

E-Content BBA402- Marketing Management

Lecture 15- Positioning strategy implementation.

Prepared by:- Mr. Raj Kumar, Assistant Professor, Faculty of commerce and management, Rama University Kanpur

Implementing a Positioning Strategy

How can each part of the marketing mix fulfill the positioning statement?



Product

- Is your product, service, or brand capable of delivering everything your positioning statement claims?
- Are any competitors doing it better than you?
- How should you adjust your offering to ensure that it lives up to the promises?

Price

- When it comes to pricing, how are you positioning your offering relative to competitors?
- If pricing is part of your positioning strategy, is your offering well aligned with the price you're asking customers to pay?
- What pricing strategies should you consider in order to compete more effectively?

Place

- Are any distribution-related themes like convenience or availability part of your positioning strategy or competitive advantage?
- If so, what are you doing to ensure that you can live up to what you promise?
- How are you communicating your new positioning approach to distribution and channel partners, and how does it impact them?

Promotions

- How are you translating your positioning strategy into communications with your target audiences?
- What behavioral shift are you trying to create as you launch your new positioning?
- What types of campaigns will you use to introduce the new positioning?
- Which communication tools will be most effective at reaching target audiences?
- What are you doing to coordinate marketing messages and activities across different channels?

Measuring Implementation

- Sales/revenue
- Number of new/returning customers
- Average spending per transaction
- Brand/product awareness or perceptions
- Favorability toward product/service/brand
- New leads or inquiries from inside and outside your target segments
- Web site traffic or social media "buzz"
- Media attention
- Customer Satisfaction
- Return on investment for marketing campaigns and other activities

Practice Questions

What is the difference between a feature and a benefit?

Quick Review

- What are positioning and differentiation, and why are they important to marketing a product or service?
- What is the process of selecting a positioning and differentiation strategy?
- How do marketers develop and evaluate positioning statements based on defined criteria?
- How do marketers reposition products or services? What are the associated risks and complexities?
- What is the process of implementing a positioning strategy?