

**MINNESOTA WEST COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE
COURSE OUTLINE**

DEPT. SBM

COURSE NO. SBMT1535

NUMBER OF CREDITS: 2

COURSE TITLE: Developing a Marketing Plan

CATALOG DESCRIPTION: This course covers the research, development, and the preparation of a marketing plan for the business. Students will define advertising strategies, budgets, and available media resources, and create a marketing plan for their small business.

AUDIENCE: Small Business Owners & Managers

FULFILLS MN TRANSFER CURRICULUM AREA(S): N/A

PREREQUISITES OR NECESSARY ENTRY SKILLS/KNOWLEDGE: None

LENGTH OF COURSE: Semester

THIS COURSE IS USUALLY OFFERED:

Every other year ☐ fall ☐ spring ☐ summer ☐ undetermined X

Four goals are emphasized in course at Minnesota West Community & Technical College:

1) ACADEMIC CONTENT:

- a. Identify your primary and secondary target markets
- b. Identify and evaluate available media
- c. Identify print, mass media, electronic media, and direct mail components of the plan

2) THINKING SKILLS:

- a. Develop a marketing plan strategy
- b. Compare your business, products, and services to the competition
- c. Analyze business competition
- d. Develop advertising strategy overview
- e. Evaluate business products or services
- f. Prepare media plans, creative strategies, budgets, and promotions
- g. Prepare written advertising and promotions campaign outline

3) COMMUNICATIONS SKILLS:

- a. Conduct primary and secondary research

4) HUMAN DIVERSITY:

- a. Identify any ethnic markets that are present.

TOPICS TO BE COVERED:

- 1) Primary and secondary markets, media, products, services, planning, budgeting, and promotions.

LIST OF EXPECTED COURSE OUTCOMES:

- 1) See above

LEARNING/TEACHING TECHNIQUES used in the course are:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Collaborative Learning | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Problem Solving |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student Presentations | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Interactive Lectures |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Creative Projects | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Individual Coaching |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Films/Videos/Slides |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Demonstrations | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe below) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lab | |

ASSIGNMENTS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR THIS CLASS INCLUDE:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reading | <input type="checkbox"/> Tests | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Individual Projects |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Oral Presentations | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Worksheets | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Collaborative Projects |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Textbook Problems | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Papers | <input type="checkbox"/> Portfolio |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Group Problems | <input type="checkbox"/> Term Paper | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe below) | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Online discussions and chats | | |

EXPECTED STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES: Complete marketing plan

The information in this course outline is subject to revision

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