# Wendy Ritz Doctorate of Business Administration

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# **EDUCATION**

D.B.A. Doctor of Business Administration, Coles College of Business,

Kennesaw State University (AACSB Accredited), Kennesaw, GA

July 2013

Concentration: Marketing

M.B.A. University of West Florida, Pensacola, FL, 2007

B.S. University of West Florida, Pensacola, FL, Management Information

Systems with minor in Management, 2005

# RESEARCH

#### **Research Interests**

<u>Personal selling and sales management:</u> the optimal marketing strategies for sales force when matched with the firm's pricing strategies.

<u>Digital marketing strategy:</u> the use of websites, blogs, mobile, and data analytics to optimize sales growth and a competitive advantage.

<u>Business ethics:</u> the need for a balanced focus on the virtues and compliance to change corporate cultures and improve business growth.

<u>International marketing:</u> the intersection of international cultural pressures and marketing management strategies.

#### **Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles**

Wendy Ritz, Marco Wolf, and Shaun McQuitty, "Digital Marketing Adoption and Success for Small Businesses," *Journal of Research in Interactive Marketing*, Accepted December 9, 2018. In print March 2019.

Wendy Ritz, Michelle D. Steward, Felicia N. Morgan, and Joseph F. Hair Jr., "When Sales and Marketing Aren't Aligned, Both Suffer," *Harvard Business Review*, June 1, 2018. https://hbr.org/2018/06/when-sales-and-marketing-arent-aligned-both-suffer

Peter Rhea, Alan Kolp, Wendy Ritz, and Michelle D. Steward, "Corporate Ethics Can't Be Reduced to Compliance," *Harvard Business Review*, April 29, 2016. https://hbr.org/2016/04/corporate-ethics-cant-be-reduced-to-compliance

# **Peer Reviewed Book Chapter**

Marco Wolf, Wendy Ritz, (2018). When Sharing Was a Necessity: A Historical Perspective of Collaborative Consumption in East Germany. In Pia Albinsson and Yasanthi Perera, *The Rise of the Sharing Economy: Challenges and Consumption* Santa Barbara, CA: Praeger Publishing.

# **Refereed Conference Presentations and Proceedings**

Marco Wolf and Wendy Ritz, "From Beer to Business: Prosumer Activities Fueling Thoughts of Going Pro," *Society for Marketing Advances Conference*, October 31 – November 3, 2018, West Palm Beach, FL. Best Paper in Entrepreneurship Track; Best Conference Paper.

L. Joie Hain and Wendy Ritz, "Enterprise Marketing Variation Model: Scalable Project Resulting in High Student and Community Impact," *Society for Marketing Advances Conference*, October 31 – November 3, 2018, West Palm Beach, FL.

L. Joie Hain, Wendy Ritz, "Growing Technology Expertise through Team Teaching," *Society for Marketing Advances Conference*, November 1-4, 2017, Louisville, KY.

Beth Hogan, Wendy Ritz, Nick Acord, "Improving Healthcare Quality via Push and Pull Strategies for Patient Education," *Association for Marketing & Health Care Research Conference*, February 24-26, 2016, Crested Butte, CO.

Marco Wolf, Wendy Ritz, "Digital Marketing Strategy Adoption and Success for Small Businesses: An Examination of DIY Behaviors," *Society for Marketing Advances Conference*, November 4-7, 2015, San Antonio, TX. Best Paper Award for Marketing Technology Track

Beth Hogan, Justin Keeling, and Wendy Ritz, "A Logo Development in Healthcare: Is There a Standard?" *Association for Marketing & Health Care Research Conference*, February 25-28, 2015, Steamboat Springs, CO.

# **Work in Progress**

"Masked Profit Loss? When B2B Sales Compensation and Pricing Goals Collide," with Michelle D. Steward, Felicia N. Morgan, and Joseph F. Hair, Jr. Two particular goals of marketing strategy—the goals of the pricing strategy and the goals of the salesforce

compensation strategy—are often designed in different areas of the company. This research focuses on the impact of the goal combinations of these strategies on B2B salespeople. In particular, misaligned goals are scrutinized. An often divided focus of marketing on products and services versus sales' concentration on customers and competition is exacerbated in B2B markets which include varying channels, regions, and industries. This research presents a multi-method approach to understanding the interplay of pricing and sales force strategies through an experiment with salespeople, and interviews before and after the experiment. Submitted May 2018 to *Journal of Business and Industrial Marketing*. Revised and Resubmitted January 2, 2019.

