IMPROVE CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE FROM PURCHASE TO RENEWAL

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Guiding Principles

Customers experience Elsevier not only through products but through all touch-points across the whole journey

Customers want to feel that they are getting good value for money ("expensive but indispensable")

There are different types of customer roles in the process from purchase to renewal

Customers expect Elsevier staff to work as a team (vs disjointed individuals) to solve their problems

Mindset | Thinking | Event | Crucial event | Internal event | * Mandatory event

Elsevier touchpoint | Important Elsevier touchpoint | * Optional touchpoint | Customer flow | Undesired flow

Purchaser | Administrator | End-Users (academic researchers) | Elsevier Contact | Pain point (opportunity) | Email | Website | Survey

1. Purchase

"I want to purchase & sign the agreement"

Is the contract as negotiated?

Finalize agreement
- Set expectations
- Provide contact details
- Set up accounts for all levels of each location
- Define type of users number of accounts, etc.

Face-to-face meeting with Elsevier Account Manager

Contract — SSC
Purchaser receives email with contract attached

myELSEVIER.com
1. Go to 'Cart' and check product and fees
2. Go to 'Order review' and accept license

Sign & send contract

Subscription Agreement

Service brochure
Segmented for Large, Medium, and Small accounts 'Elsevier's Service Promise'

Customer Information Form
Product set-up information
Account contacts:
- Bill to
- Ship to
- Primary contact

Product specific contacts:
- Who sets up account
- Who trains users
- Who promotes the product
- Who receives newsletters

Too many forms used by different teams

Contact info is insufficient to do proper marketing engagement

Customer Information Form — SSC

ADMIN CONTACTS COLLECTED [AS OF MAY 2014]: ••••

2. Activation

Receives invoice — SSC
Complete payment

Within 7 business days after receiving signed contract

Great, I have access now!

Activation email — Marketing
- Welcome to Scopus
- Links to the product
- Links to training materials
- Contact info for support

3 business days after receiving signed contract

CLICK-THROUGH RATE: •••% [JAN-AUG 2013]

OPEN RATE: •••% [JAN-AUG 2013]

ACCOUNTS ACTIVATED: ■ ■ ■ [JAN-AUG 2013]

3. Onboarding

"I want to promote the product"

How do I raise awareness?

Request materials

Receive promotional materials — CC
- Brochures
- User guides
- Posters, handouts, white papers
- Welcome email templates

"Every major Bank has a PERSONAL BANKER. Not because they have to, it's a value-add. Big Banks know that the key to a successful one is truly knowing their customer. Personalization at scale is a library as a ONE SIZE FITS SINGLE MINDSET." Satish M., India, Information Scientist

"I'd like to receive basic information about the product, and then I'll call you if I'm interested in it and to the point. Then it'd be great to receive a follow-up response from the provider with an offer to provide onsite training if necessary." Jeff C., United States, Academic Librarian

"I want to access and use the prodct"

Onboarding call* — CC
Listen to specific needs:
- What has been successful
- Set up account (if needed)
- Establish rollout plan
- Set up account
- Set up account contact method (email/phone)
- User guides & promotional materials

1 week after activation

ONBOARDING CALLS MADE: ■ ■ ■ ■ [JAN-MAY 2014]

Welcome email — Marketing
- Login for Admin/Usage tools
- Information for admins
- Training options
- Links to training materials
- Links to user guides

Newsletter sign-up email — Marketing
- Product news/updates
- Training schedules
- Upcoming seminars & webinars

1 week after activation

Follow-up call* — CC
- Is the product set up correctly?
- Have you received all materials? (promotion, training, user guides)
- Schedule training
- Onboarding satisfaction survey

4 weeks after welcome call

EMAIL NEWSLETTER RECIPIENTS [AS OF MAY 2014]: ••••

Email preference Center on myElsevier — Marketing
- Allow customers to subscribe newsletters to receive
- Indicate areas of interest

Onboarding document — SSC

Onboarding satisfaction survey

ONBOARDING CSAT: ■ ■ ■ % [JAN-AUG 2013]

4. Customer Education & Training

ADMINS RECEIVING UPDATES [AS OF SEPT 2013]: •••

"I want to be kept informed"

How do I know about product issues?

How do I know about product updates?

Receive updates — Marketing
- via RSS feeds
- via DNU (Twitter)
- via newsletters
- via email

Update information is difficult to get
Inconsistent across products
Contact list is incomplete

"I have no idea how. Elsevier keeps me up to date. I feel that they don't. Maybe I am not the key contact person to get this information, but if a change appears, I am definitely not the first to know about it." Greg H., United States, Academic Librarian

Building Customer relationship & loyalty

CC/CM

Elsevier.com
Check for regional events, workshops, conferences and news

Awards
- Nature Award
- Reaxys PhD Prize
- Young Scientist Awards

Newsletters
- Academic Research Brief
- Research Trends
- Product updates
- Seminars and webinars

"I want to learn something that I don't know..."

