

# Chapter 2

## **Marketing strategy and plan**

# A couple of things

## Polls for guest speakers

- Zeo McKinnes (Oct. 28):  
<https://doodle.com/poll/fpn456ycx7dzfkwt>
- Rahul Khanna (Nov. 20):  
<https://doodle.com/poll/8fxcx7v36kwdqbsc>

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## 1. Marketing in the news

- <https://www.cnbc.com/video/2019/08/27/facebook-trying-to-beat-snapchat-at-its-own-game-the-verges-newton.html>
- <https://www.cnbc.com/2019/08/27/amazon-eero-secure-and-secure-plus-announced.html>

## 2. Exams

- Define a marketing strategy
- Describe the elements of a marketing plan
- Analyze a marketing situation using SWOT analyses
- Describe how a firm chooses which consumer group(s) to pursue with its marketing efforts
- Outline the implementation of the marketing mix as a means to increase customer value
- Evaluate marketing performance
- Describe how firms grow their business



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Can you name some firms that have a good competitive advantage?



# Competitive Advantage

Advantage over the competition that  
**cannot be easily copied**



Value-based strategies to:

1. **Retain** customers
2. Provide outstanding customer service



Achieved through:

- 1. Efficient operations
  - 2. Excellent supply chain
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- Reduce costs
  - Have the right stock



**GOAL: Provide what customers want, when they want, and at the right price**

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# Location Excellence

“The three most important things in retailing are location, location, location.”