"From Transactions to Journeys: The Evolution of B2B Buying Process Modeling," with Michelle D. Steward, James A. Narus, Michelle L. Roehm. Consultants and pundits assert that the business-to-business (B2B) buying process has changed markedly in recent years due to the emergence of online, digital applications and software. Recognizing that impactful, and truly innovative future research is perhaps best created when built on the foundation of past science, we review the arc of B2B buying process modeling from 1956 to the present. Our goals with this research are to: 1. capture the genealogy and evolution of thinking across the years in terms of foundation theories, reasoning approach, types of models, factors researched, and journals in which articles were published, 2. identify the thematic inflection points in the research stream that have led to the current conceptualizations, and 3. suggest a research agenda for the future. Revised and resubmitted to *Industrial Marketing Management*, February 28, 2019.

"Bay County Growth and Capacity Report," with Eren Ozgen, Savannah Hatcher and other FSUPC baccalaureate candidates. An independent report compiled for the Bay County Florida's Bay Defense Alliance, and Bay Economic Development Alliance which includes pre and post Hurricane Michael situational analysis, SWOT analysis, and recommendations for future growth pertaining to specific subsectors. Specific subsectors include employment, housing, transportation, infrastructure, military presence, education, healthcare, and quality of life; all of which have implications for businesses in search of new operation sites. August 2018- report due May 2019.

#### **Awards and Recognitions**

Steven J. Shaw Best Paper in Conference Award. Society of Marketing Advances Conference, West Palm Beach, FL, November 2018.

Fayetteville State University, School of Business and Economic' Outstanding Researcher Award. November 30, 2016.

Export Achievement Certificate, United States Department of Commerce, award presented for achievements in the global marketplace. Award presented by Congresswoman Debbie Wasserman Schultz (Florida), April 20, 2013.

Finalist, Business Marketing Doctoral Support Award Competition, Institute for the Study of Business Markets, Pennsylvania State University, October 2011.

# **TEACHING**

# **Teaching Experience**

Assistant Teaching Professor of Marketing, Florida State University Panama City, July 2017- Present. Undergraduate courses: Sales and Personal Selling, Sales Management, International Marketing, Consumer Analytics, Entrepreneurial Marketing.

Assistant Professor of Marketing, Fayetteville State University, August 2013 – May 2017. Undergraduate courses: Sales and Personal Selling, Sales Management, International Marketing, Entrepreneurial Marketing (hybrid), Principles of Marketing. Graduate courses: Digital-Modern Marketing (Online and Face-to-Face), Marketing Management (Online and Face-to-Face), Fundamentals of Marketing (Online and Face-to-Face).

**Assistant Director of Global Internship Program- Auburn University,** April 2015- July 2015 Faculty advisor for 41 students (eight student teams) working on sales and marketing programs for six different Italian companies. On site for two months in Rome, Italy.

Quality Matters Rubric Standards for Online Teaching and Course Construction (includes training and certificate from Quality Matters (QM) Rubric through Kennesaw State University's Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETL) Center. Course facilitates a QM standard for design, development, and delivery of online courses. August 2012

#### **Proficiencies-**

- -Netsuites
- -Oracle
- -SEO AdWords Certificate
- -Learning management systems (Canvas, Blackboard, NC-Sara Certified, Quality Matters (Online) Certification.
- -Skilled in data collection from Capital IQ as well as data analysis using multivariate statistical techniques in SPSS, Amos, SmartPLS, and ATLAS.ti

# **Teaching Evaluations**

Florida State University	<u>Term</u>	Section	New Prep	Average Score
MAR 3023 Basic Mar	Spring 2019	14396	No	
MAR 4156 Intl Marketing	Spring 2019	14398	No	
MAR 4403 Sales Mgmt	Spring 2019	14400	No	
MAN 3600 Intl Business	Fall 2018	12920	No	4.25
MAR 3400 Prof. Selling	Fall 2018	14349	No	4.60
MAR 4939/HFT 4502 Ent Mar	Fall 2018	12917	Yes	Cross listed
MAR 4905 DIS	Fall 2018	16618	Yes	Students $\leq 5$
MAR 3023 Basic Mar	Sum 2018	5245	Yes	Students $\leq 5$
MAR 4156 Intl Marketing	Spring 2018	13274	Yes	Students $\leq 5$

