#### **OBU006 – PRINCIPLES OF MARKETING**

**Credit Hours:** 3 Semester Hours

**Pre-Requisite/Co-Requisite:** Microeconomics (OSS004)

Related TAG: Business

#### **General Course Description:**

Marketing activities, analysis, strategies, and decision making in the context of other business functions. Topics include: integration of product, price, promotion, and distribution activities; research and analysis of markets, environments, competition, and customers; market segmentation and selection of target markets; and emphasis on behavior and perspectives of consumers and organizational customers. Planning and decision making for products and services in profit and nonprofit, domestic and global settings.

All Student Learning Outcomes and Body of Knowledge marked with an asterisk (\*) must be met.

Students who successfully complete a Principles of Marketing course are expected to demonstrate all of the following:

- 1. Working knowledge and application of marketing terminology, concepts, activities, and strategies\*;
- 2. Understanding of marketing functions within the organization and external environments and marketing's contributions to organizational attainment of goals and objectives\*;
- 3. Quantitative and qualitative analytical awareness through application of marketing concepts, theories and tools to setting strategies and solving marketing problems\*; and
- 4. Recognition of the importance of creative and critical thinking and written and oral communication in the marketing profession.\*

#### **Body of Knowledge**

The Principles of Marketing course must cover the following thirteen main topics marked with an asterisk (\*); at least seventy percent of the sub-topics under each main topic must be covered:

- 1. Customer-driven marketing concept and activities\*
- 2. Concepts of strategic planning\*

#### 3. Analysis of external environments\*

- Competitive
- Economic
- Political/Legal
- Social/Cultural
- Technological

#### 4. Marketing in domestic and global settings\*

#### 5. Ethical reasoning and social responsibility\*

- Ethical decision making
- Sustainability
- Social responsibility

#### 6. Segmentation analysis, selection of target markets, and positioning\*

# 7. Marketing research\*

- Research of markets, competition, and customers
- Information systems and decision support

#### 8. Consumer and organizational buying behavior\*

- Differences between consumer and organizational markets
- Factors affecting consumer behavior
- Consumer decision process
- Organizational decision process
- Customer relationship management

# 9. Management of product offerings\*

- Characteristics of products
- Product development and management
- Branding
- Packaging
- Value chain

#### 10. Management of services\*

- Market strategies for services
- Characteristics of service
- Non-profit services
- Service quality

## 11. Management of distribution and marketing channels\*

- Roles of wholesalers and distributors
- Retailing
- Supply chain and logistics management
- Electronic channels

## 12. Management of integrated marketing communications\*

- Advertising
- Sales promotion
- Direct marketing
- Digital marketing
- Personal selling and sales management

## 13. Management of pricing decisions\*

- Competitive and economic factors
- Psychological factors
- Cost and profit perspectives
- Pricing strategies

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