name and trade name.
- 7.5: List the stage of brand loyalty
- 7.6: Explain the advantage and disadvantages of business and product branding

0	7.7: Discuss the importance of color, emotion, logo, slogan, music, and lighting in customer psychology.

## **UNIT 3: PROFESSIONAL SELLING**

## **ESSENTIAL QUESTION**

## **BIG IDEAS**

## How do you make a sales pitch?

#### Students will:

- Identify the steps of the selling process
- Learn how to tailor a sales presentation to a specific audience
- Develop a professional sales presentation

### **GUIDING QUESTIONS**

#### Content

- What are the steps of the selling process?
- O What is a feature/benefit chart?
- What are the attributes/traits of a successful salesperson?

### Process

- O How is a sales pitch tailored to customer needs & wants?
- How are features and benefits used to sell a product/service?
- o How does a sales executive utilize product/service knowledge to overcome objections?

#### Reflective

- Why is knowing your customer imperative?
- Why are some sales professionals more successful than others?

### **FOCUS STANDARDS**

#### • 7.0 Customer Relations

- 7.1: Explain the nature of positive customer relations
- 7.3: Adapt communication to the cultural and social differences among clients
- 7.4: Interpret business policies to customers/clients

### 8.0 Selling

- o 8.1: Explain the nature and scope of the selling function and process.
- 8.2: Explain the role of customer service as a component of selling relationships.
- 8.3: Explain the key factors in building a clientele.
- o 8.5: Explain business ethics in selling.
- 8.6: Describe the use of technology as the selling function
- 8.8 Acquire product information for use in selling
- o 8.9: Analyze product information to identify product features and benefits.
- o 8.10: Determine customers/client needs.
- 8.11: Recommend specific product.

## **UNIT 4: Product/Service Management**

## **ESSENTIAL QUESTION**

## **BIG IDEAS**

# How does research influence new ideas or change?

#### Students will:

- Identify the stages of the product life cycle
- Recognize the need for market research
- Utilize marketing data to develop new products/services or enhance existing ones.

## **GUIDING QUESTIONS**

#### Content

- What are the stages in the product life cycle?
- What are the various types of market research?
- What is involved in developing/managing a new/existing product/service?

#### Process

- How does a product's location in the life cycle impact the management of the product/service?
- How do you determine which type of research should be conducted?
- o How can marketing data drive product/service management decisions?

#### Reflective

- Why do companies need to continually monitor their product/service life cycle?
- Why do companies invest in market research?

## **FOCUS STANDARDS**

- 3.0 Marketing Information Management
  - o 3.1: Describe the need for marketing information.
  - o 3.2: Explain the nature and scope of the marketing information management function
  - 3.5: Explain the nature of marketing research
  - o 3.7: Describe options businesses use to obtain marketing-research
  - 3.8: Describe the data-collection methods (e.g., observation, mail, telephone, internet, discussion groups, interviews, scanners).
  - o 3.9: Explain techniques for processing marketing information
- 5.0 Product/Service Management
  - o 5.1: Explain the nature and scope of the product/service management function.
  - 5.2: Identify the impact of product life cycles of marketing decisions.
  - o 5.3: Describe the use of technology in the product/service management function.
  - 5.6: Explain the concept of product mix.

- o 5.7: Describe factors used by marketers to position products/services.
- 10.0 Marketing Analytics
  - o 10.1: Explain the terminology and tools of marketing analytics
  - o 10.3: Understand the importance of using data when making decisions in marketing.