DEREE COLLEGE SYLLABUS FOR: MK 4148 RETAIL BUSINESS STRATEGY		
(Updated Spring 2021)	UK LEVEL 6 UK CREDITS: 15 US CREDITS 3/0/3	
PREREQUISITES:	MK 2030 Introduction to Marketing / MK 2030 Fundamentals of Marketing	
CATALOG DESCRIPTION:	Examines the functions and applications of various retail strategy theories in the areas of planning, organizing, staffing, and evaluating. The use of analytical techniques for diagnosing the competitive position of retail-focused strategy, for building the retail brand, and for identifying ways to create economic value for retailers.	
RATIONALE:	Retailing is one of the most important industries with many career opportunities. The module through a simulation game aims to bridge the gap between theory and practice by providing a natural setting for planning, implementation, and evaluation of managing retail operations. It provides the theoretical framework and tools necessary for analysis, evaluation, and retail strategy development to help retail managers improve performance.	
LEARNING OUTCOMES:	<ol> <li>On successful completion of the module, the student should be able to:         <ol> <li>Apply theory and best practices required for managing a retail store.</li> <li>Demonstrate understanding of the tools for making retail decisions, considering internal and external conditions in which the firm operates.</li> <li>Acquire conceptual knowledge and analytical skills to systematically analyze and solve retail.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Develop retail strategies to sustain growth and improve the overall retail performance.</li> <li>Select appropriate metrics to measure the effectiveness of different retail decisions.</li> </ol>	
METHOD OF TEACHING AND LEARNING:	In congruence with the teaching and learning strategy of the college, the following tools are used:  Class lectures complemented by extensive use of examples from the local and international retail business environment to highlight the application of key retail concepts.  Computer Simulation Game: to enhance student's analytical skills and ability to synthesize learning in a highly competitive retail environment. The game allows students to grasp a holistic understanding of the retail business operation through managing a store in a	

competitive environment. They will be responsible for the overall business performance including sales, marketing, products, finance, staff, stock management. Student performance is assessed in terms of business growth, satisfying their retail customers, and responding to competitor moves throughout the game. market share and profit achievement. Advances teamwork skills.

- Office Hours: Students are encouraged to make full use of the office hours of their instructor, where they can ask questions and go over lecture material and consult on the simulation.
- Use of a Blackboard learning platform, where instructors post lecture notes, assignment instructions, timely announcements, as well as additional resources.

## **ASSESSMENT:**

#### Summative:

1 <sup>st</sup> Assessment Midterm Examination	Essay-type questions, short case	20%
2 <sup>nd</sup> Assessment Coursework	Group coursework – integration and written report: 40/60 Word count: 2.400-2.500 Individual coursework - presentation: 40/60	80%

### Formative:

Coursework	Readings on retailing which aim to
	prepare students for the two
	summative assessments

The 1<sup>st</sup> assessment aims to provide students with a theoretical background.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> assessment involves two parts, the group project, and the individual presentation. In the group project, they will report their overall store performance. The individual is a presentation on their retail store performance.

The formative coursework aims to prepare students for the examination and the project.

The 1st Assessment tests Learning Outcomes 2, 3, 5, The 2nd assessment tests all Learning Outcomes 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 with emphasis placed on 1 and 4.

Students are required to resit failed assessments in this module.

## **INDICATIVE READING:**

#### **REQUIRED MATERIAL:**

Levy and Weitz. <u>Retailing Management.</u> Irwin/McGraw-Hill, the latest edition

# RECOMMENDED READING: BOOKS

Berman and Evans, "Retail Management: A Strategic Approach" Prentice-Hall. Tenth Edition

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INDICATIVE MATERIAL: (e.g. audiovisual, digital material, etc.)	N/A
COMMUNICATION REQUIREMENTS:	Use of appropriate academic conventions as applicable in oral and written communications
SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS:	Blackboard, MS Office, search engines, The Web based simulation
WWW RESOURCES:	www.retailwire.com www.internetretailer.com www.risnews.com www.rfidjournal.com www.vendormanagedinventory.com/index.php
INDICATIVE CONTENT:	<ol> <li>Introduction to Retailing</li> <li>The Retail Customer Behavior</li> <li>Electronic and Non-Store Retailing</li> <li>Store Retailing</li> <li>Retail Market Strategy</li> <li>Retail Financial Strategy</li> <li>Store Management</li> <li>Merchandise Management</li> </ol>