WINE 101 Course Outline as of Fall 2024

CATALOG INFORMATION

Dept and Nbr: WINE 101 Title: WINE SALES

Full Title: Wine Sales

Last Reviewed: 12/12/2023

Units		Course Hours per Week	: 1	Nbr of Weeks	Course Hours Total	
Maximum	1.50	Lecture Scheduled	1.50	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	26.25
Minimum	1.50	Lab Scheduled	0	6	Lab Scheduled	0
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	1.50		Contact Total	26.25
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 52.50 Total Student Learning Hours: 78.75

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade or P/NP

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly: AG 175

Catalog Description:

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Prerequisites/Corequisites:

Recommended Preparation:

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Limits on Enrollment:

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ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:

AS Degree: Area Effective: Inactive: CSU GE: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

IGETC: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

CSU Transfer: Effective: Inactive:

UC Transfer: Effective: Inactive:

CID:

Certificate/Major Applicable:

Both Certificate and Major Applicable

COURSE CONTENT

Student Learning Outcomes:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Describe the three-tier system of wine distribution, including the use of brokers and distributors in wine sales and distribution.
- 2. Analyze the costs of distribution of wine products including margins, mark-ups, freight, and taxes.
- 3. Describe wine sales management and import/export of wines.

Objectives:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Describe wine distribution methods in differing wine markets, including the three-tier system and direct sales to consumers.
- 2. Define the role of wine distribution and distribution trends and recognize and discuss the roles of wine brokers: managing distributor's sales versus direct selling to accounts.
- 3. Calculate projected pricing in markets; wine costs, freight, taxes, broker commissions, distributors and retail mark-ups, and sales tax.
- 4. Describe the cultural, regional end user and structural differences in the United States wine market.
- 5. Define the difference between the retail wine market and restaurant sales and describe the "push" versus allocation method of wine marketing.
- 6. Describe successful methods of wine sales management, including classification of accounts, program preplanning, and management by objectives, sales incentives, and contests.
- 7. Describe the import and export of wines.

Topics and Scope:

- 1. Introduction to Wine Distribution in the United States
 - A. History and economic importance of the wine industry
 - B. The development of wine sales and distribution methods and techniques
 - C. Social, economic, and regional trends in wine distribution
 - D. Regulatory requirements for wine sales and distribution
- 2. The Three-Tier System of Wine Distribution
 - A. The economic role of distributors and brokers
 - B. Trends in the use of distributors and brokers
 - C. Managing distributor sales versus direct account sales
- 3. Wine Marketing Pricing Costs and Profits
 - A. Product costs including product and packaging
- B. Distribution and shipping costs including freight, warehousing, taxes, broker commissions and distributor mark-ups.
 - C. Retail/restaurant costs including mark-up or margin and taxes applicable to account type
- D. Projected final price to consumer based on all the cost components in the distribution system
- 4. Wine Market Differences in the United States
 - A. How trends in wine variety, quality, and price point vary by market
 - B. How consumer expectation of sustainable wine practices is impacting wine marketing
 - C. How wine consumption varies geographically
 - D. How social, economic, and cultural differences affect wine sales
 - E. How open states versus control states vary in wine distribution
- 5. Retail Versus Restaurant Sales
 - A. Methods for classifying, targeting, selling and merchandising retail accounts
 - B. Methods of targeting, selling, and training and motivating restaurant accounts to sell wines
- C. Appropriate methods of merchandising wine inventory "push" sales approach versus the allocation method of marketing
- 6. Successful Wine Sales Management Tools and Techniques
 - A. Target account lists
 - B. Goal setting by territory
 - C. Sales motivational incentives
 - D. Wine sales contests and wine trips
- 7. Import and Export of Wines
 - A. Methodology
 - B. Costs
 - C. Practices

Assignment:

- 1. Weekly reading (5-20 pages)
- 2. Written reviews
- 3. Homework problem sets, mark-up, and retail pricing
- 4. Quizzes (2-3)
- 5. Sales presentations
- 6. Final exam

Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

Writing: Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

Written reviews

Writing 5 - 20%

Problem Solving: Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

Homework problems sets

Problem solving 10 - 15%

Skill Demonstrations: All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

Sales presentations

Skill Demonstrations 30 - 45%

Exams: All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

Quizzes; final exam

Exams 35 - 45%

Other: Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

None

Other Category 0 - 0%

Representative Textbooks and Materials:

Wine Marketing and Sales: Success Strategies for a Saturated Market. 2nd ed. Wagner, Paul and Olsen, Janeen and Thach, Liz. Board and Bench Publishing. 2016 (classic). The Wine Bible. MacNeil, Karen. Workman Publishing. 2000 (classic). Instructor prepared materials