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Production Studies

DreamWorks is one of the biggest names in modern computer-animation: a studio whose commercial success and impact on the medium rivals that of Pixar, and yet has received far less critical attention. The book will historicise DreamWorks' contribution to feature animation, while presenting a critical history of the form in the new millennium. It will look beyond the films’ visual aesthetics to assess DreamWorks’ influence on the narrative and tonal qualities which have come to define contemporary animated features, including their use of comedy, genre, music, stars, and intertextuality. It makes original interventions in the fields of film and animation studies by discussing each of these techniques in a uniquely animated context, with case studies from Shrek, Antz, Kung Fu Panda, Madagascar, Shark Tale, Bee Movie, Trolls and many others. It also looks at the unusual online afterlife of these films, and the ways in which they have been reappropriated and remixed by subversive online communities.

Letterboxed

Innovation Management: Strategies, Concepts and Tools for Growth and Profit combines the extensive knowledge and international experience of authors Shlomo Maital and D. V. R. Seshadri. The book aims to teach readers in a systematic way how to effectively build winning business strategies and help companies achieve sustained growth and profit through innovation. Written in a focused and interesting manner, the authors believe that the three key reasons to innovate are to: energize people; build growth and profit; and survive.

Mastering Creativity in Organizations

An Introduction to Film Studies has established itself as the leading textbook for students of cinema. This revised and updated third edition guides students through the key issues and concepts in film studies, and introduces some of the world's key national cinemas including British, Indian, Soviet and French. Written by experienced teachers in the field and lavishly illustrated with over 122 film stills and production shots, it will be essential reading for any student of film. Features of the third edition include:*Full coverage of all the key topics at undergraduate level*Comprehensive and up-to-date information and new case studies on recent films such as Gladiator, Spiderman, The Blair Witch Project, Fight Club, Shrek and The Matrix*Annotated key readings, further viewing, website resources, study questions, a comprehensive bibliography and indexes, and a glossary of key terms will help lecturers prepare tutorials and encourage students to undertake independent study. Individual chapters include:*Film form and narrative*Spectator, audience and response*Critical approaches to Hollywood cinema: authorship, genre and stars*Animation: forms and meaning*Gender and film*Lesbian and gay cinema*British cinema*Soviet montage Cinema*French New Wave*Indian Cinema

Strategy

'Animating Space' explores how animation has evolved in line with changing cultural attitudes, as well as examining the innovations that have helped raise the medium from a novelty to a fully-fledged art form.

Creative Collaboration in Art Practice, Research, and Pedagogy

The International Film Business examines the independent film sector as a business, and addresses the specific skills and knowledge it demands. It describes both the present state of the industry, the significant digital and social media developments that are continuing to take place, and what changes these might effect. The International Film Business: describes and analyses the present structure of the film industry as a business, with a specific focus on the film value chain discusses and analyses current digital technology and how it potentially may change the structure and opportunities offered by the industry in the future provides information and advice on the different business and management skills and strategies includes case studies on a variety of films including The Guard (2011), The King’s Speech (2010), The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel (2012), Cloverfield (2008), Pobby & Dingan (aka Opal Dream, 2005), Confessions of a Dangerous Mind (2002), The Reckoning (2002) and The Mother (2003), and company case studies on Pixar, Renaissance, Redbus and Zentropa. Further case studies on films that failed to go into production include Neil LaBute’s Vapor and Terry Gilliam’s Good Omens. Taking an
entrepreneurial perspective on what future opportunities will be available to prepared and informed students and emerging practitioners, this text includes case studies that take students through the successes and failures of a variety of real film companies and projects and features exclusive interviews with leading practitioners in all sectors of the industry, from production to exhibition.

**DreamWorks Animation**

Now in its seventh edition, Managing Innovation: Integrating Technological, Market and Organizational Change enables graduate and undergraduate students to develop the unique skill set and the foundational knowledge required to successfully manage innovation, technology, and new product development. This bestselling text has been fully updated with new data, new methods, and new concepts while still retaining its holistic approach the subject. The text provides an integrated, evidence-based methodology to innovation management that is supported by the latest academic research and the authors’ extensive experience in real-world management practice. Students are provided with an impressive range of learning tools—including numerous case studies, illustrative examples, discussions questions, and key information boxes—to help them explore the innovation process and its relation to the markets, technology, and the organization. "Research Notes" examine the latest evidence and topics in the field, while "Views from the Front Line" offer insights from practicing innovation managers and connect the covered material to actual experiences and challenges. Throughout the text, students are encouraged to apply their knowledge and critical thinking skills to business model innovation, creativity, entrepreneurship, service innovation, and many more current and emerging approaches and practices.

