MBA 610: Marketing Management

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LECTURE 5: Value, Satisfaction & Loyalty

In this session, we'll continue our discussion from Lecture 4 on analyzing markets. Then we'll disentangle the key concepts of value, customer satisfaction and loyalty.

By the end of this session, you should:

- Be able to define customer value, satisfaction, and loyalty in a manageriallyrelevant manner
- understand what a value proposition is, why it's important, and how to go about developing yours
- Understand the basic idea behind CRM and its key principles

Your To-Do List (for next lecture)

- Textbook: Chapters 8, 10
- Read "Target the Right Market," by J. Avery, T. Steenburgh, R. Martin, M. Volpe, Harvard Business Review, Oct 2012, pp 119-123.
- Read "Analyzing a case" and prepare case Clean Edge Razor for in-class discussion.

Thought Questions:

- What have been some "irritants" in your relationships with companies and retailers? What will typically cause you to "switch" provider? Conversely, think of brands and retailers you have enduring relationships with. What is the basis of that relationship?
- What are some of the things that companies and retailers have done to win your loyalty?
- As a consumer, when something goes wrong with a purchase or in your relationship with a company/retailer, how do you feel? what do you do? do you believe you have sufficient opportunities/resources for redress?
- How may companies encourage customers to voice their dis/satisfaction?

Review Questions:

The following review questions are representative of the types of questions you might be facing on the mid-term and/or final exams.

- 1. Customer satisfaction depends heavily on the expectations customers bring with them to the purchase experience. Why are customers' expectations often difficult to uncover and define? How can marketers "manage" customers' expectations?
- 2. What is CRM? What is CLV? how do the two relate?
- 3. What is the difference between customer loyalty and commitment?

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- 4. Discuss the relationship between features and benefits. How do they relate to value? Wherein is the challenge in identifying which features/benefits to offer?
- 5. What is a value proposition? What role does it play?



This section contains a brief list of websites, publications titles and other resources that could add significant value to your MBA 610 experience. You need not explore each one in depth but you may want to familiarize yourself with the information these websites or publications have to offer.

Word of Mouth

- Fred Reichheld's NPS: www.netpromoter.com
- word of mouth marketing association: womma.org
- www.bzzagent.com and www.tremor.com

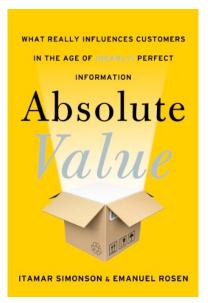
Mystery Shoppers

One can sub-contract the task of inspecting/examining the customer experience to third party agents known as mystery shoppers.

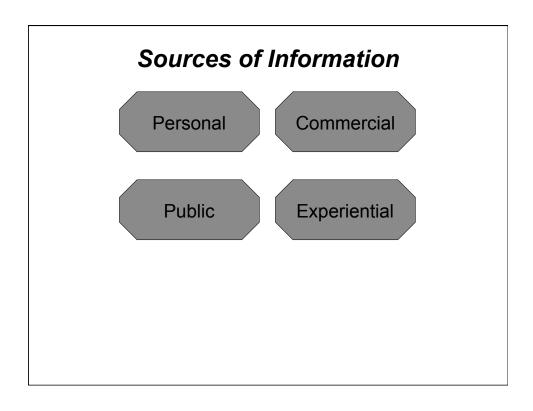
- The association of mystery shoppers: www.mysteryshop.org
- And www.mysteryshoppers.com/

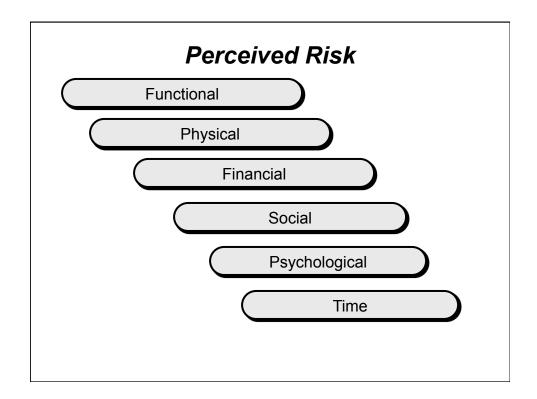
http://www.fishbowl.com provides customer-focused metrics to the restaurant industry.

