Week	List of Topics	Assessments Due
1 25 Jul 2016	Introduction and overview to Consumer Behaviour: Why study CB?	None
2 1 Aug 2016	Consumer Research: Methods and approaches	
3 <b>8 Aug 2016</b>	Consumers as Individuals: Consumer Perception	Weekly Question response to be submitted 4pm the evening before this session
4 15 Aug 2016	Consumers as Individuals: Consumer Learning and Memory	Weekly Question response to be submitted 4pm the evening before this session Academic Honesty Module to be completed
5 <b>22 Aug 2016</b>	Consumers as Individuals: Influences of Personality and motivation on consumers	Weekly Question response to be submitted 4pm the evening before this session
6 <b>29 Aug 2016</b>	Consumers as Individuals: Attitudes and Changing attitudes	Weekly Question response to be submitted 4pm the evening before this session

#### Week 1:

## Assessment:

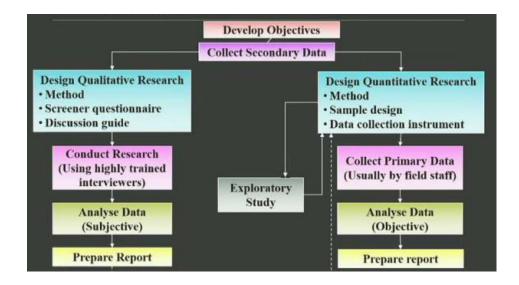
Weekly Assignment from week 3-week6. (4\*3%+2)

#### Mid-session Exam (15%)

- Multiple Choice questions (week 1- week 6)
- Multiple Choice involves **Problem-solving, Critical thinking**; not the definition of consumer behaviour, you might get the script to ask you analysis what is the best solution.
- The exam is 1 hour (+10 minutes reading time) in duration
- Will be held in-class in Week 7 during the regular lecture period
- Test your knowledge and understanding of theoretical concepts& their application to business problems/situations.
  - Psychological/sociological & economic principles, concepts& theories
  - Applied to consumers, why they behave & consume the way they do

#### Oral Presentation & Written Assignment Overview

- Form groups of 4-5 students from same class
- Choose a global trend from Euromonitor's top ten consumer trends then:
  - Research the trend
  - Identify/ propose a consumer product or service for that trend
  - Identity the consumer target subsegment & develop the positioning / targeting plan
- Each group will have a 20 minute consultation with the lecturer to discuss their initial idea, modify if needed, & have their idea approved
- Oral Presentation 15% (Part 1 of Project)
  - 4-5 slide preliminary presentation
  - Each group member will present one part/one slide
  - Individual mark for presentation
  - Marked on presentation style, clarity, communication, logic and content
- Written Assignment 25% ( Part 2 of Project)
  - Max 2500 words excluding Appendix & References



(not important)

The six major steps in the consumer research process are:

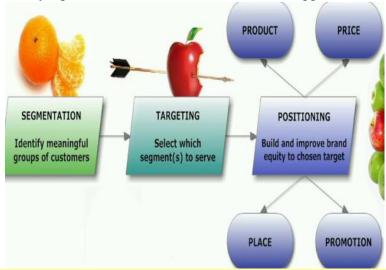
- **1. Defining the objectives of the research** (what's the questions here? Brand manager→" How much the consumer like my brand?" the first step is very important)
- 2. Collecting and evaluating secondary data (How do I figure out which aspect got problem? →Do you need to go out to collect data? Do I need to run a survey? Or can some secondary data tell me what I need to know? For instance, whether consumers intend to buy my products? →Sales compared to the past years to the sales to the nearest competitor → sales and reports →good estimation of market share that I have. Do I need to run a survey? Might not, there might some existing secondary data out there already that saved you lots of money. If there is some secondary that I can collect to answer my questions? If yes, why should I spend extra money? Many decisions of market research and consumer research are driven by budget constraint)
  - Secondary Data: Data that has been collected for reasons other than the specific research project at hand Eg. Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS)
  - Sources of Secondary Data:
    - o Internal Corporate Information
    - o Government Agencies
    - o Trade and Industry Associations
    - Marketing Research Firms
    - o Commercial Publications
    - News Media

### 3. Designing a primary research study

- Original research undertaken by individual researchers or organisations to meet specific objectives
- Quantitative studies more likely for collecting description information
- Qualitative studies may be used to get new ideas

# What is Market Segmentation?

- The process of dividing a market into distinct subsets of consumers with common needs and selecting one or more segments to target with a distinct marketing mix.
- Three Phases in Marketing Strategy
  - i. Segment the market into homogenous clusters on a suitable base
  - ii. Select one or more segments to target with a specific product or promotional appeal
  - iii. Position that product so that it is perceived by each market segment as satisfying that market's needs better than the opposition.



- Criteria for Effective Targeting of Market Segment (ISSA)→ checklist: Does the segment work for you?
  - Identification (Segments must be identifiable so that the marketer can determine which consumers belong to a segment and which do not)
  - Sufficiency (Are their enough people to make money from)
  - Stability (the group doesn't change)
  - Accessibility (The market segment should be reachable, particularly in terms of distribution and communications)
- How Marketers Use Segmentation
  - To discover the needs and wants of consumers
  - To guide the redesign and repositioning of existing products
  - For repositioning strategies- to find new market segments
  - To shape advertising and promotional campaigns- messages and media. (May have different promotional campaigns for different segments)
- Bases for Segmentation (How do we do segmentation)