- Located on campus
  - Target students
- Located in malls
  - Target families

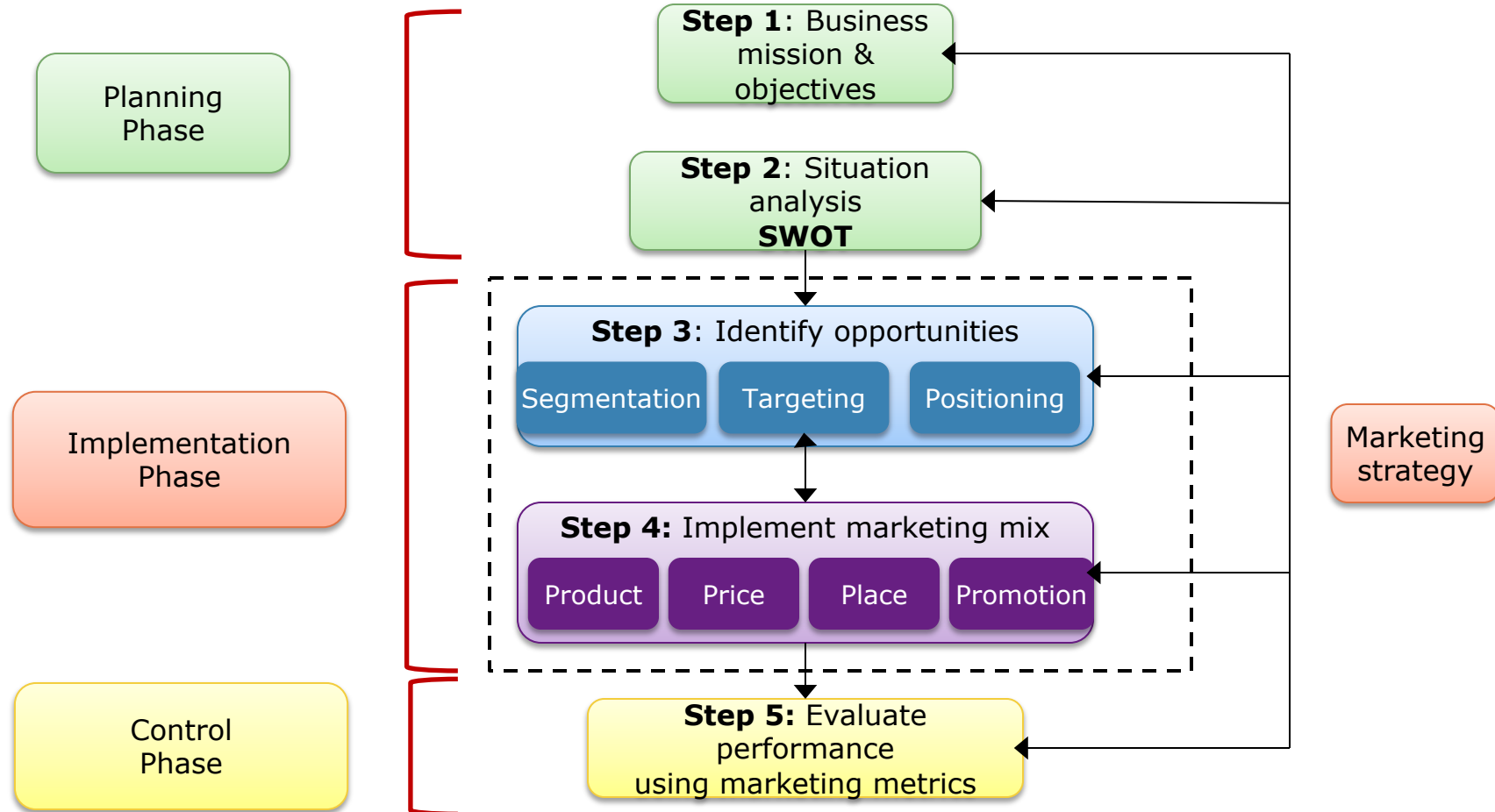


## Use data to:

- Predict consumers needs
- Personalized targeting
- Improve the company product/service



# Marketing Plan



# Step 1: Define the Mission

**Nike's mission statement** is "To bring inspiration and innovation to every athlete\* in the world."

\* "If you have a body, you are an athlete." -- Bill Bowerman

# Step 2: SWOT Analysis

## Conduct a **Situation Analysis** Using SWOT

Example: When McDonald's entered the specialty coffee market:

▼ EXHIBIT 2.4 SWOT Analysis for Starbucks, McDonald's, and Dunkin' Donuts

|                |          | Environment  | Evaluation   |
|----------------|----------|--|--|
|                |          | <i>Positive</i>  | <i>Negative</i>  |
| Starbucks      | Internal | <b>Strengths</b><br>Strong brand identity<br>Retail & grocery store network        | <b>Weaknesses</b><br>Reliance on joint ventures and licensed stores<br>Rapid growth erodes customer experience           |
|                | External | <b>Opportunities</b><br>Expansion in China   | <b>Threats</b><br>Potential saturation of the U.S. market  |
| McDonald's     | Internal | <b>Strengths</b><br>Strong brand identity<br>Global retail store network           | <b>Weaknesses</b><br>Sensitive to changing global markets<br>Price elastic target market                                 |
|                | External | <b>Opportunities</b><br>New product categories<br>Ronald McDonald house            | <b>Threats</b><br>Future sourcing sustainability<br>Customers nonacceptance of McCafe                                    |
| Dunkin' Donuts | Internal | <b>Strengths</b><br>Strong regional brand identity<br>Loyalty program              | <b>Weaknesses</b><br>Mass-market focused<br>Franchise inconsistency  |
|                | External | <b>Opportunities</b><br>Retail store growth in the U.S.<br>Global retail expansion | <b>Threats</b><br>Intense competition in the specialty and overall coffee market<br>Economic instability for franchisees |

## Segmentation

Divide consumers into groups or segments with different needs, wants, or characteristics