**Resilience of Luxury Companies in Times of Change**

Explaining the real-world of mergers, acquisitions, and restructuring based on his own academic knowledge and experience, Donald DePamphilis shows how deals are done, rather than just explaining the theory behind them.

**Disney and the Dialectic of Desire**

Resilience of Luxury Companies in Times of Change is a book for executives and Masters’ level students taking courses in luxury management. It offers an insight into the current and emergent business models and strategies luxury companies apply to remain resilient in times of change. It explores a variety of business models answering the following key questions: What is each brand’s value proposition used to attract a consumer’s willingness to pay? What is each brand’s target audience? How do brands navigate and expand their markets? And how do luxury companies organize their resources to design and develop products and services to continually sell to their customers? The answers to these questions provide the foundation of a luxury company’s business strategy and, as a result, its brand architecture. The authors also explore the patterns that have emerged in the ownership, management and the manufacturing in luxury goods companies, where dominance is usually found in certain countries. This book focuses on six key industries in the luxury product sector: fashion, automotive, hospitality, furniture, cosmetics and jewellery. It provides an international perspective with examples drawn from Europe, USA, the Middle East, China and Japan. Through these examples and cases, the authors analyze how luxury companies are facing the challenges posed by external shocks and an extensive need for digitalization. Using concepts and theories from macroeconomics (such as globalisation) and corporate and business strategy, the book aims to connect the dots between theory and practice. Resilience of Luxury Companies in Times of Change provides perspectives of the past, present and future – how luxury companies have evolved over time and managed to stay resilient despite the challenges they have faced through the different eras.

**Managing Innovation**

With this text, a team of authors from the University of West England provide a comprehensive overview of the culture, technologies and history of new media and assess claims that a media and technology revolution is underway.

**Executive Strategy**

This leading strategy text presents the complexities of strategic management through up-to-date scholarship and hands-on applications. Highly respected authors Charles Hill, Gareth Jones, and Melissa Schilling integrate cutting-edge research on topics including corporate performance, governance, strategic leadership, technology, and business ethics through both theory and case studies. Based on real-world practices and current thinking in the field, the eleventh edition of STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT features an increased emphasis on the changing global economy and its role in strategic management. The high-quality case study program contains 31 cases covering small, medium, and large companies of varying backgrounds. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

**Strategy**

Examining post-1990s Indie cinema alongside more mainstream films, Brereton explores the emergence of smart independent sensibility and how films break the classic linear narratives that have defined Hollywood and its alternative "art" cinema. The work explores how bonus features on contemporary smart films speak to new generational audiences.
The International Film Business

This is a comprehensive textbook for students of cinema. It provides a guide to the main concepts used to analyse the film industry and film texts, and also introduces some of the world's key national cinemas.

Co-Financing Hollywood Film Productions with Outside Investors

Strategic Management

Dr. Donald DePamphilis explains the real-world of mergers, acquisitions, and restructuring based on his academic knowledge and personal experiences with over 30 such deals himself. The 99 case studies span every industry and countries and regions worldwide show how deals are done rather than just the theory behind them, including cross-border transactions. The interactive CD is unique in enabling the user to download and customize content. It includes an Excel-based LBO model and an M&A Structuring and Valuation Model in which readers can insert their own data and modify the model to structure and value their own deals. CD also real options applications and projecting growth rates. Student Study Guide on CD contains practice problems/solutions, powerpoint slides outlining main points of each chapter, and selected case study solutions. An extensive on-line instructor's manual contains powerpoint slides for lectures following each chapter, detailed syllabi for using the book for both undergraduate and graduate-level courses, and an exhaustive test bank with over 750 questions and answers (including true/false, multiple choice, essay questions, and computational problems). * CDROM contains extensive student study guide and detailed listings of online sources of industry and financial data and models on CDROM * Numerous valuation and other models on CDROM can be downloaded and customized by readers * Online Instructor's Manual with test bank, extra cases, and other resources * Over 90 cases

