Module code	FSM707	Level	7
Module title	Fashion Branding	Credit value	20
Programme(s) on which the module is taught	MA International Fashion Marketing	<b>ECTS Credits</b>	10
		Notional learning hours	100

# 1. Pre-requisite modules

None

## 2. Module aims and objectives

This module will enable you to acquire the knowledge and skills to understand fashion branding within the international fashion industry. You will develop a broad range of academic and vocational skills used within fashion branding that can be applied to create a distinctive brand DNA. Using historic and contemporary case studies you will explore innovative, contemporary fashion branding strategies used to generate appeal, build loyalty and develop values and heritage while embracing ethical considerations. You will learn how brands are built from conception and development through to brand promotion and management.

You will examine how fashion branding strategy and its implementation are used to reinforce the relationship between brand and consumer. The module will culminate in the application of learning to an innovative brand strategy project. By applying key principles of branding theory you will devise a strategy that will extend or revitalize a fashion brand by creating sustainable competitive advantage, translating the needs of the market into appropriate products and services. You will consider the visual and verbal impact of the brand on the consumer and how the brand's identity and point of difference can be communicated to the consumer through effective brand messages.

#### 3. Learning outcomes

## A) Knowledge and understanding

Upon successful completion of this module the students will be able to:

- A1.Evidence a deep and systematic understanding of the international fashion marketplace and of the development and implementation of international fashion branding and marketing strategies.
- A3.Independently and critically synthesize philosophies, theories and methodologies underlying a social science approach to international fashion marketing, with specific reference to strategic branding and marketing of fashion goods and services, including fashion brand creation and maintenance.

## B) Skills

Upon successful completion of this module the students will be able to:

- B2.Demonstrate autonomous thinking, creativity and sound judgement in the application of knowledge and skills to independently determine research design, data collection, analysis, synthesis, and reporting in relation to international fashion branding and brand management.
- B7.Confidently and professionally communicate complex ideas and arguments, in visual, oral and written forms, using a range of media, including digital, which are widely used within the fashion branding and the wider fashion marketing industry.
- B8.Manage, develop, guide and generate effectively and professionally within a team environment, including team building, leadership and influencing other people.

#### 4. Indicative content

- International fashion branding
- International brand management
- Brand strategies
- Brand concept
- Brand narrative and identity
- Brand stratification and positioning
- Brand loyalty/ consumer belief/ authenticity
- Fashion brands, ethics and social responsibility
- Brand equity and value
- Brand life cycle
- Brand repositioning, re-launching and revitalization
- Brand semiology and imagery
- Brand promotion
- Brand reinforcement new media channels- fashion Influencers and micro communities

# 5. Learning and teaching methods

Taking advantage of the University's central London location, you will benefit from the huge fashion and retail research resource on your doorstep. At Regent's you will learn through a combination of lectures, focused seminars and practical experience, with a strong emphasis on tutorial support for your individual interests and focuses. Self-directed independent learning is also expected at postgraduate level.

The following learning and teaching methods are employed to support the integrated achievement of programme outcomes:

- Lectures, seminars and tutorials
- Guest speakers in class and at larger Regent's events
- External visits
- Progress tutorials

- Presentations
- Collaboration where practical and relevant with other courses
- Group work and self-directed study
- In-class formative assessments
- Summative (graded) assessments

20 credit module – 200 learning hours				
Directed learning	55 hours			
Lectures	22			
Seminars	33			
Collaborative Learning	5 hours			
Tutorials (1:1 and group)	5			
Self-directed learning	140 hours			
Preparation for class	25			
Self-study after class	65			
Preparation for assessments	40			
Assessment	10			
Total	200			

## 6. Assessment and relative weightings

Scheduled contact time will include regular formative assessment and feedback. This may take many different forms such as tutorials, contemporary knowledge quizzes, in-class specialist workshops, presentations, discussion, peer review and IT exercises.

Summative assessments, which are graded and contribute to the award are listed below:

### Assessment 1: (A1, B8)

Week 4-8 (30% Mark) - Group Presentation- 20 minute PPT analysis of an international fashion brand including the evolution of the brand, its current positioning, and a detailed exploration of the different elements of its brand strategy. The submission to include an accompanying printed version with support notes and supplementary material.

## **Assessment 2: (A3, B2, B7)**

Week 11 (70% Mark) – Brand Strategy Project – Individual development of a brand extension to revitalize the fashion brand studied in Assessment 1. The submission will be designed to attract a new consumer group to the brand in the existing fashion market (individual report, 3,500 words and supported by visuals). Your submission needs to demonstrate creativity and the use of research data to support your submission. The

submission will include detailed explanation of brand campaign to support the brand strategy.

7. Mapping of assessment tasks for the module							
Accomment tooks	Learning outcomes						
Assessment tasks	A1	А3	B2	В7	B8		
Assessment 1 – Group Presentation	<b>✓</b>				✓		
Assessment 2 – Brand Strategy Project		✓	✓	✓			

# 8. Key reading

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Journal of Advertising Research

Journal of Brand Management

Journal of Fashion Marketing and Management: An International Journal

Journal of Global Fashion Marketing

Journal of Marketing Management

Journal of Marketing Communications

Journal of Product and Brand Management

Journal of product innovation management

Electronic Resources: (including websites)

**WGSN** 

Kantar Fashion World Panel

**Fashion Monitor** 

Euromonitor: Luxury Goods database

Drapersonline.com Showstudio.com

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