## Targeting



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## Positioning

Use the 4P's to clearly define what the product/firm represents



## Step 4: Implement 4Ps

### Apple MacBook



**Product**  
Value Creation

**Price**  
Value Capture

**Place**  
Value Delivery

**Promotion**  
Value  
Communication

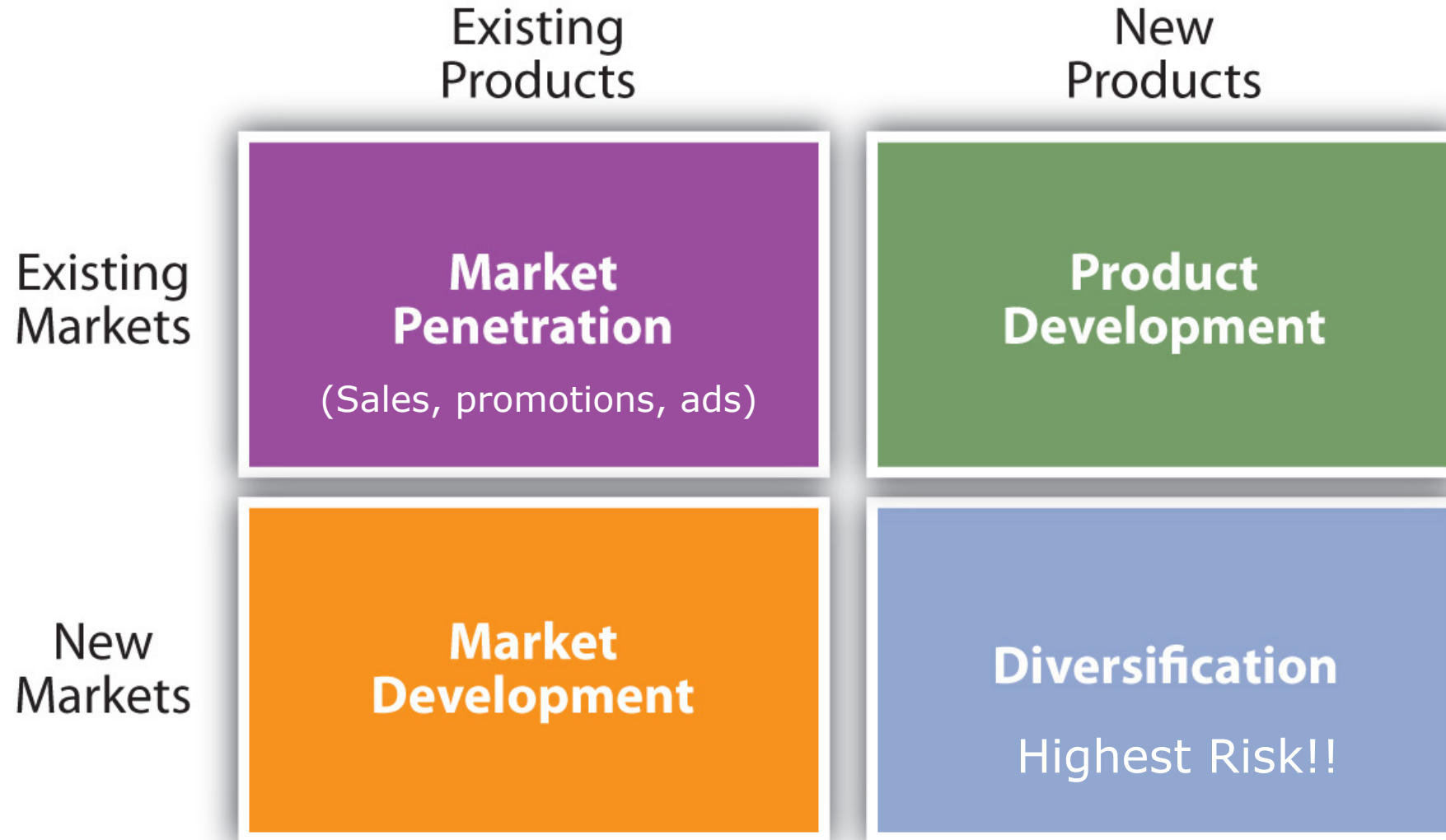
Through extensive **marketing research**, Apple knows what you look for in a laptop, how much you are willing to pay for the features you want, where you will shop, etc.

## Step 5: Evaluate Performance

Using marketing metrics, e.g.,

- **Market share** → % of market accounted by a specific company
- **Market growth rate** (of the market in which the product competes)
- **Revenue**
- ...

# Growth Strategies



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