MASTER SYLLABUS

BSAD 411 – Market Research

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A. **TITLE:** Market Research

B. **COURSE NUMBER:** BSAD 411

C. **CREDIT HOURS:** 3

D. **WRITING INTENSIVE COURSE:** No

E. **GER CATEGORY:** NA

F. **SEMESTER(S) OFFERED:** Fall/Spring

G. **COURSE DESCRIPTION:** This course integrates the program material from the BBA in Management into a summative evaluation through company simulation software. Students incorporate knowledge of human resource management, operations management, managerial economics, professional ethics, business strategy, accounting and finance, and management of technology by running a virtual company.

H. **PREREQUISITES/CO-COURSES:**
   Pre-requisites: Math 141 –Statistics and BSAD 203 – Marketing or Permission of Instructor

I. **STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

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<td>a. Compare and contrast what information is needed to conduct market research</td>
<td>1. Critical Thinking and Analytical Competence</td>
<td>2. Critical Thinking (IA)</td>
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<td>c. Manage the data collection for market research projects</td>
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<td>d. Collect market research information through appropriate instruments</td>
<td>1. Critical Thinking and Analytical Competence</td>
<td>5. Industry, Professional, Discipline Specific Knowledge and Skills</td>
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<td>e. Analyze and interpret the marketing research information obtained</td>
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<td>f. Discuss results of market research and implications for the company</td>
<td>2. Communication</td>
<td>1. Communication (W,O)</td>
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| 1 | Communication Skills  
Oral [O], Written [W] |
| 2 | Critical Thinking |
### Critical Analysis [CA], Inquiry & Analysis [IA], Problem Solving [PS]

| 3 | **Foundational Skills**  
|   | Information Management [IM], Quantitative Lit./Reasoning [QTR] |

| 4 | **Social Responsibility**  
|   | Ethical Reasoning [ER], Global Learning [GL], Intercultural Knowledge [IK], Teamwork [T] |

| 5 | **Industry, Professional, Discipline Specific Knowledge and Skills** |

**J.** APPLIED LEARNING COMPONENT:  
Yes X No


**L.** REFERENCES: APA Style Guide

**M.** EQUIPMENT: Technology Enhanced Classroom

**N.** GRADING METHOD: A-F

**O.** MEASUREMENT CRITERIA/METHODS: Quizzes, Case Studies, Exams, Project

**P.** DETAILED COURSE OUTLINE:

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I. The Importance of Market Research
   
   A. The Four P’s of Marketing  
      - Product, Price, Promotion, Advertising
   
   B. Giving Customers What They Want
   
   C. Right Time – Right Product – Right Customer

II. Marketing Research – Design
   
   A. Knowing the Customer  
      1. Finding the Customer  
      2. Humanizing the Customer
   
   B. Knowing the Right Method
      
      1. Sets and Subsets of Sets  
         a. Inference  
         b. Validity  
         c. Reliability
      
      2. The Right Instrument  
         a. Questionnaires  
         b. Focus Groups  
         c. Interviews  
         d. Sampling
3. The Right Statistics
   a. Dependent/Independent Variables
   b. Regression
   c. Errors (Type I, Type II)

4. The Right Method
   a. Qualitative
   b. Quantitative
   c. Combination

C. Understanding the End
   1. Begin with the End in Mind
   2. Determine Market Actions to be Taken as a Result of Market Research

III. Reporting the Results

A. Answering the Right Question
   - How will the company use this information?

B. Powerpoints and Presentations

C. Professionalism