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Department of Marketing

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General Information

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Credit points
3

Prerequisites
39cp at 100 level or above

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description
Social marketing integrates marketing concepts with other approaches to influence behaviours that benefit individuals and communities for the greater social good. Guided by ethical principles, social marketing integrates research, best practice, theory, audience and partnership insights, to inform the delivery of competition sensitive and segmented social change programmes that are effective, efficient, equitable and sustainable. Social marketing campaigns tackle challenging health, environmental and social issues such as obesity, smoking, drug abuse, recycling, littering, domestic violence, racism and unsafe driving. This unit develops students’ knowledge of the key principles of social marketing and skills to design a marketing strategy that can support social change efforts. Students learn how to critically analyse, discuss, and evaluate current and historic Australian and international campaigns and use secondary research skills to collect, collate and integrate examples with theory.

Important Academic Dates
Information about important academic dates including deadlines for withdrawing from units are available at https://students.mq.edu.au/important-dates

Learning Outcomes

1. Differentiate between commercial and social marketing and outline the scope of social marketing, seeking out new ideas and opportunities.
2. Demonstrate awareness of social responsibility and become familiar with the range of
issues where social marketing has an impact.
3. Appreciate the characteristics and needs of others in society and understand prospective challenges to social issues including environmental sustainability.
4. Critically analyze, discuss, and evaluate social marketing strategies and use secondary research skills to collect, collate and integrate examples with theory.
5. Demonstrate use of written and oral skills to integrate key social marketing theoretical concepts and to create a coherent and theoretically rigorous argument relating to sustainability concepts.

General Assessment Information

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Assessment Tasks

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Creative Production

Due: From tutorial 3
Weighting: 60%

Task Description:
This assessment targets development of students' critical thinking and problem solving skills and encourages students to:
- Understand the complex nature of contemporary social, environmental and health issues.
- Provide a critical perspective of the academic literature on a topic.
- Construct a sustainable, creative solution in response to the issue.
- Utilise and conform to the principles of academic rigour in the production of an acceptable, formal response to the issue.

Type of Collaboration:
Individual and Group
This Assessment Task relates to the following Learning Outcomes:

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Final Exam

Due: Exam period
Weighting: 40%

Task Description: A final examination is included as an assessment task for this unit to provide assurance that: (i) the product belongs to the student and ii) the student has attained the knowledge and skills tested in the exam.

Type of Collaboration: Individual

Submission: You are expected to present yourself for examination at the time and place designated in the University Examination Timetable

Format: Details given in the Week 13 lecture.

Length: 3 hours
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**Delivery and Resources**

**Lectures and Tutorials:** This unit consists of 3 hours face-to-face teaching per session, one 2 hour lecture and one 1 hour tutorial.

**Required Reading: Textbook** (an electronic pdf version will be made available free of charge on the unit's iLearn website)


**Required Reading: Journal Articles** (students are required to source pdf versions of the following articles from the Macquarie University library)


**Required Viewing:** (links to these videos will be made available on the unit's iLearn website)

- The Story of Stuff with Annie Leonard (http://www.storyofstuff.org/movies-all/story-of-stuff/)
- Drive: The Surprising Truth about What Motivates Us by Dan Pink (http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u6XAPnuFjJc)

**Useful supplementary text on social marketing:** (available on loan from MQ library):


**The timetable for classes** can be found on the University web site at: (http://www.timetables.mq.edu.au/)

**Other Resources** are available on the MKTG309 iLearn website

**Technology Used and Required:** Students are required to have access to a personal computer, use power point, word processing and ilearn.

**Unit Webpage:** Course material is available on the learning management system (iLearn): http://ilearn.mq.edu.au

**Unit Schedule**

For a detailed weekly schedule refer to the iLearn page for this unit which can be found at: https://ilearn.mq.edu.au/login/MQ/

**Policies and Procedures**

Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from Policy Central (https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central). Students should be aware of the following policies in particular with regard to Learning and Teaching:

- Academic Appeals Policy
- Academic Integrity Policy
- Academic Progression Policy
Undergraduate students seeking more policy resources can visit the Student Policy Gateway (https://students.mq.edu.au/support/study/student-policy-gateway). It is your one-stop-shop for the key policies you need to know about throughout your undergraduate student journey.

If you would like to see all the policies relevant to Learning and Teaching visit Policy Central (https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central).

**Student Code of Conduct**

Macquarie University students have a responsibility to be familiar with the Student Code of Conduct: https://students.mq.edu.au/study/getting-started/student-conduct

**Results**

Results published on platform other than eStudent, (eg. iLearn, Coursera etc.) or released directly by your Unit Convenor, are not confirmed as they are subject to final approval by the University. Once approved, final results will be sent to your student email address and will be made available in eStudent. For more information visit ask.mq.edu.au or if you are a Global MBA student contact globalmba.support@mq.edu.au

**Student Support**

Macquarie University provides a range of support services for students. For details, visit http://students.mq.edu.au/support/

**Learning Skills**

Learning Skills (mq.edu.au/learningskills) provides academic writing resources and study strategies to improve your marks and take control of your study.