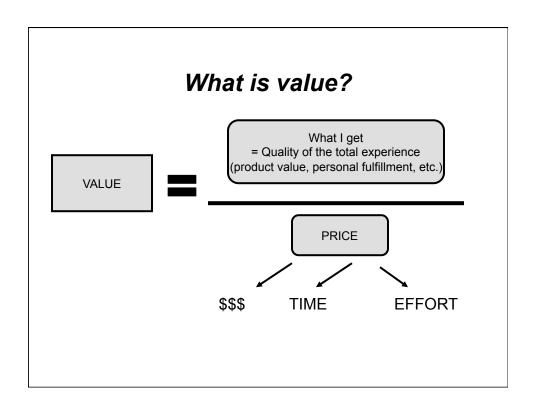
http://www.decisionanalyst.com provides customers satisfaction research of different types as well as other research services.

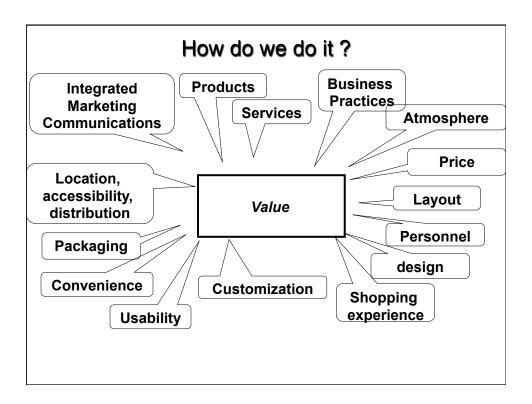


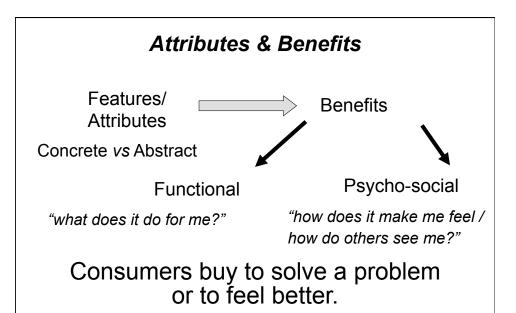
Absolute Value: What Really Influences Customers in the Age of (Nearly) Perfect Information, by Itamar Simonson and Emanuel Rosen (2014)





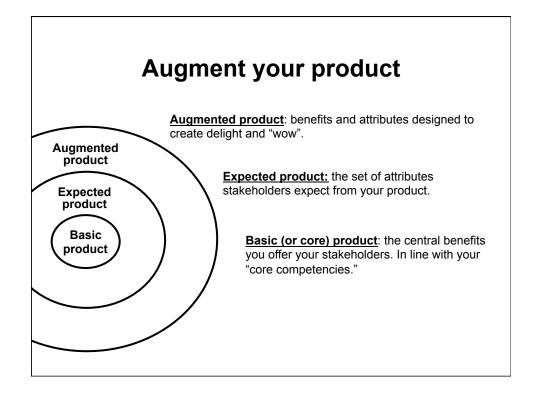






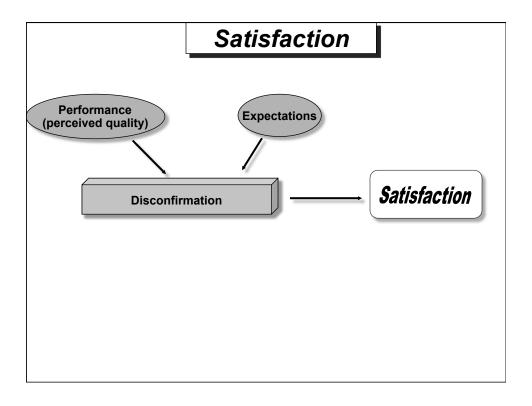
That promise is your "value proposition"

- The bundle of benefits that you promise your stakeholders
 - Functional vs psycho-social benefits
- Tailored to the needs and expectations of each stakeholder
- Depends on competition and your market
- Must be clear, concise, and compelling



