

BERJAYA SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION & MEDIA ARTS Faculty of Liberal Arts

FINAL EXAMINATION (ONLINE)

Course Code & Name : COM 2414 Brand Identity & Positioning

Trimester & Year : January – April 2022

Lecturer/Examiner : Steven K C Poh

Duration : 3 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- This online exam will require you to answer all **FIVE** (5) structured questions in Part A and all **TWO** (2) essay questions in Part B.
- An extra 15 minutes will be provided for you to save and submit your work online.
- Your answers must be clear and concise and your entire submission must not exceed a maximum of 2,000 words while using double spacing.
- This is an online examination and it should be completed independently, without discussion with other students or individuals.
- Use your own words or change 2 or 3 words in the sentence in the lecture notes when explaining or defining concepts/theories/models in your answers.
- Always use your own examples and show how they would apply. Just listing an example (e.g., iPhone 12 promotion) is not enough.
- Always support or defend your claim/position adequately.

Total Number of pages = 3 (Including the cover page)

PART A : FIVE (5) STRUCTURED QUESTIONS (50 MARKS)

INSTRUCTION: Answer ALL questions.

QUESTION 1

Identify and explain each of the **NINE** (9) brand identity ideals.

(18 marks)

QUESTION 2

Discuss the **FOUR** (4) differences between a word mark and an emblem when it comes to logo design. (8 marks)

QUESTION 3

Discuss the FIVE (5) reasons why brand managers and film studios would want to use product placements. Use relevant examples to support your answer. (10 marks)

QUESTION 4

Discuss the **FOUR** (4) differences that exist between an Endorsed Brand Architecture and a Pluralistic Brand Architecture. (8 marks)

QUESTION 5

- (a) Line extensions and category extensions are **TWO** (2) main types of brand extension strategies. Briefly explain what each of them mean and provide an example too support your answer. (4 marks)
- (b) In what situation would a category extension be a preferable to brand extension strategy? Provide an example in your answer. (2 marks)

(END OF PART A)

PART B : TWO (2) ESSAY QUESTIONS (50 MARKS)

INSTRUCTION : Answer ALL questions.

QUESTION 1

Brand managers can measure outcomes of brand equity using either the comparative method or holistic method. Explain what these **TWO** (2) methods are and the different approaches available in each method to effectively measure brand equity. Use **ONE** (1) example to illustrate each approach. (24 marks)

QUESTION 2

You are a marketing executive tasked to lead in one of your company's product development initiatives. Your job is to identify a gap in the market of a specific product category as part of your brand's unique market positioning strategy. Choose or create a hypothetical brand.

(Total 26 marks)

- (a) Provide **TWO** (2) explanations on what a positioning map is and provide **TWO** (2) ways it can be useful to your marketing team members. (4 marks)
- (b) What are the **THREE** (3) main types of salient brand attributes that can be used to represent each dimension of positioning map? (3 marks)
- (c) Describe the product category of your choice and provide **TWO** (2) salient brand attributes you will use for your positioning map. (4 marks)
- (d) Based on your answer in (c), provide **TWO** (2) reasons why you have chosen those salient brand attributes. (4 marks)
- (e) Draw a positioning map that indicates unique market position you wish to occupy with your brand and provide at least **THREE** (3) relevant competitors on the map. (6 marks)
- (f) Explain the unique marketing position that your brand wishes to occupy. (3 marks)
- (g) Based on your previous answer, describe your potential target audience.

(2 marks)

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