- **Workshops**
- **StudyWise**
- **Academic Integrity Module for Students**
- **Ask a Learning Adviser**

**Student Enquiry Service**

For all student enquiries, visit Student Connect at ask.mq.edu.au

If you are a Global MBA student contact globalmba.support@mq.edu.au
Equity Support

Students with a disability are encouraged to contact the Disability Service who can provide appropriate help with any issues that arise during their studies.

IT Help

For help with University computer systems and technology, visit http://www.mq.edu.au/about_us/offices_and_units/information_technology/help/.

When using the University's IT, you must adhere to the Acceptable Use of IT Resources Policy. The policy applies to all who connect to the MQ network including students.

Graduate Capabilities

Discipline Specific Knowledge and Skills

Our graduates will take with them the intellectual development, depth and breadth of knowledge, scholarly understanding, and specific subject content in their chosen fields to make them competent and confident in their subject or profession. They will be able to demonstrate, where relevant, professional technical competence and meet professional standards. They will be able to articulate the structure of knowledge of their discipline, be able to adapt discipline-specific knowledge to novel situations, and be able to contribute from their discipline to inter-disciplinary solutions to problems.

This graduate capability is supported by:

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Assessment tasks

- Creative Production
- Final Exam

Critical, Analytical and Integrative Thinking

We want our graduates to be capable of reasoning, questioning and analysing, and to integrate
and synthesise learning and knowledge from a range of sources and environments; to be able to
critique constraints, assumptions and limitations; to be able to think independently and
systemically in relation to scholarly activity, in the workplace, and in the world. We want them to
have a level of scientific and information technology literacy.

This graduate capability is supported by:

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**Problem Solving and Research Capability**

Our graduates should be capable of researching; of analysing, and interpreting and assessing
data and information in various forms; of drawing connections across fields of knowledge; and
they should be able to relate their knowledge to complex situations at work or in the world, in
order to diagnose and solve problems. We want them to have the confidence to take the initiative
in doing so, within an awareness of their own limitations.

This graduate capability is supported by:

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Socially and Environmentally Active and Responsible

We want our graduates to be aware of and have respect for self and others; to be able to work with others as a leader and a team player; to have a sense of connectedness with others and country; and to have a sense of mutual obligation. Our graduates should be informed and active participants in moving society towards sustainability.

This graduate capability is supported by:

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Email Etiquette: About consultation with your tutors and/or unit coordinator/lecturer

Email Etiquette: Consultation with your subject coordinator and/or teachers via email

You must use your formal Macquarie University student email when communicating with teaching staff. Teaching staff will not respond to messages sent from a personal email account.

Your teachers receive a very large number emails each day. Before sending an email to teaching staff please - you must check whether the answer to your enquiry is already contained within the unit guide or the iLearn site for the unit. The vast majority of emails from students to teaching staff relate to information that has already been provided. If you send an email of this type you will not receive a reply. Therefore, you must please carefully read the unit guide and iLearn site before sending a query by email.

In order to enable teaching staff to respond to your emails appropriately and in a timely fashion, students are asked to observe basic requirements of professional communication: Consider what the communication is about

- Is your question addressed elsewhere (e.g. in the unit guide or on the unit iLearn site)?
- Is it something that is better discussed in person or by telephone? This may be the case if your query
research requires a lengthy response or a dialogue in order to address. If so, see consultation times above and/or schedule an appointment or see your tutor/lecturer in class.

- Are you addressing your request to the most appropriate person - please note that teaching staff do not deal with IT or student administration issues?

Specific email title/ header to enable easy identification of subject related/ student emails

- Identify the unit code of the subject you are enquiring about (as your teacher may be involved in more than one subject) in the email header. Add a brief, specific header after the unit code where appropriate

Professional courtesy

- Address your teacher appropriately by name (and formal title if you do not yet know them).
- Use full words (avoid 'text-speak' abbreviations), correct grammar and correct spelling.
- Be respectful and courteous.
- Academics will normally respond within 1-3 days. If the matter is urgent, you may wish to telephone the Teaching Staff whose contact details are given in this subject outline or contacting the Department.
- Please ensure that you include your full name, and identify your seminar or tutorial group in your email so that your teachers know who they are communicating with and can follow-up personally where appropriate.

Research and Practice

- This unit uses research by Macquarie University researchers
- This unit uses research from external sources (see journal article reading list)
- This unit gives you practice in applying research findings in your assignments
- This unit gives you opportunities to conduct your own research