

Service Science
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Grades Six short papers 10 points each
Four quizzes 5 points each
Final paper 20 points

Assignments

Sept 14	Two-page paper due: Describe a specific <i>service</i> you use, explaining how it relates to Teboul's or another (from the reading list) definition of service.
Sept 28	Two-page paper due: Describe the role you play as <i>customer</i> of a service business you use often. What do you have to know? What kind of work do you do?
Oct 12	Two-page paper due: Pick two different types of service organizations in different industries that you frequent often, for example, Bank America (banking) and TGI Friday's (eating out)---but don't pick these examples! For each type of service, identify the various factors that you think affect your overall satisfaction with the <i>quality</i> that service provides you.
Oct 26	Two-page paper due: Propose a possible topic of your final paper. Your final paper must <i>pose a question about service or a question for service science</i> more broadly, and then provide a thoughtful, well-reasoned

discussion of the issues related to it. This two-page proposal should briefly describe the question your final paper will address.

Nov 9	Two-page paper due: Describe how <i>technology</i> has changed your interaction with three services in the last several years. Are you more or less satisfied with the new service models? Why?
Nov 23	Two-page paper due: How many <i>service systems</i> do you participate in during a single day? List as many as you can, describe the role you play, and who or what else plays a substantial role.
Dec 7	Final paper due: Maximum length, 5 pages (plus references).

Ground Rules and Other Useful Information

Being in Class

When you're in class, be in class. If you have a laptop, use it to take notes or look things up that are related to the class or to the discussion, but please don't use it for any non-class activities. It's simple: Pay attention, ask questions, participate.

Papers

All papers must be double-spaced with one-inch margins on all sides, and formatted in a legible font (such as Times Roman) with font-size 12. All papers must be clearly written (see Strunk and White's classic, *Elements of Style*), and must be proofread so they contain minimal typos and disfluencies.

Short Papers: Maximum length, two pages

Each of six short, two-page papers is worth 10 points. Details are above.

Quizzes

Pop quizzes will be given during four different class periods. Each will consist of several multiple-choice and short-answer questions based on required readings and class lectures. Each will also contain extra credit questions based on optional readings.

Final Paper: Maximum length, 5-pages

The final paper must (1) pose a question about service or a question for service science more broadly, and (2) provide a thoughtful, well-reasoned discussion of the issues related to it. All papers must include references to at least five published articles, chapters, or books that are **not** on the required reading list. You can use web sources such as wikipedia, but not more than two web sources. References must be formatted in a standard style, either following *The Chicago Manual of Style*, the *Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association*, or some other standard.

Turning in Work; Late or Missing Work

Papers must be turned in through UCMCROPS by midnight the day they are due. If you have a problem with this, contact me. Papers can be turned in up to a week late; points will be deducted for late work. If you have a problem with this, contact me. Quizzes will be given in class. There will be no make up quizzes. If you have a problem with this, contact me.

Cheating and Academic Honesty

Don't cheat. Like all universities, UC Merced has a formal policy on this:
<http://studentlife.ucmerced.edu/2.asp?uc=1&lvl2=121&lvl3=121&lvl4=123&contentid=171>.

Disability Services

UC Merced is committed to ensuring equal academic opportunities and inclusion for students with disabilities (see <http://disability.ucmerced.edu/>). If you need any assistance, please let me know.

Office Hours and Contact

I have no scheduled office hours. But I expect to be on campus most Mondays, so if you'd like talk, contact me to set up a time, preferably by email to pmaglio@ucmerced.edu. And please feel free to contact me with any type of issue or question you have about the class. If you send email, please put MGMT 150 or COGS 152 in the subject line or else I may miss it.

What will you learn in this course?

The US economy – and economies of all industrialized nations – are made primarily of service jobs (about 80% of jobs in the US are service jobs), and the gross domestic product comes primarily from service (more than 70% in the US). So chances are that when you get out of school, you are going to be working in a service job or in the service sector.

In this course, you will learn about service. You will learn what service is, why it is different from other sectors and other jobs, and why it is important. You will learn about problems in service, such as measuring performance, increasing quality, and creating innovations. You will learn how some have recently begun to study service from a variety of different perspectives – including social sciences, cognitive science, management, engineering, and others – to address these problems. This new approach is called *service science*. You will learn how this kind of interdisciplinary research might be effective in studying and understanding service. In the end, you will be able to have an informed and intelligent conversation about the nature of service, how to think about measurement in service, and how to increase innovation in service. And you will be (at least a little more) ready for the workforce you are about to enter.

So what is service science, anyway?

