**MEJO 137.5: Principles of Advertising & Public Relations**

School of Media and Journalism

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

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Carroll 143

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**Course Description**

This course introduces you to the fields of advertising and public relations along with important concepts concerning effective advertising and public relations practices. This course will provide you with a solid foundation for understanding both disciplines, including historical development, issues and controversies, best practices, job opportunities and components of successful advertising and public relations campaigns.

**Learning Objectives**

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:

1. Determine whether a career in advertising or public relations is right for you.
2. Examine the role and function of advertising and public relations in business, nonprofits and government.
3. Understand the basic components of advertising and public relations process that include publics, research, planning, goals and objectives, strategies, messages, media, issues management and tactics.
4. Explore the foundations of advertising and public relations including each profession's unique role in fueling brand movements, the history and structure of the industry and how people respond to strategic communication messages.
5. Understand the transformation that has taken place in the strategic communication industry driven by digital and social technology and engagement.

**ACEJMC Accreditation Core Values and Competencies by this course**

1. Demonstrate an understanding of professional ethical principles and work ethically in pursuit of truth, accuracy, fairness and diversity
2. Understand concepts and apply theories in the use and presentation of images and information
3. Think critically, creatively and independently
4. Apply tools and technologies appropriate for the communication professions in which they work
5. Demonstrate an understanding of the diversity of peoples and cultures and of the significance and impact of mass communications in a global society

**Required Text**

Broom, G. M. & Sha, B. (2013). **Cultip & Center’s Effective public relations**, **11th ed**. Upper Saddle River, NJ: Pearson.

(Ebook available at <http://www.mypearsonstore.com/bookstore/cutlip-and-centers-effective-public-relations-subscription-9780133800821?xid=PSED>)

Hackley, C., & Hackley, R. A. (2018). **Advertising and Promotion, 4th ed.** Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

**Prerequisites**

None

**Evaluation**

The evaluation of coursework will be based on the following percentages:

Public Relations (45%)

Exam I 22.5% (225 pts)

Exam II 22.5% (225 pts)

Advertising (45%)

Exam I 22.5% (225 pts)

Exam II 22.5% (225 pts)

Class Participation 5% (50 pts)

Research Participation Requirement (5%)

5%=Completing all 3 studies/ 3 two page articles reviews

3.33%=Completing 2 studies/ 2 two page articles reviews

1.66%=Completing 1 study/ 1 two page articles review

0.83%=Completing .5 study/ 1 one page articles review

**Grading scale**

A 95.00-100

A- 93.00-94.99

B+ 90.00-92.99

B 83.00-89.99

B- 80.00-82.99

C+ 77.00-79.99

C 73.00-76.99

C- 70.00-72.99

D+ 67.00-69.99

D 60.00-66.99

F Below 60.00

**Attendance**

Attendance is expected, and you are responsible for all announcements and schedule changes made in class. There is no substitute for attending class, participating, listening, and taking notes. **Attendance will be monitored, and the instructors reserve the right to lower the course grade for students with a pattern of excessive absences (more than four during the semester). Please note that you have four absences for the entire semester. Professors combine your attendance record at the end of the semester. If you miss more than four, your final grade will be reduced a letter grade (or 10%).** If you are absent, it is your responsibility to acquire notes from classmates; the instructors will not provide notes outside of regular class time.

**Exams**

The exams will consist of multiple-choice questions, open-end questions, and/or other types. Textbooks, readings, in-class discussions, and guest lectures will be covered in the exams. NOTE: You must take notes in class as the content expands beyond the lecture slides.

**Missed Exams**

If you miss an exam without an acceptable medical or legal reason provided *in advance*, or documentation after an illness or emergency, you will receive a grade of zero. Make-up exams are not curved. If you know you will miss an exam, it is in your interest to inform the instructor of your situation as soon as you are aware of it.

**Class Participation**

This consists of in-class discussion, quizzes, and activities.

**Research Participation Requirement**

Students in MEJO 137 are required to complete three hours of research over the course of the semester. There are three ways you can fulfill the research requirement.