EBOOK: Services Marketing: Integrating Customer Focus Across the Firm

The chapters included in this volume are composed of some selected contributions from the 8th International Conference of Political Economy (ICOPEC 2017) held in Belgrade on June 28-30, 2017 with the main theme of "Institutions, National Identity, Power, and Governance in the 21st Century". All chapters are peer-reviewed by both the editors and independent scholars from the fields relevant to the manuscript's subject area. The purpose of the volume is to provide and enhance our understanding of the recent trends in the social, economic and financial analysis. Therefore, this volume includes chapters that focus on the importance of these three disciplines of social sciences which interact heavily with almost every other social science as well as the normative sciences. In this sense, this volume aims at providing a contemporary update to the literature from various different perspectives and tries to contribute to our knowledge in an effective manner. The chapters do not only present analysis of certain topics but also help to build the mindset for further studies that would be helpful in looking for answers to some of the remaining questions in these three crucial social sciences disciplines. Hence, we are glad to put together a volume that would be useful to a large audience rather than just the technical experts.

Media Messages

Aesthetic storytelling: a tradition and theory of animation -- The uncanny integrity of digital commodities (Toy story) -- From the technological to the postmodern sublime (Monsters, Inc.) -- The exceptional dialectic of the fantastic and the mundane (The Incredibles) -- Disruptive sensation and the politics of the new (Ratatouille)

Integrating Program Management and Systems Engineering

A strategy text on value creation with case studies The ninth edition of Contemporary Strategy Analysis: Text and Cases focuses on the fundamentals of value creation with an emphasis on practicality. Topics in this edition include: platform-based competition and ecosystems of related industries; the role of strategy making processes; mergers, acquisitions and alliances; and strategy implementation. Within the twenty case studies, students will find leading companies that are familiar to them. This strategy analysis text is suitable for MBA and advanced undergraduate students.

Animation and Advertising

Over the past two decades, investors from outside the motion picture industry have increasingly supplied equity to U.S. film productions. Today, these so-called co-financing arrangements are a common phenomenon in Hollywood. While the large studios usually carry out the operative tasks of movie production and distribution, the financiers as co-owners of the completed films have rights to the residual profits. Kay H. Hofmann analyzes the conflicts of interest and the organizational problems that may arise between the experienced major studios and investors with comparably low industry expertise. Guided by principal agent theory, the empirical analysis provides evidence for adverse selection and multiple aspects of moral hazard during production as well as distribution. Based on these findings, the author develops solutions that are not only relevant for current and future investors but also for studios and film producers who rely on the long-term availability of external funds.

Flickers of Film
Whether paying tribute to silent films in Hugo and The Artist or celebrating arcade games in Tron: Legacy and Wreck-It-Ralph, Hollywood suddenly seems to be experiencing a wave of intense nostalgia for outmoded technologies. To what extent is that a sincere lament for modes of artistic production that have nearly vanished in an all-digital era? And to what extent is it simply a cynical marketing ploy, built on the notion that nostalgia has always been one of Hollywood’s top-selling products? In Flickers of Film, Jason Sperb offers nuanced and unexpected answers to these questions, examining the benefits of certain types of film nostalgia, while also critiquing how Hollywood’s nostalgic representations of old technologies obscure important aspects of their histories. He interprets this affinity for the prehistory and infancy of digital technologies in relation to an industry-wide anxiety about how the digital has grown to dominate Hollywood, pushing it into an uncertain creative and economic future. Yet he also suggests that Hollywood’s nostalgia for old technologies ignores the professionals who once employed them, as well as the labor opportunities that have been lost through the computerization and outsourcing of film industry jobs. Though it deals with nostalgia, Flickers of Film is strikingly cutting-edge, one of the first studies to critically examine Pixar’s role in the film industry, cinematic representations of videogames, and the economic effects of participatory culture. As he takes in everything from Terminator: Salvation to The Lego Movie, Sperb helps us see what’s distinct about this recent wave of self-aware nostalgic films—how Hollywood nostalgia today isn’t what it used to be.

