

## MKT 222: Case Study Guidelines and Rubric

**Overview:** There are three graded case studies in this course. All are designed to allow you to apply retail marketing skills to a real-world situation. Detailed instructions for each case study assignment are provided in each respective module. Summaries of the case studies are as follows:

## • Abercrombie & Fitch (Module Three)

The first case study allows you to apply knowledge you have gained about various types of consumer behavior. In this case study, you will be exploring the SWOT analysis process.

## Rue 21's Location Strategy (Module Four)

This case study allows you to apply knowledge you have gained about retail site location and selection strategy by analyzing Rue 21, a popular clothier for young adults.

## Cheap Chic From Forever 21 (Module Six)

This case study allows you to apply merchandise planning and management concepts learned throughout the module, particularly from a controversy surrounding the Forever 21 expansion strategy.

**Requirements of Submission**: The case studies must follow these guidelines: approximately two pages in length, double spaced, 12-point Times New Roman font, one-inch margins, and APA-style citations.

This activity uses an integrated rubric in Blackboard. Students can view instructor feedback in the Grade Center. For more information, review these instructions.

**Instructor Feedback:** Students can find their feedback in the Grade Center.

Critical Elements	Exemplary (100%)	Proficient (85%)	Needs Improvement (55%)	Not Evident (0%)	Value
Main Elements	Includes all of the main elements	Includes most of the main	Includes some of the main	Does not include any of the	30
	and requirements and cites	elements and requirements and	elements and requirements	main elements and	
	multiple examples to illustrate	cites many examples to illustrate		requirements	
	each element	each element			
Inquiry and Analysis	Provides in-depth analysis that	Provides in-depth analysis that	Provides in-depth analysis	Does not provide in-depth	20
	demonstrates complete	demonstrates complete	that demonstrates complete	analysis	
	understanding of multiple	understanding of some concepts	understanding of minimal		
	concepts		concepts		
Critical Thinking	Draws insightful conclusions that	Draws informed conclusions that	Draws logical conclusions	Does not draw logical	20
	are thoroughly defended with	are justified with evidence	but does not defend with	conclusions	
	evidence and examples		evidence		



Research	Incorporates many scholarly	Incorporates some scholarly	Incorporates very few	Does not incorporate scholarly	20
	resources effectively that reflect	resources effectively that reflect	scholarly resources that	resources that reflect depth	
	depth and breadth of research	depth and breadth of research	reflect depth and breadth of	and breadth of research	
			research		
Writing	No errors related to organization,	Minor errors related to	Some errors related to	Major errors related to	10
(Mechanics/	grammar and style, and citations	organization, grammar and style,	organization, grammar and	organization, grammar and	
Citations)		and citations	style, and citations	style, and citations	
				Earned Total	100%