MAR 4403 Sales Mgmt	Spring 2018	13283	Yes	4.60
MAR 4524 Analytics/Big Data	Spring 2018	13277	Yes	Students $\leq 5$
MAN 3600 Intl Business	Fall 2017	12920	Yes	Students $\leq 5$
MAR 3400 Prof. Selling	Fall 2017	14349	Yes	Students $\leq 5$
MAR 4939 Marketing Seminar	Fall 2017	12917	Yes	Students $\leq 5$
Fayetteville State University	<u>Term</u>	<u>Section</u>	New Prep	Average Score*
International Marketing	Fall 2013	7203	Yes	4.57
Sales & Personal Selling	Fall 2013	7201	Yes	4.85
Entrepreneurial Marketing	Fall 2013	7199	Yes	4.69
Sales & Personal Selling	Spring 2014	2695	No	4.82
Sales Management	Spring 2014	2698	Yes	4.67
Principles of Marketing	Spring 2014	3305	Yes	5.00
Sales and Personal Selling	Fall 2014	7240	No	4.89
Entrepreneurial Marketing	Fall 2014	6460	No	4.50
Principles of Marketing	Fall 2014	6456	No	4.87
MBA- Digital Marketing	Spring 2015	2463	Yes	5.00
MBA- Digital Marketing	Spring 2015	2465	Yes	4.46
Principles of Marketing	Spring 2015	2731	No	4.90
Sales Management	Spring 2015	2911	No	4.60
MBA- Foundations in Marketing	Fall 2015	6498	Yes	4.93
MBA- Foundations in Marketing	Fall 2015	6502	Yes	4.11
Entrepreneurial Marketing	Fall 2015	6311	No	4.54
Principles of Marketing	Fall 2015	6308	No	4.63
MBA- Digital Marketing	Spring 2016	2808	No	4.54
MBA- Digital Marketing	Spring 2016	2803	No	4.68
Sales and Personal Selling	Spring 2016	2953	No	4.72
Sales Management	Spring 2016	2955	No	4.75
Entrepreneurial Marketing	Fall 2016	6499	No	4.73
International Marketing	Fall 2016	7243	No	4.75
MBA Foundations Marketing	Fall 2016	6106	Yes	4.39
MBA Foundations Marketing	Fall 2016	6707	Yes	4.54
Sales and Personal Selling	Spring 2017	2746	No	4.47
MBA Modern Marketing	Spring 2017	2154	No	4.48
MBA Modern Marketing	Spring 2017	2178	No	4.77

<sup>\*</sup>Fayetteville State University summary score based on a five point scale anchored by 5= Really helped learning, 1 =Did not help learning. Fayetteville State University considers 3.75 as satisfactory for tenure and promotion.

Received the highest teaching evaluation scores across all faculty in Management, Marketing, and Entrepreneurship for both, my first and second academic year.

# SERVICE ACTIVITIES AND PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

#### **Service to the Profession**

- Direct Selling Education Foundation Fellow- Serving as a judge at the Direct Selling Association National Conference, San Diego, CA June 17-19.
  - o Serving as a DSEF Fellow from 2017 to current. Participation in DSEF event at Rollins College, October, 12 2018.
  - o Invited to attend Direct Selling Association Annual Conference in Austin, TX June 2-4, 2019. Serving as Judge for company pitch competition.
- Associate Editor for Journal of Global Scholars of Marketing Science November 2016 November 2021. Global journal on ABDC Journal Listing. Personal Selling and Sales Management. Five reviewing editors
- Track Chair, Personal Selling & Sales Management, Society for Marketing Advances Conference 2016, Buckhead/Atlanta, GA
- Program Committee member, Session Chair- 19<sup>th</sup> AMS World Marketing Congress, Paris, France July 2016
- Reviewer, Selling Strategy Track, for National Conference in Sales Management 2016
- Session Chair, Branding: Emotion and Management Track, Society for Marketing Advances Conference 2015, San Antonio, TX.
- Reviewer, Journal of Marketing Theory and Practice, 2015-present
- Reviewer, Selling Strategy Track, for National Conference in Sales Management 2014
- Reviewer, Sales Track, Society for Marketing Advances Conference 2014
- Session Chair, Profitable Selling Track, Academy of Marketing Science World Marketing Conference 2012
- Discussant, The Role of Satisfaction in Travel and Tourism Track, Society for Marketing Advances Conference 2011

# **Professional Memberships**

- Society for Marketing Advances
- Direct Selling Education Foundation (Fellow)
- Beta Gamma Sigma

#### **Service to Community**

- Bay County Chamber of Commerce- Military Affairs Committee FSUPC representative September 2018- current
- Coauthor of Bay County Growth and Capacity report Bay Defense Alliance August 2018-curent. Worked with Dr. Eren Ozgen and student Savannah Hatcher to create an assessment of the county's growth opportunities for the purposes of attracting businesses and additional tenants for the local military bases.

#### PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

University of West Florida- Small Business Development Center, Pensacola, Florida How to Use Social Media to Enhance Brand/Company Engagement, January 16, 2013 Social Media: Managing Your Content and Your Time, June 11, 2013

**Seal Aftermarket Products-** Bassano del Grappa, Italy

This seminar introduced brand strategies and inventory processes that may facilitate profit maximization. 68 participants.

# Seal Aftermarket Products-Pembroke Park, Florida

Five day sales management program included: 1) reviewing key account history; 2) developing appropriate sales strategies for different market and channel customers for the following year and forecasting methods; 3) explaining new product offering and target markets; 4) creating intrapreneurial linkages. 6 attendees; December 2010. 8 attendees; December 2009.

**Automechanika Dubai**- First free instructional seminar held at the trade show. Attendees were schooled on performance characteristics of various rubber compounds. Some problem and solution scenarios were discussed. 27 participants; May, 2009.

# Parker Hannifin Corp, Seal Aftermarket Products Division- Pembroke Park, FL and Rossford, Ohio.

Division Trainer for customer service relationship development initiative. Course objectives: Understand path to developing customer loyalty through overall experience building, benchmarking, and knowledge building. Be capable of creating customer surveys that measure customer satisfaction, needs identification, and the provision of effective solutions. Improve employee awareness of the daily opportunities to create or enable a positive customer experience. 6 seminars; 104 total participants; May and June, 2008.

**Seal Aftermarket Products**, Venezuela (Maracaibo, Barquisimeto, Caracas) Through the solicitation of corporate sponsors, I was able to create an educational program which provided the foundation to enable learners to get a job in the field of automatic transmission repair. Since 2002, this program has logged more than 7,500 participants.

#### INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

# **Assistant Teaching Professor**

Florida State University Panama City, FL

July 2017- current. Taught sales and marketing to undergraduate students.

#### **Assistant Professor**

# Fayetteville State University, Fayetteville, NC

August 2013- May 2017. Taught marketing to undergraduates and graduate students (Courses listed below). MBA courses involved teaching and guiding more than 200 students, 30 businesses through digital marketing strategies which included SEO, social media, content marketing, and event marketing.

# Assistant Director of International Internships Auburn University, Auburn, AL/ Rome, Italy

May 2015- August 2015. Worked with 90 students and 8 local companies in the creation, implementation and evaluation of marketing strategies.

# **Sales Consultant**

# GFX Corporation, Miami, FL

June 1, 2014- November, 2018. Report directly to the General Manager and Owner. Responsible for identifying international sales growth opportunities. Evaluating marketing strategies and goals.

- Integrated Engineering, Sales, Production Departments to reduce order processing time
- Sales training to improve stable book of business and achieve 20% increase in sales
- Rationalization of inventory to improve resource allocation

# 12 years in international sales management

# **International Sales Manager**

**Seal Aftermarket Products, Distributor of Parker Hannifin,** *Fortune***-250, Miami,** FL July 2010- July 2013. Report directly to the General Manager. Responsible for growing all international sales, managing a five-member global sales staff and the strategic pricing manager, coordinating all international advertising, content marketing, and trade shows, and producing and launching all new product development campaigns.

# **Regional Sales Manager**

Seal Aftermarket Products, Division of Parker Hannifin, Fortune-250, Miami, FL

Sept 2005-July 2010. Reported directly to the General Manager. Global responsibility for all customers in the Automotive Aftermarket that purchase products relating to automatic transmissions and engines. The customer base extends from distributor, production rebuilders, and retail market channels. I managed a global team of six whose members were in Germany, Venezuela, Alabama, California, and Florida.

#### Aftermarket Sales Manager

#### SPX Corporation, Filtran Division, Fortune-500, Miami, FL

Oct 2000-Sept 2005. Reported directly to the General Manager. Responsible for the global Automotive Aftermarket customers that purchase products relating to automatic and manual transmissions and engines. The customer base extends from distributor, production rebuilders, and retail market channels. I managed a global team of eight whose members were located in Germany, California, and Florida.