Digital Marketing  
(MKT6051)  
Syllabus  
Winter Term 2019_20

Time: Tuesday, 3:30 pm – 6:45 pm  
Room: W4.2.02  
Begin: 1st October 2019  
ECTS-Credits: 3  
Level: Advanced  
Prerequisites: Basic knowledge in Marketing  
Accessibility: Course is voluntary for 3nd semester MBA-IM students and open to international guest students on Master’s and MBA-level

Learning Objectives:

By the end of the course, the participants shall…

- understand the important framework conditions and possibilities in Digital Marketing.  
- have a basic understanding of Digital Marketing.  
- master the relevant vocabulary of Digital Marketing.  
- be able to design a Digital Marketing Strategy on the basis of the instruments discussed.  
- Analyze and identify marketing strategies of real world cases.

Course contributions to the MBA program goals / learning outcomes

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| 1    | Responsible leadership in organizational contexts | 1.1 Knowledge of leadership principles  
1.2 Application of leadership principles  
1.3 Critical reflection of leadership concepts | Understanding of success factors for key Digital Marketing techniques; Critical discussion of benefits and challenges of Digital Marketing. | Discussion within classes, Exam |
| 2    | Creative problem solving skills in a complex business environment | 2.1 Ability to identify, differentiate and classify problems  
2.2 Ability to analyze problems (instrumental competence)  
2.3 Ability to find creative solutions (systemic competence) | | |
## Main course topics:
- Introduction into Digital Marketing
- Areas of application of Digital Marketing
- The Company Website
- Display Advertising
- Affiliate Marketing
- Search Engine Marketing
- Social Media Marketing

## Basic outline and organization:

The course begins with learning sessions. Practical exercises will be used to apply the theoretical frameworks and tools. Group works will be conducted to leverage the knowledge and the diverse backgrounds of the students in class.

Subsequently the course will be divided into two parts. One part will be held by the lecturer providing the theoretical basis and the second part will be held by the students. The students will work in small teams on case studies and present their results in front of the class. Within the case studies the students identify and analyze the Digital Marketing Strategy of a self-chosen company by applying the learned models, frameworks and tools.
In the lecture many topics are only touched upon. Please deepen what you have heard by looking at the internet sources or case studies after the lecture and additionally consulting literature.

Active cooperation in the classroom as well as preparation and follow-up work are elementary components of the teaching and learning concept.

Learning questions will guide you through the material and prepare you for the exam.

**Grading:**

Attendance in the sessions is mandatory. Active participation is expected.

The grading is based on the following components:
- 20 minutes presentation.
- 60 minutes exam.

**Course Material:**

**Basic Reading:**


**Additional Readings:**


Further readings will be sourced from leading industry publications and websites including, but not limited to:

SEOMoz.org
mashable.com
ClickZ.com
eMarketer
forrester.com
contentmarketinginstitute.com
adage.com
adweek.com

**Availability of the lecturer and teaching philosophy:**

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I would like to make an active contribution to successfully advancing your learning progress with the consequence that you can successfully complete the course. In addition to imparting theory and knowledge, I would like to show you the practical significance of the learning contents. In addition, I would like to motivate you to take a critical look at the topics of the lecture and to develop and present your own opinions and approaches to individual media-focused questions and topics and to discuss them with your fellow students and the lecturer in the course.

**Preliminary schedule for MKT6051 – Digital Marketing**

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