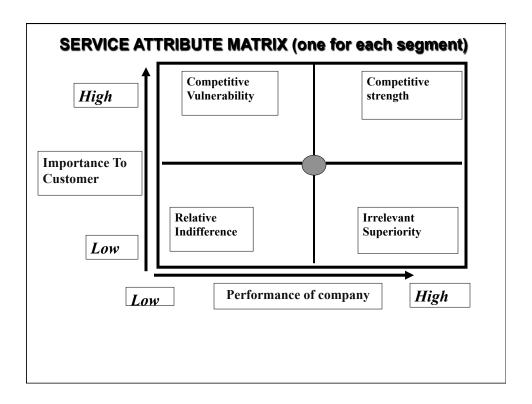
Defining your "value proposition"

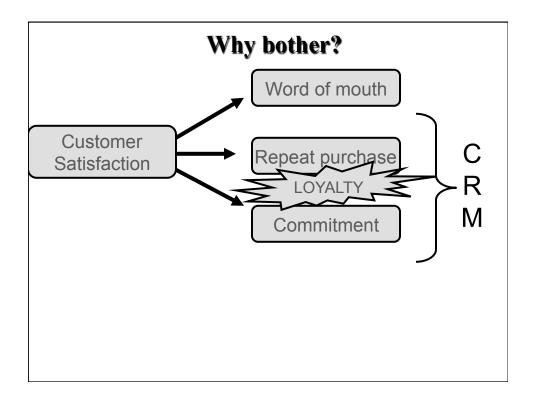
- Which market segment(s) are you targeting?
 - What is their profile? Level of knowledge? Interest? Motivation? What are their needs and expectations?
- What benefit(s) is your product bringing them?
 - Mhat is the "core" of your product?
- What benefit(s) could augment your value proposition to differentiate you from other solutions to customers' needs?
- Condense that value proposition in a short 2-min "elevator pitch" and a slogan.



Measuring C.S.

- Actionable (help managers make decisions and take action)
 - Assess performance, by market segment
 - Results should help to prioritise interventions
 - Features cover entire experience, all important touch points
 - Competitive assessment
 - Open-ended
- Reliable
 - Measure overall performance (first)
 - Track periodically, map over time
- Timely
 - Close to each major phases of purchase: pre-, in-, post-process
- Cost Effective
 - What price tag do you put on c.s. feedback?
- · Contract out: mystery shoppers



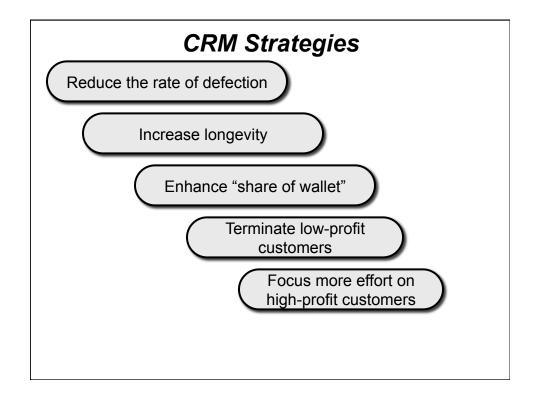


Key principles of CRM

Long term value of a customer

- 1. Financial value
 - + \$ from repeat purchases
- 2. Marketing value
 - word-of-mouth
 - referrals

Make your loyal customers Brand Ambassadors



Capturing Value from Customers

 Classify customers according to their potential profitability & manage relationships accordingly

Butterflies True Friends Good fit between Good fit between High company's offerings and company's offerings and profitability customer's needs; highest customer's needs; high profit potential profit potential **Potential** profitability Strangers **Barnacles** Little fit between company's Limited fit between Low offerings and customer's company's offerings and profitability needs; lowest profit potential customer's needs; low profit potential Short-term customers Long-term customers **Projected loyalty**

The Net Promoter Score

Frederick Reichheld in The Loyalty Effect

- Do you intend to recommend us to a friend?
- 0 = very unlikely, 10 = very likely
- 9 & 10 = promoters = 80% of positive wom
- 7 & 8 = passives = switchers
- 0 to 6 = detractors
- NPS = % promoters % detractors
- = wom reach or power of current customer base