WOLF PACT

Protecting the integrity of a degree from the Richards College of Business at the University of West Georgia is the responsibility of the administration, faculty, staff, and students of the college. Our mission is “To become a globally recognized college of business preparing forward-thinking, responsible leaders.” Responsible leaders are ethical leaders, and this behavior begins in the classroom. One of our Strategic Goals is to demonstrate “…commitment to the principles of honesty and integrity in interactions and undertakings, [and] accountability for personal behavior…” As such, we have developed the Wolf Pact in an effort to promote and maintain the highest standards of integrity, professional behavior, ethical actions, and personal conduct.

The purpose of this pact is to maintain that a degree from the Richards College of Business at the University of West Georgia is held in high regard by all internal and external constituents, and that a degree from the University of West Georgia is as meaningful in the future as it is today.

I have reviewed the information in this syllabus, and I agree to abide by the policies stated. I will conduct myself in accordance with the RCOB Wolf Pact to protect the integrity of my degree and all those others who receive a degree from the Richards College.

Signature: ________________________________

917#: ________________________________

Date: ________________________________

WOLF PACT / VERIFICATION QUIZ CAN BE FOUND IN COURSEDEN AND MUST BE COMPLETED BY AUGUST 22, 2019:
INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION

NAME:
Simone L. Lee, MBA

OFFICE LOCATION:
Miller 2311

OFFICE HOURS:
Tuesday and Thursday 8:00-9:30 AM, 11:00-12:15 PM or by appointment. Appointments are strongly encouraged.

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Communication Preference: I prefer for you to contact me using your UWG email.

COURSE INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION
This is a study of administration and strategic planning in large and small retail firms. This course looks at the management of retail functions. The topics covered include stock planning, inventory control, markup and pricing, merchandising, retail promotion, store location, design and layout, information systems, legal and ethical issues, and international retailing.

PREREQUISITES
The student is required to have successfully completed MKTG 3803 (Principles of Marketing).

DELIVERY METHODS
This is a Hybrid Course. Please see schedule for exact class dates and times. * subject to change.

LEARNING GOALS
After completion of this course the student will be able to:
1. Know what opportunities and threats face retailers. (MG 1)
2. Have an understanding and familiarization with retail terminology including key retail concepts. (MG 1)
3. Be able to successfully use retail tools: Retailing pricing practices and merchandising planning and ordering. (MG 2)
4. Understand the basic dimensions of retailing. (MG 1)
5. Have an understanding of retail administration. (MG 1)
6. Understand how various factors influence consumer behavior/expenditure patterns. (MG1)
7. Understand what ethical and moral issues there are to be confronted. (LG 5)

**TEXTBOOKS AND MATERIALS**

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**COURSE MATERIALS**
This required text can be purchased new for under $18.00. Electronic versions are also acceptable.

**COURSE POLICIES**

Lecture: Lectures will cover specific topics in retail management. The course schedule lists specific topics covered on each class date along with referenced book chapters. Note: There will be material covered in class that cannot be found in your book! I also reserve the right to change the order of material presented. Material may be subject to change.

1. Attend class, prepared to discuss and apply concepts from assigned readings. This includes having the text, handouts, and other materials readily available and well organized for class.

2. Be responsible for the readings assigned in class and in the course syllabus, whether or not the material is explicitly covered by the instructor during class. Important information will be found in CourseDen, especially in the News/Announcement section. It is IMPORTANT to check this at least once a day. You will find articles to read and other important information.

3. Contribute to class discussions.

4. Turn in or meet all assignments on schedule. Make sure to consult schedule often. (Additional attachment). Dates and Activities are always subject to change.

5. Any student who misses class (or any portion of a class) is responsible for the content missed. While I am glad to assist students who may need help with a particular concept or assignment, such assistance is not designed to replace class time. Any student who misses class should take steps to get notes, assignments, copies of handouts, class schedule changes, etc. from another student(s). If additional assistance is needed, please see me during office hours. Class time is valuable and will not be used to go over material for students missing class. Class material will only be retaught/reviewed when it is judged appropriate for the class as a whole.

6. Always Engage in Academic Honesty: Students are expected to recognize and uphold standards of
intellectual and academic integrity. The University assumes as a basic and minimum standard of conduct in academic matters that students be honest and that they present for credit only the results of their own efforts. Students should be familiar with the University's policy on issues such as:

- Plagiarism,
- Cheating on Examinations,
- Unauthorized Collaboration,
- Falsification,
- Multiple Submissions. It will be considered an act of academic dishonesty for a student to submit work done in any other class for credit toward the completion of this course.

Failure to comply with these standards will result in a zero for that portion of the grade, as a minimum sanction. Lack of knowledge of this policy is not an acceptable defense to any academic dishonesty charge.

7. Adhere to University Policies: It is your responsibility to be aware and follow all guidelines and policies as presented in the University Bulletin. This includes and is not limited to the “Campus Carry Legislation: HB280”. Updated information can be found: [www.usg.edu/hb280](http://www.usg.edu/hb280)

8. Recognize that in addition to reading from the text and assigned readings, everything presented in class by the instructor, guest speakers or other students will be considered for inclusion on quizzes/exams.

9. Professional behavior is expected in the classroom. We follow the WOLF PACT. All students are expected to treat each other, the instructor, and guests with courtesy at all times. Side conversations are disruptive and inappropriate whether the instructor or another student is speaking. Comments regarding course difficulty, class dismissal time, etc. are also inappropriate. Talk to the instructor privately if you have a concern. This carries over into email as well. Please read and be familiar with my email policy found in CourseDen.

