## **COURSE SPECIFICATION DOCUMENT**

NOTE: ANY CHANGES TO A CSD MUST GO THROUGH ALL OF THE RELEVANT APPROVAL PROCESSES, INCLUDING LTPC.

Academic School/Department: Business and Economics

Programme: BA (Hons) Business Administration Combined

**Studies** 

FHEQ Level: 5

Course Title: Fashion Marketing and Retail

Course Code: MKT 5805

Course Leader: Monica Giovannini

Student Engagement Hours:120Lectures:30Seminar / Tutorials:15Independent / Guided Learning:75

Semester: Fall/Spring/Summer

**Credits:** 12 UK CATS credits

6 ECTS credits
3 US credits

## **Course Description:**

ITALIAN STUDY CENTRES ONLY. This course covers the fundamentals of fashion and the basic principles that govern all fashion movement and change. It examines the history, development, organization and operation of merchandising and marketing activities, trends in industries engaged in producing fashion, purchasing of fashion merchandise, foreign, domestic and local markets, and the distribution and promotion of fashion. Note: This course is cross-referenced against MKT 5405 (offered on the Richmond campus).

Prerequisites: MKT 5200

## Aims and Objectives:

The course aims at exposing students to the many facets of fashion business and making students aware of the real world of the fashion industry. To understand what is fashion and why is it unique. It will review the eeffects of the industrial revolution on production of fashion goods. The Course will explore the principles and theories of fashion and the influences of European and American culture on fashion. It engages with concepts at diverse as market research, knowing the customer, and the 4 Ps of marketing.

## **Programme Outcomes:**

A1, A3, A7 B2 C1, C2 D1, D3

A detailed list of the programme outcomes are found in the Programme Specification. This is located at the Departmental/Schools page of the portal.

## **Learning Outcomes:**

Upon completion of this course, a successful student should be able to

## **Knowledge and Understanding:**

- 1. Understand some of the driving forces in consumer behaviour of fashion
- 2. Identify and explore external factors that impact the fashion industry and the marketing performance of fashion companies in the global context
- 3. Demonstrate the ability to identify the different players and segments of the fashion industry
- 4. Demonstrate an understanding of the supply chain of the fashion industry and asses the importance of the interrelationship of primary, secondary and tertiary segments of the fashion industry.

## **Cognitive Skills:**

- 1. Apply appropriate evaluation techniques and methods in order to support informed decision making and provide coherent recommendations.
- 2. Critically asses the differences in countries environments, and the competitive environment in a global fashion marketing context.

### **Practical and/or Professional Skills:**

1. Develop and deliver coherent and compelling presentations on operations topics to specialist and non-specialist audiences.

## **Key Skills:**

- 1. Source and utilise relevant information from a range of sources to support critical analysis and problem solving.
- 2. Take responsibility for initiating and controlling own work and learning experience, demonstrating a high degree of personal effectiveness in order to manage their own professional development.

#### **Indicative Contents:**

- Introduction and background to the changing global fashion market
- Fashion marketing, management theory and concepts within fashion-related Organizations
- The Fashion Consumer
- Formation and implementation of business strategy within a fashion business context
- Fashion communications in store
- Fashion sourcing, buying and range planning
- Fashion branding Creative branding approaches for the fashion business
- Fashion Merchandising
- Ethical issues and strategies

#### **Assessment:**

This course conforms to the Richmond University Standard Assessment Norms approved at Academic Council on June 28, 2012.

### **Teaching Methods:**

This course conducts an effective and flexible teaching approach in accordance with students' learning progress throughout the semester. Weekly lectures will be engaged to demonstrate essential, sufficient and structured information of each topic. Every lecture slot is followed by one seminar scheduled for group discussions/presentations which are relevant to weekly topics. . Students are strongly encouraged to study reading lists ahead of lectures and preview group exercises ahead of seminars.

## **Bibliography:**

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## Recommended to read:

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Please Note: The core and the reference texts will be reviewed at the time of designing the semester syllabus

# Change Log for this CSD:

Major or Minor Change?	Nature of Change	Date Approved & Approval Body (School or LTPC)	Change Actioned by Academic Registry