STAGE 2

Module	Marketing Management and Research
Course code	BAIHH-MMR
Credits	5
Allocation of marks	40% Continuous Assessment
	60% Final Examination

Intended Module Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this module, the learner will be able to:

- 1. Assess the main tasks and concepts associated with marketing management and the marketing research process
- 2. Illustrate an understanding of the underlying concepts of marketing research, such as, market segmentation, targeting and positioning and their impact on marketing management decisions
- 3. Examine the important changes that the Internet and web-based technologies, such as social media and mobile applications, are making to the hospitality marketplace.
- 4. Assess the effectiveness and performance of a marketing plan to include the marketing mix strategy
- 5. Explain the factors influencing buyer behaviour in both the traditional and online channels
- 6. Employ skill in the design and presentation of examples of research methods.
- 7. Discuss the international trends and changes in the marketing environment, as they relate to the international hospitality industry
- 8. Discuss ideas clearly and professionally.

Module Objectives

This module builds on the 'Principles of Services Marketing' module studied in Stage 1 of the programme. The module is designed to provide learners with an integrated knowledge of strategic issues in marketing to include market research and their implications for management decision-making. Using an integrated approach in the module delivery enables the research process to be understood and applied concurrently.

Module Curriculum

Introduction to Marketing Management and Research:

- Defining Marketing in the Hospitality and Travel Industry
- Marketing fundamentals
- The characteristics of a marketing orientation
- Reasons for Increased Importance of Marketing in the Hospitality Industry

The Marketing Environment:

Micro Environmental factors:

- The organization
- Suppliers
- o Intermediaries
- Competition
- Customers
- Macro Environmental Factors:
 - Demographic
 - Economy
 - Social/Cultural factors
 - Technology
 - o Political/Legal
 - The Natural environment

Services Marketing

- Characteristics of Services Marketing
- 7P's and their application in Hospitality and Travel Marketing
- Implications for the Marketing Mix on-line
- Managing Differentiation

Digital Marketing

- Website navigation
- Search Engine Optimisation
- Online bookings and up-selling
- Electronic distribution channels and linkages
- Social media
- Mobile technology and consumer generated media

Buyer Behaviour

- Decision-making process
- Traditional channels and online
- Influences on the decision

The Marketing Plan

- Purpose and benefits of a plan
- Goals, objectives, strategies and tactics

Market Segmentation

- Segmentation
- Targeting
- Positioning

Marketing Research 1

- Types of Research
- The Research Process
- Primary versus Secondary
- Quantitative versus Qualitative

Marketing Research 2

Data Collection Methods

- Interviews
- Questionnaires
- Observation