Conference/ Trade show

Library Connect
- Event
- Webinar
- Newsletter

- Industry
- Policy
- R&D Trends
- Research/Funding
- Librarianship

Author Workshops
350 [2013]
180+ [JAN-AUG 2013]

VISITS TO TRIAL SITE: Scopus
884,401 [2012] 521,832 [JAN-AUG 2013]

VISITS TO INFO SITE: **REAXYS**
•••• [2012] 284,393+ [JAN-AUG 2013]

Agree on date for onsite training

ONSITE TRAININGS (GLOBAL): ••• [2013] ••• [JAN-AUG 2013]

ONLINE TRAININGS (GLOBAL): ••• [JAN-AUG 2013]

Onsite training
Large accounts

"I want myself and/or my users to get trained"

- Train-the-trainer
- Train the user

Product
- Product intro
- Application of product

Admin/Usage tool
- View and create reports
- Account set-up

CC/Trainers

Online live training
Medium/Small accounts/Public

"I want myself and/or my users to get trained"

- Train-the-trainer
- Train the user
- Trainings (public)

Product
- Product intro
- Application of product

Admin/Usage tool
- View and create reports
- Account set-up

CC

Self-paced training
Public

"I want to get trained"

- Training videos
- Webinars

Product
- Product intro
- Sales & Tricks

Admin/Usage tool
- View and create reports
- Account set-up

Product site, WebEx

"Elsevier should conduct awareness training programs at customer premises. This will give publicity to Elsevier products and will create a brand value for the product." Srinivasa Rao K., India, Academic Librarian

Event survey — CC

In Product, Training Desk surveys

5. Health-Checks (after 4 months & 8 months)

"What is the usage in my institution?"

Lookup report

Usage tool
- Access usage tool
- Check usage

Standalone tool
Only for SD and Scopus

SUSHI* report
- *Standardized Usage Harvesting Initiative
- Access SUSHI MISO client
- Check usage

Contact Elsevier

Usage report email
- Receives report by email
- Check usage

Takes time
Requires several manual interactions

Good?

Need to improve?

Not good?

Increase awareness
What are the reasons?
- More promotion?
- More training?

Re-Onboard or re-Train (depends on outcome of health check call)

RED-FLAGS: **10** OUT OF 150 [FEB-MAY 2014]

"Is my institution utilizing the product effectively?"

Not good?

Health check call* — OSCS
Discuss (if applicable):
- How is everything going?
- Is the institution utilizing the product effectively?
- Can we do anything to help you?

1. Account contact
2. Usage Trends
3. Product satisfaction
4. Training attendance/usage
5. Marketing engagement
6. Customer interaction
7. Services interaction

After 6 attempts cancel health check

Takes long time to prepare for the call
Preparation is not standardized

HEALTH-CHECKS COMPLETED: **150** [AS OF MAY 2014]

Health Check document

Opportunities

Dashboard feature on myElsevier.com:
"It would be great to have a dashboard that I could customize so that for information/products that I use would be easily accessed for updates, etc. I don't have time to poke around websites to find out what's new and what's changed with products that I have used and use." Jean H., United States, Information Scientist

"Elsevi has a great administrative tool that allows me to get stats, set up database details, vary search results, and much more. Unfortunately, I rarely have time to explore the university's Elsevi to look and work." Daniel T., USA, Academic, Librarian

6. Pre-renewal (6 months prior to renewal)

Pre-renewal planning call
- Heads up on the renewal and how to be reminded
- Set expectations
- Introduction to MyElsevier [optional]

6 months before contract ends

"I want to renew contract"

"I want to rethink renewing my contract"

Ok, I accept proposal

Negotiations

Listen
- Why did it not meet expectations?
- What is the concern/challenge?
- What can Elsevier do to help?

Propose
- Show how product adds value
- Show ROI
- Offer new subscription price or new conditions

Price transparency

I won't renew

Informs AM about ending contract

Health Check document

LOSS INTERVIEWS [AS OF SEP 2013]: •••

Loss interview report

7. Renewal

Renewal invoice preparation
Receives email with invoice details to confirm:
- Correct?
- Ship to address

Send confirmation

Renewal alert
Receives email notification per agreement separately.

Reminding all part of renewal process

4 days before contract ends

Receives renewal contract
1 months before contract ends

Sign & send contract

Is the contract as negotiated?

myELSEVIER.com

Renewal alert
- Link to MyElsevier
- Go to 'Cart' and check product and fees
- Go to 'Order review' and accept license

7 months before contract ends

Agree to renew

ACTIVE MYELSEVIER ACCOUNTS [AS OF MAY 2014]: ■ ■ ■ ■

Subscription Agreement

Internal Process

AM=Account Manager
CC=Customer Consultant
OSCS=Online Solutions Center
CE=Customer Experience Team
Marketing=Marketing Communications
SSC=Sales Support Coordinator
SSM=Solution Sales Manager

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