10. **Being on time:** Class starts at 9:30 AM, which means that you need to be in your seat by 9:30 AM. If you are late to class-you will miss valuable information. Door will lock once class starts. If you are late, points will be deducted from your attendance/participation grade, when one is given that day. On days we have guest speakers, you will be considered absent (late) and will not be admitted into class. Additionally, cell phone and headphones/ear bud use is not allowed during class.

11. Student Rights and Responsibilities: Please carefully review the information at the following link: [http://www.westga.edu/assetsDept/vpaa/Common_Language_for_Course_Syllabi.pdf](http://www.westga.edu/assetsDept/vpaa/Common_Language_for_Course_Syllabi.pdf) The document at this link contains important information pertaining to your rights and responsibilities in this class. Because these statements are updated as federal, state, university, and accreditation standards change, you should review the information each semester.

12. Credit Hour Policy (3 credit hours): For approximately fifteen weeks, students in this class will generally spend 150 minutes with direct faculty instruction (either face-to-face or online) and work about 360 minutes outside of the classroom each week. This out-of-class work may include, but is not limited to, readings, assignments, projects, group work, research, and test preparation.
ASSIGNMENTS

1. **Exams**: No exams.

2. **Wolf Pact/Verification Quiz**: Found in CourseDen. This verification must be completed by August 22. It will NOT be reopened and you will be dropped from the class for failure to verify attendance.

3. **Class Attendance/Participation**: Attendance and participation are very important in this Hybrid Class. On days of in class assignments/projects/activities...these cannot be made up. If there is a legitimate excuse for missing class (and it is addressed ahead of the class period)- a make-up assignment may be considered.

4. **Quizzes**: There will be 4 quizzes. The quizzes cannot be made up; NO EXCEPTIONS. If you are late on quiz day, you will not be given more time to take the quiz, and you may lose 20 points for being late.

5. **Reflections**: There will be 2 (or more) written reflection assignments due during the semester. They must be submitted into the assigned CourseDen assignment submission folders in the required format identified within CourseDen. Adhere to MLA format and provided guidelines. I will not accept late reflections. I will not accept reflections via email. “If you are LATE for in-class speakers you will not be allowed into class, I lock the door at 9:30 AM out of respect to our speakers- if you are not present, you will not be able to write a reflection-and you will receive a zero on your reflection and will be considered absent for that class period.

6. **Team Work and Team Assignment**: This is an early semester based project (First half of the semester). Please see the rubric for how the work will be graded. This is a key component to the class and the expectation is that each group member puts in an equal amount of work and dedication towards this project. Mandatory Presentation Days – outlined in your class schedule- are just that...mandatory. If you do not attend, you will receive a zero. If you are late-class starts at 9:30 AM (for any reason) your project grade will be lowered by 20 points EACH DAY you are late. Late means, you wait at the door until a group finishes presenting and then you will be let into the classroom. Again, check CourseDen often in the News Section for important/up to date information. Confidential Team Evaluations and Summaries are due at the time of your presentation. Failure to turn both of these in will result in a 30 point deduction from your presentation grade. (No partial credit)

7. **Final Project/Semester Paper**: Details on this final paper will be shared at a later date. It must be submitted into the assigned CourseDen assignment submission folders in the required format identified within CourseDen. Adhere to MLA format and provided guidelines. I will not accept late reflections. I will not accept reflections via email.

8. **Late assignments will not be taken unless:**

- there is an emergency which the student discusses with me BEFORE missing the assignment and
- documentation of the emergency situation is provided. Students not abiding by these policies will receive a zero.
Absences: Students missing more than 3 classes may be administratively withdrawn from the course by the instructor for excess absences. Administrative withdrawals follow the same grading guidelines outlined in the registration bulletin. Since this is a hybrid class, if you have 3 or more unexcused absences and you remain in the class your final grade will be lowered by 1 letter grade. Any documentation for absences must be emailed to me as soon as possible (preferably before the day you will miss) or provided to me via email by the next day after the absence.

GRADING

Your grade will be based on class participation/ assignments/quizzes and a group project. I open up grades in CourseDen, so that you can see your running average. I WILL NOT calculate your grades for you. It is your responsibility. I will not answer questions, such as: “What do I need to make on my group project in order to get an A in class.” Or “what is my current grade?”

**NOTE: If you miss 3 or more classes your final grade will be lowered by one letter grade.
Class participation is a major factor in this class.

- Wolf Pact/Verification Quiz- 5%
- Class Attendance/Participation- 10%
- Reflections- 10%
- Quizzes (4)- 25%
- Team Work and Team Project- 35%
- Final Semester Paper- 15%

A- 90-100
B- 80-89
C- 70-79
D- 60-69
F- 59-

Please see the detailed rubric in our Desire to Learn (D2L) course site to see how the assignments and team project will be assessed.”

COURSE CALENDAR

A separate color coded calendar is provided showing days that we are in class versus an online assignment. Additionally, there are mandatory class periods as well. always check CourseDen for accurate information. Below find general course calendar, current as of August 14, 2019. Please note, the schedule is subject to change.
UNIVERSITY-WIDE SYLLABUS INFORMATION:

Please review the “Common Language for Course Syllabi” for university-wide updates. Even if you have read it before, the most current information is maintained at this site.