**Smart Cinema, DVD Add-Ons and New Audience Pleasures**

**Intercultural Management in practice**

Get 12 months FREE access to an interactive eBook when purchasing the paperback* Updated to bring the material in line with the topical and contemporary ideas and debates on or about strategy and catering to students and their diverse learning styles, the second edition is an easy to use tool allowing students to switch from web resources to the print text and back again, opening windows on the world of strategy through cases that are vibrant and engaged, digital links that allow them to explore topics in more detail and video and other media that encourage relating theory to practice. Providing a fresh perspective on strategy from an organizational perspective through a discursive approach featuring key theoretic tenets, this text is also pragmatic and emphasizes the practices of strategy to encourage the reader to be open to a wider set of ideas, with a little more relevance, and with a cooler attitude towards the affordances of the digital world and the possibilities for strategy’s futures. The key areas of Strategy take a critical stance in the new edition, and also include areas less evident in conventional strategy texts such as not-for-profit organizations, process theories, globalization, organizational politics and decision-making as well as the futures of strategy. The new edition comes packed with features that encourage readers to engage and relate theory to practice and is complemented by a free Interactive e-book* featuring videos, cases and other relevant links, allowing access on the go and encouraging learning and retention whatever the reading or learning style. Suitable as core reading for undergraduate and postgraduate business management students of strategy and strategic management. *Interactivity only available through VitalSource eBook included as part of paperback product (ISBN 9781473938458). Access not guaranteed on second-hand copies (as access code may have previously been redeemed).

**Strategic Management, Loose-Leaf Print Companion**

Organizational collaboration has played an important role in the field of strategic management in recent decades, including influential works on joint ventures, networks, and social capital. Likewise, the field of entrepreneurship has long recognized the value of collaboration, since young ventures often don’t have the latitude to own or control all of the resources they need. Rather, the conditions of uncertainty and resource scarcity inherent in entrepreneurship push these ventures to creatively access resources, often through partnerships and collaborations that vary in formality. Though the importance of collaboration to entrepreneurship might seem apparent, research on it is distributed across multiple contexts, theoretical perspectives, and units of analysis. The Oxford Handbook of Entrepreneurship and Collaboration is a comprehensive volume that addresses the most important topics related to collaboration and connects them to unique challenges and opportunities related to entrepreneurship. Bringing together leading scholars from both areas, the volume takes stock of the current literature and aims to advance this body of research by highlighting the role that collaboration plays in value creation, resource acquisition, and the development of entrepreneurial ventures.

**An Introduction to Film Studies**

Where is the place of the voice in film? Where others have focused on Hollywood film, this volume aims to extend the field to other cinemas from around the world, encompassing Latin America, Asia and Africa amongst others. Traditional theoretical accounts, based on classical narrative cinema, examine the importance of the voice in terms of a desired perfect match between visuals and sonic effects. But, as the chapters of this volume illustrate, what is normative in one film industry may not apply in another. The widespread practices of dubbing, post-synch sound and “playback singing” in some countries, for instance, provide an alternative means of understanding the location of the voice in the soundtrack. Through seventeen original chapters, this volume situates the voice in film across a range of diverse national, transnational and cultural contexts, presenting readings which challenge traditional readings of the voice in film in exciting new ways. By taking a comparative view, this volume posits that the voice may be best understood as a mobile object, one whose trajectory follows a broader network of global flows. The various chapters explore the cultural transformations the voice undergoes as it moves from one industry to another. In doing so, the volume addresses sound practices which have been long been neglected, such as dubbing and non-synch sound, as well the ways in which sound technologies have shaped nationally specific styles of vocal performance. In addressing the place of the voice in film, the book intends to nuance existing theoretical writing on the voice while applying these critical insights in a global context.

**Introduction to Film Studies**
The proliferation of entrepreneurship, technological and business innovations, emerging social trends and lifestyles, employment patterns, and other developments in the global context involve creative destruction that transcends geographic and political boundaries and economic sectors and industries. This creates a need for an interdisciplinary exploration of disruptive technologies, their impacts, and their implications for various stakeholders widely ranging from government agencies to major corporations to consumer groups and individuals. *Disruptive Technology: Concepts, Methodologies, Tools, and Applications* is a vital reference source that examines innovation, imitation, and creative destruction as critical factors and agents of socio-economic growth and progress in the context of emerging challenges and opportunities for business development and strategic advantage. Highlighting a range of topics such as IT innovation, business strategy, and sustainability, this multi-volume book is ideally designed for entrepreneurs, business executives, business professionals, academicians, and researchers interested in strategic decision making using innovations and competitiveness.