Service science is the study of service, which can be broadly defined as actions that one takes on behalf of another (such as washing a car or managing web servers). But there really is no such thing as service science today – there is no single accepted, integrated, interdisciplinary scientific study of the service economy or of service jobs. Service science is more like a movement whose goal is to focus attention on service-related problems. Service science is emerging. Its basic unit of analysis is the *service system*, a configuration of people, technologies, and other resources that interact with other service systems to create mutual value. Many systems can be viewed as service systems, including families, cities, and companies, among many others. Just as computer scientists work with formal models of algorithms and computation, someday service scientists will work with formal models of service systems.

More precisely, *service* is the application of resources (including competences, skills, and knowledge) to make changes that have value for another entity. For instance, in information technology (IT) outsourcing services, a service provider operates computing infrastructure for a service client. The provider augments the client's capabilities, taking on responsibility for monthly service-level agreements and year-over-year productivity improvements. The formal representation and modeling of service systems is nascent, largely because of the complexity of modeling people, their knowledge, activities, and intentions. Service system complexity is a function of the number and variety of people, technologies, and organizations linked in value-creation networks, such as professional reputation systems of a single kind of knowledge worker or profession, work systems composed of multiple types of knowledge workers, enterprise systems, industrial systems, national systems, and even the global service system. Knowledge workers depend on their knowledge, tools, and social-organizational networks to solve problems, be productive, continually develop, and generate and capture value. Service science must combine formal models with models of human behavior to understand service systems.

Readings

Book (Available at the UC Merced Bookstore)

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Articles and Chapters (Available through UCMCROPS)

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Optional Readings (Available through UCMCROPS)

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Syllabus

Aug 31	Lecture 1: Background Reading: Bryson & Daniels (in press), Chesbrough & Spohrer (2006) Teboul (2006), Chapter 1 Zysman (2006) Optional: Hill (1977), Hill (1999) Lovelock (1983), Herzenberg et al (1999)
Sept 14	Lecture 2: Marketing Reading: Schneider & Bowen (in press) Teboul (2006), Chapter 2 – 3 Optional: Vargo & Morgan (2005) First Assignment Due
Sept 21	Lecture 3: Customers Reading: Chase (1978), Chase (in press) Prahalad & Ramaswamy (2000), Sampson (in press) Teboul (2006), Chapter 4 Optional: Chase & Dasu (2001), Sampson & Froehle (2006)
Sept 28	Lecture 4: Management Reading: Heskett et al (1994), Heskett & Sasser (in press) Hagel & Singer (2000) Teboul (2006), Chapter 5, Chapter 9 Optional: Karmarkar (2004), Karmarkar (in press) Quinn, Doorley & Paquette (1990) Second Assignment Due
Oct 5	Lecture 5: Quality Reading: Bitner et al (in press) Teboul (2006), Chapter 6 – 7 Optional: Frei (2006), Stewart & Chase (1999)

Oct 12	Lecture 6: Self Service Reading: Bitner et al (2002), Bitner et al (2008), Moon & Frei (2000) Optional: Schultze & Bhappu (2005) Third Assignment Due
Oct 19	Lecture 7: Collaboration Reading: Clark & Brennan (1991), Hutchins (1995) Maglio, Kandogan & Haber (2008) Optional: Johnson et al (2005), Klein et al (2005)
Oct 26	Lecture 8: Design Reading: Glushko (in press), Glushko & Tabas (2009) Teboul (2006), Chapter 8 Optional: Mills & Moberg (1982), Shapiro et al (1992) Fourth Assignment Due
Nov 2	Lecture 9: Service Innovation Reading: Miles (in press), Normann & Ramirez (1993) Teboul (2006), Chapter 10 Optional: Chesbrough & Davies (in press), Miles (2008)
Nov 9	Lecture 10: Service Systems Reading: Frei (2008) Maglio et al (2006), Maglio et al (2009), Spohrer et al (2007) Optional: Alter (2008) Fifth Assignment Due
Nov 16	Lecture 11: Service-dominant Logic Reading: Vargo & Lusch (2004), Vargo et al (in press) Optional: Lovelock & Gummesson (2004)
Nov 23	Lecture 12: Service Science Reading: Spohrer & Maglio (2008), Maglio & Spohrer (2008) Optional: Blomberg, (2008), Gadrey (2002) Sixth Assignment Due
Nov 30	<i>No Lecture</i>
Dec 7	Lecture 13: Future Reading: Fisk & Grove (in press) Gummesson (in press) Spohrer & Maglio (in press) Optional: IfM & IBM (2008), Palmisano (2006) Final Paper Due