COURSE OUTLINE:

The course investigates factors influencing the optimal design and management of distribution channels with particular emphasis on sales force management and channel designs for improving efficiency. The objective of the Course is to provide an understanding of Sales Management, with particular emphasis on sales force management.

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COURSE PLAN:

Week 01: Introduction to Sales Management
Week 02: Determining Sales related Marketing Policies, Sales Organization; Sales Department Relations
Week 03: Sales Organization; Sales Department Relations, Planning, Sales Forecasting and Budgeting
Week 04: Buyer-Seller Dyads, Diversity of Personal-selling Situations, Theories of Selling
Week 05: The Selling Process, Sales Force Management
Week 06: Sales Force Management
Week 07: Management of Sales Territory & Management of Sales Quota
Week 08: The Sales Budget, Sales Control, Distribution Channel Management