**Innovation Management**

Rooted in strategic management research, *Business Model Innovation* explores the concepts, tools, and techniques that enable organizations to gain and/or maintain a competitive advantage in the face of technological innovation, globalization, and an increasingly knowledge-intensive economy. The book investigates how organizations can use innovations in business models to take advantage of entrepreneurial opportunities from: • Crowdsourcing and open innovation • Long Tails • Social media • Disruptive technologies • Less-is-more innovations • Network effects • Scarcity of complementary capabilities The book also looks at the ways firms can use innovations in business models to exploit or defend against threats. With twelve supplementary cases to help readers apply the concepts and techniques, this book is a must-have for anyone looking to understand the fundamentals of business model innovation.

**Pixar and the Aesthetic Imagination**

This book analyzes Walt Disney’s impact on entertainment, new media, and consumer culture in terms of a materialist, psychoanalytic approach to fantasy. The study opens with a taxonomy of narrative fantasy along with a discussion of fantasy as a key concept within psychoanalytic discourse. Zornado reads Disney’s full-length animated features of the “golden era” as symbolic responses to cultural and personal catastrophe, and presents Disneyland as a monument to Disney fantasy and one man’s singular, perverse desire. What follows after is a discussion of the “second golden age” of Disney and the rise of Pixar Animation as neoliberal nostalgia in crisis. The study ends with a reading of George Lucas as latter-day Disney and Star Wars as Disney fantasy. This study should appeal to film and media studies college undergraduates, graduates students and scholars interested in Disney.

**Mergers, Acquisitions, and Other Restructuring Activities, 4E**

"Behind-the-scenes" stories of ranting directors, stingy producers, temperamental actors, and the like have fascinated us since the beginnings of film and television. Today, magazines, websites, television programs, and DVDs are devoted to telling tales of trade lore—from on-set antics to labor disputes. The production of media has become as storied and mythologized as the content of the films and TV shows themselves. *Production Studies* is the first volume to bring together a star-studded cast of interdisciplinary media scholars to examine the unique cultural practices of media production. The all-new essays collected here combine ethnographic, sociological, critical, material, and political-economic methods to explore a wide range of topics, from contemporary industrial trends such as new media and niche markets to gender and workplace hierarchies. Together, the contributors seek to understand how the entire span of "media producers"—ranging from high-profile producers and directors to anonymous stagehands and costume designers—work through professional organizations and informal networks to form communities of shared practices, languages, and cultural understandings of the world. This landmark collection connects the cultural activities of media producers to our broader understanding of media practices and texts, establishing an innovative and agenda-setting approach to media industry scholarship for the twenty-first century. Contributors: Miranda J. Banks, John T. Caldwell, Christine Cornea, Laura Grandstaff, Felicia D. Henderson, Erin Hill, Jane Landman, Elana Levine, Amanda D. Lotz, Paul Malcolm, Denise Mann, Vicki Mayer, Candace Moore, Oli Mould, Sherry B. Ortner, Matt Stahl, John L. Sullivan, Serra Tinic, Stephen Zaffrau

**Screen Digest**

Covering all the core elements that business students need to know about the economic dimension of strategy, this text offers a fresh approach by also placing strategy in its social, political, and organizational context. Students are introduced to the links between strategic management and strategizing processes on the one hand and organizational politics and power relations on the other. The book integrates concerns about ethics and globalization, and corporate social responsibility and sustainability, to provide a provocative and critically engaged approach to understanding strategy in the post-financial crisis world.

