CMS 317: Social Media Campaigns

Credit Hours: 3

Scheduled hours per week

Lecture: 3 Lab:0 Other: N/A

Catalog Course Description: Social Media Campaigns engage students in actual social media by conducting original research, constructing a campaign plan, producing original materials for the campaign, and tracking the campaign's success.

Pre-requisites: 217

Co-requisites: N/A

Course Learning Outcomes:

At the conclusion of Jour 317, students should be able to:

- 1. Explore the process of social media campaign creation including early research, organization, and success tracking;
- 2. Learn to plan and implement successful campaign ideas;
- 3. Create a campaign plan for a topic or business;
- 4. Orally and digitally pitch social media campaigns to potential clients;
- 5. Devise a successful plan for promoting the object of the campaign;
- 6. Use segmentation and targeting to reach selected audience,
- 7. Develop skills to manage time and resources over multiple social media platforms;
- 8. Practice many aspects of social media in a business setting including client interaction, community relations, networking, and analytics reporting; and
- 9. Use social media within the classroom to facilitate communication among class members.

Topics to be studied:

- Social media in business
- The necessity of planning in campaign management
- Strategic planning
- The development of a real-time social media campaign
- Oral and digital presentation techniques

Relationship of Course to Discipline Learning Outcomes	
Students will demonstrate an ability to select the appropriate channels to communicate effective messages.	Х
Students will demonstrate an ability to evaluate and critique their own and others' communication.	Х
Students will exhibit strong listening skills.	Χ
Students will demonstrate an ability to produce strategic communication materials that are clear, accurate, thorough, cogent, and fair.	Х
Students will demonstrate an ability to apply communication theory and mass communication principles to real-life situations.	
Students will exhibit creativity and innovation in the delivery of messages.	Х
Students will competently analyze an audience to create effective messages.	

Students will articulate the role of ethics in media and communication.

Relationship of Course to General Education Learning Outcomes:	
Composition and Rhetoric Students illustrate a fundamental understanding of the best	Х
practices of communicating in English and meet the writing standards of their college or	
program-based communication requirements.	
Science & Technology Students successfully apply systematic methods of analysis to the	
natural and physical world, understand scientific knowledge as empirical, and refer to	
data as a basis for conclusions.	
Mathematics & Quantitative Skills Students effectively use quantitative techniques and	
the practical application of numerical, symbolic, or spatial concepts.	
Society, Diversity, & Connections Students demonstrate understanding of and a logical	Χ
ability to successfully analyze human behavior, societal and political organization, or	
communication.	
Human Inquiry & the Past Students interpret historical events or philosophical	Χ
perspectives by identifying patterns, applying analytical reasoning, employing methods	
of critical inquiry, or expanding problem-solving skills.	
The Arts & Creativity Students successfully articulate and apply methods and principles	Χ
of critical and creative inquiry to the production or analysis of works of art.	

Special requirements of the course:

Student must maintain a digital portfolio of all work throughout the semester.

Additional information:

N/A

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Date: 10/15/17 Course Schedule

Dates of Class	Topics to be Covered
	(Proposed Assessment Measures)
	More details provided as the course progresses
Week 1	Syllabi Discussion, Class Overview
	(outline assignment)
Week 2	Non-profit team selection and research
	(Class Participation)
Week 3	Focus group creation
	(Class participation and group work)
Week 4	Focus group
	(Class participation)
Week 5	Determine deliverables for team
	(Class participation)
Week 6	Deliver deliverables to non-profit
	(Class participation and group work)

Channels and users
(Class participation and group work)
Target audience
(Class participation and group work)
SWOT
(Class participation and group work)
Objectives, strategies and tactics
(Class participation and group work)
Event planning
(Class participation and group work)
Competitor profile
(Class participation and group work)
Social media audit
(Class participation and group work)
Group work on presentation
(Class participation and group work)
Group work on presentation
(Presentation)
Presentation rehearsal
(Presentation)
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Formal presentation