

FACULTY OF BUSINESS MANAGEMENT END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS - APRIL 2025

PROGRAMME: MBA

YEAR/SEM: YEAR 1/SEMESTER 1

COURSE CODE: MBA 712

NAME: INNOVATION AND MARKETING

DATE: 2025-04-15

TIME: 2:00-5:00PM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

- 1. Read the instructions very carefully
- 2. The time allowed for this examination is STRICTLY three hours
- 3. Read each question carefully before you attempt and allocate your time equally between all the Sections
- 4. Write clearly and legibly. Illegible handwriting cannot be marked
- 5. Number the questions you have attempted
- 6. Use of appropriate workplace examples to illustrate your answers will earn you bonus marks
- 7. Any examination malpractice detected will lead to automatic disqualification.

DO NOT WRITE ANYTHING ON THE QUESTION PAPER

Section A Section A is Compulsory

Ouestion 1:

Apple has consistently led the tech industry with its innovative products like the iPhone, iPad, and MacBook. It employs a unique marketing strategy that focuses on seamless integration between hardware, software, and services. Appleâ??s brand identity emphasizes premium quality, aesthetic appeal, and user experience, which has helped it create a loyal customer base.

Question

- a) What factors contribute to Apple's success in innovation and marketing? (20 marks)
- b) How does the brand sustain customer loyalty? (20 marks)

Section B Answer any three Questions

Question 1:

How can a company foster a culture of innovation within its marketing department? (20 marks)

Question 2:

How do disruptive innovations affect traditional marketing strategies? (20 marks)

Question 3:

How can content marketing support innovative product launches? (20 marks)

Question 4:

What are the key elements of a successful marketing innovation strategy? (20 marks)

Question 5:

How can companies measure the success of their innovation marketing efforts? (20 marks)

Question 6:

What is the impact of social media on innovation in marketing? (20 marks)