**Strategic Management: Theory & Cases: An Integrated Approach**

Throughout its history, animation has been fundamentally shaped by its application to promotion and marketing, with animation playing a vital role in advertising history. In individual case study chapters this book addresses, among others, the role of promotion and advertising for anime, Disney, MTV, Lotte Reinerig, Pixar and George Pal, and highlights American, Indian, Japanese, and European examples. This collection reviews the history of famous animation studios and artists, and rediscovers overlooked ones. It situates animated advertising within the context of a diverse intermedial and multi-platform media environment, influenced by print, radio and digital practices, and expanding beyond cinema and television screens into the workplace, theme park, trade expo and urban environment. It reveals the part that animation has played in shaping our consumption of particular brands and commodities, and assesses the ways in which animated advertising has both changed and been changed by the
When widescreen technology was introduced to filmmaking in 1953, it changed the visual framework and aesthetic qualities of cinema forever. Before widescreen, a director's vision for capturing beautiful technologies and media that supported it, including digital production and distribution in the present day. Challenging the traditional privileging of art or entertainment over commercial animation, Animation and Advertising establishes a new and rich field of research, and raises many new questions concerning particular animation and media histories, and our methods for researching them.

**Business Model Innovation**

Strategic Management delivers an insightful and concise introduction to strategic management concepts utilizing a strong mix of real-world contemporary examples. Written in a conversational style, this product sparks ideas, fuels creative thinking and discussion, while engaging students with the concepts they are studying.

**Locating the Voice in Film**

Integrate critical roles to improve overall performance in complex engineering projects. Integrating Program Management and Systems Engineering shows how organizations can become more effective, more efficient, and more responsive, and enjoy better performance outcomes. The discussion begins with an overview of key concepts, and details the challenges faced by System Engineering and Program Management practitioners every day. The practical framework that follows describes how the roles can be integrated successfully to streamline project workflow, with a catalog of tools for assessing and deploying best practices. Case studies detail how real-world companies have successfully implemented the framework to improve cost, schedule, and technical performance, and coverage of risk management throughout helps you ensure the success of your organization's own integration strategy. Available course outlines and PowerPoint slides bring this book directly into the academic or corporate classroom, and the discussion's practical emphasis provides a direct path to implementation. The integration of management and technical work paves the way for smoother projects and more positive outcomes. This book describes the integrated goal, and provides a clear framework for successful transition. Overcome challenges and improve cost, schedule, and technical performance. Assess current capabilities and build to the level your organization needs. Manage risk throughout all stages of integration and performance improvement. Deploy best practices for teams and systems using the most effective tools. Complex engineering systems are prone to budget slips, scheduling errors, and a variety of challenges that affect the final outcome. These challenges are a sign of failure on the part of both management and technical, but can be overcome by integrating the roles into a cohesive unit focused on delivering a high-value product. Integrating Program Management with Systems Engineering provides a practical route to better performance for your organization as a whole.

**Information Processing and Management**

Indispensable to understanding change, this unique text provides a comprehensive examination of how change can be sustained within organizations today. Featuring critical insights into theoretical concepts and current international examples, the book provides an accessible way for students to enhance their understanding and develop the crucial skills needed to be successful when managing and leading change in organizations. Key Features: Synthesizes what is known about change in organizations and then provides practical ways of sustaining it. Contains an international range of case studies and interviews which link theory to practice throughout. Explores key contemporary topics such as power, politics, ethics and sustainability for an enhanced understanding of current debates and issues. Activities, discussion questions and further reading in each chapter test your understanding of the key concepts and reinforce your learning. End of book glossary defines key terms, for those new to studying change.

**Contemporary Studies in Social, Economic & Financial Analysis**

This book identifies best practices, leadership styles, and organizational structures for the stimulation of organizational creativity, with an aim to help any company – not just companies in creative fields or industries – become an organization in which new ideas flow, new processes are developed, and new products are brought to market. Managers will find case studies describing exceptional organizational creativity and practical takeaways that can be applied in their own firms. Students will find concrete analytical frameworks for thinking about creativity in organizations, and academics will find a different approach to the study of creativity, one that is grounded in practice.

**Animating Space**

This collection reflects current and nuanced discussions of the ways collaboration and participation meaningfully inform the production, study, and teaching of art with innovative and unexpected results. It illustrates how the shifting boundaries of power, position, and identity, between domains of knowledge and collaborative participants, result in new relationships. The chapters in this book share stories applicable or relevant to readers' own classrooms, art practice, or scholarship. As such, it directly appeals to college professors of studio art and design, art history, and art education, as well as to artists, scholars, and teachers who work collaboratively. It may also draw readership from business professionals seeking critical thinkers and creative problem solvers to energize their industries. The volume will inspire conversations about the ways relationships become crucial for construction, reception and display; meaning and power; design, content, and action.