First, you can participate in three hours of academic research studies in the School of Media and Journalism. Participating in studies is a valuable way for you to receive firsthand experience with research. If you are enrolled in another class that has a research requirement, it may also satisfy the research requirement for this course. If you have questions about the subject pool participation, please contact Professor Joe Bob Hester (joe.bob.hester@unc.edu). **You must fulfill your participation in a research study by December 4, 2019 at 5 p.m.**

Second, you can write three two-page summaries and critiques of academic research articles. Each review counts for one hour of research participation, so you can combine participation in the studies with article reviews to fulfill the research requirement. You may summarize any research article published in the past two years in the following journals: *Journal of Advertising, Journal of Public Relations Research, Journalism & Mass Communication Quarterly, Public Relations Review,* or *Mass Communication and Society*. You must identify the author, date, article title, and journal title on each of your summaries. **Article summaries are due on December 4, 2019 at 5 p.m.**

Third, if you would like to get your research participation completed early, course instructors may have some research projects that you can participate in. You will be expected to contribute for one hour to receive one research credit, two hours to receive two research credits, and three hours to receive three research credits. Should your work end at the half hour, you will receive a half credit. Unfortunately, this option does not transfer to other classes or professors in the MJ-School.

**Honor Code**

The Honor Code, embodying the ideals of academic honesty, integrity and responsible citizenship, has governed the performance of all academic work and student conduct at the University for 125 years. Your acceptance of enrollment in the University presupposes a commitment to the principles embodied in this code and a respect for this most significant University tradition. Your participation in this course comes with the expectation that your work will be completed in full observance of the Honor Code. For more information, go here: honor.unc.edu.

**Student Accommodations**

If you need accommodations to participate in this course, please let the instructor know as soon as possible. If you need information about accommodations visit the Accessibility Services website at accessibility.unc.edu.

**Diversity**

The University’s policy statements on Equal Employment Opportunity and Nondiscrimination are outlined at http://policy.sites.unc.edu/files/2013/04/nondiscrim.pdf. In summary, UNC does not discriminate in offering access to its educational programs and activities on the basis of age, gender, race, color, national origin, religion, creed, disability, veteran’s status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression or disabilities.

**Harassment**

UNC does not tolerate harassment based on gender, race, religion, sexual orientation, culture, disability, or for any other reason. It is also a violation of the Honor Code and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act (1964) and Title IX of the Educational Amendments. If you need assistance with a harassment issue or problem, bring it to my attention or The Office of the Dean of Students, dos@unc.edu or 919.966.4042.

**Use of Laptops and Other Technology**

You are required bring your laptops or tablets for class participation, lecture quizzes, note-taking, research, and other work as assigned in class. However, to minimize distractions, please do not use your laptop for non-class activities (e.g. Facebook, iMessage, etc.). You should not be on your phone during class for non-lecture related activities. Please consult with the professor if you are recording the lectures.

**Form**

All writing assignments should be (1) submitted on letter size paper; (2) printed on one side of the page only; (3) prepared in a Times New Roman 12-point typeface; and (4) one inch margin at all sides, and (5) double-spaced.

**Course Schedule**

The following is a tentative outline of topics over the course of the semester and is subject to change.

**Week 1 (August 23): PR Class 1**

Chapter 1: Introduction to Contemporary PR

Chapters 2 & 3: Practitioners and Organizational Setting

**Week 2 (August 30): PR Class 2**

Chapter 4: History and Evolution

Chapter 5: Professionalism and Ethics

**Week 3 (September 6): PR Class 3**

Chapter 6: Legal Consideration

**PR Exam I**

**Week 4 (September 13): PR Class 4**

Chapter 7 & 8: Theoretical Thinking and Strategy

Chapter 9: Internal Relations

**Week 5 (September 20): PR Class 5**

Chapter 10: Media Relations and Social Media

**Week 6 (September 27): PR Class 6**

Chapter 15: Crisis Communication & CSR

**Week 7 (October 4): AD Class 1**

Chapter 1: Advertising and Promotion under Convergence

**Week 8 (October 11): PR Exam II**

**Week 9 (October 18): Fall Break (No Class)**

**Week 10 (October 25): AD Class 2**

Chapter 2: Advertising Theory

Chapter 3: Branding and Promotional Communication

**Week 11 (November 1): AD Class 3**

Chapter 4: Creative Agency Model

Chapter 5: Strategy and Creativity

**Week 12 (November 8): AD Class 4**

Chapter 6: Media Planning

Chapter 7: Non-Advertising Promotion

**Week 13 (November 15): AD Class 5**

Chapter 8: Global Advertising

Chapter 9: Ethics and Regulation for Advertising

**Week 14 (November 22): AD Class 6**

**AD Exam I**

**Week 15 (November 29): Thanksgiving Recess (No Class)**

**Week 16 (December 9): Final Exam (Monday 12:00 p.m.)**