**Mergers, Acquisitions, and Other Restructuring Activities**

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New Media

The Second European Edition of Services Marketing: Integrating Customer Focus Across the Firm by Wilson, Zeithaml, Bitner and Gremler uniquely focuses on the development of customer relationships through quality service. Reflecting the increasing importance of the service economy, Services Marketing is the only text that put the customer's experience of services at the centre of its approach. The core theories, concepts and frameworks are retained, and specifically the gaps model, a popular feature of the book. The text moves from the foundations of services marketing before introducing the gaps model and demonstrating its application to services marketing. In the second edition, the book takes on more European and International contexts to reflect the needs of courses, lecturers and students. The second edition builds on the wealth of European and international examples, cases, and research in the first edition, offering more integration of European content. It has also been fully updated with the latest research to ensure that it continues to be seen as the text covering the very latest services marketing thinking. In addition, the cases section has been thoroughly examined and revised to offer a range of new case studies with a European and global focus. The online resources have also been fully revised and updated providing an excellent package of support for lecturers and students.

Disruptive Technology: Concepts, Methodologies, Tools, and Applications

The new edition of this widely adopted book reveals how the popular media contribute to widespread myths and misunderstanding about cultural diversity. While focused on the impact of television, feature film, and popular music, the authors reach far beyond media to explore how our understanding, values, and beliefs about race, class, gender and sexual orientation are constructed. They analyze how personal histories, combined with the collective history of oppression and liberation, contribute to stereotypes and misinformation, as well as how personal engagement with media can impact prospects for individual and social freedom. Along with updated media examples, expanded theories and analysis, this edition explores even more deeply the coverage of race in two chapters, discusses more broadly how men and boys are depicted in the media and socialized, and how class issues have become even more visible since the Great Recession of the 21st century and the Occupy movements. Special activities and exercises are provided in the book and an online Instructor's Manual is available to adopters.

Contemporary Strategy Analysis

The Sage Course Companion on Strategic Management is an accessible introduction to the subject that avoids lengthy debate in order to focus on the core concepts. It will help the reader to develop their understanding of the key theories, whilst enabling them to bring diverse topics together in line with course requirements. The Sage Course Companion also provides advice on getting the most from your course work; help with analysing case studies and tips on how to prepare for examinations. Designed to compliment existing strategy textbooks, the Companion provides: - Quick and easy access to the key themes in strategic management - Tips on how to effectively use theory and avoid common errors - Typical examination questions, with outline approaches to the answers - "Taking it Further" sections that provide a critical discussion of the theory and its applicability to business situations - A glossary of strategic management terminology - A textbook guide directing the reader to additional supporting material. The Sage Course Companion on Strategic Management is much more than a revision guide for undergraduates; it is an essential tool that will help readers take their understanding to new levels and help them achieve success in their course. Postgraduate students and those taking professional courses will also find this book acts a us.

The Oxford Handbook of Entrepreneurship and Collaboration

These Case Studies were written by students from the course Business Psychology 2014 at the EBC-university of applied sciences in Stuttgart. The students have visited the lecture "Intercultural Management". Prof. Dr. Patrick Siegfried Ph.D. has worked with the students. He has the professorship for General Management at the International School of Management.

Sustaining Change in Organizations

It is my pleasure to write the preface for Information Processing and Management. This book aims to bring together innovative results and new research trends in information processing, computer science and management engineering. If an information processing system is able to perform useful actions in a given domain, it is because the system knows something about that domain. The more knowledge it has, the more useful it can be to its users. Without that knowledge, the system itself is useless. In the information systems field, there is conceptual modeling for the activity that elicits and describes the general knowledge a particular information system needs to know. The main objective of conceptual modeling is to obtain that description, which is called a conceptual schema. Conceptual schemas are written in languages called conceptual modeling languages. Conceptual modeling is an important part of requirements engineering, the first and most important phase in the development of an information system.