

Brand Experience (BX)

Bring your brand promise to life

Unify brand perception and customer experience to fuel loyalty and growth.

Summary

- ▶ Align your brand promise with your customer experience
- ▶ Eliminate siloed data and unify your brand strategy
- ▶ Co-create meaningful experiences with real customer input
- ▶ Turn brand perception insights into actionable improvements
- ▶ Use insight-led tools to optimize how your brand is delivered

Your brand is more than a logo or slogan. It's the promise you make to your customers. Every campaign, product, or interaction shapes how that promise is perceived. But great branding alone won't drive loyalty if the customer experience falls short.

SMG helps brands go beyond awareness by connecting what people believe about your brand with how they actually experience it—so you can deliver on your promise, every time.



What is brand experience?

Brand experience (BX) is the sum of every emotional and practical impression your customers and prospects form, before, during, and after they interact with your business. It includes how your brand is positioned, how it's marketed, and how it's delivered in real life. A powerful BX strategy links brand, marketing, and customer experience (CX) teams around one goal: creating experiences that reflect your brand's core values.

Why it matters

Many brands still treat BX and CX separately, measuring them with different tools and storing data in different systems. That's a missed opportunity. Your brand brings customers in, but it's the experience that keeps them coming back. When there's a disconnect between the promise and the delivery, customers notice and often walk away. SMG brings BX and CX data together, delivering holistic and actionable recommendations to identify gaps, align messaging with reality, and improve both perception and performance.



How SMG can help

Experience Design

Shaping your brand promise and experience shouldn't happen after the fact. It needs to start early, well before customers interact with your brand. SMG helps you design impactful experiences from the ground up with tools that put your customers at the center:



Always-on communities:

Don't wait until after the experience unfolds. Co-create products, services, and touchpoints with real-time feedback from customers and potential customers.



Empathy diaries: Step into your customers' world through video diary content and ongoing access to their everyday lives, helping you craft a brand promise that truly resonates.



Concept testing: Get fast, scalable feedback on packaging and creative concepts using image heatmapping and crowdsourced ideation, so you can launch with confidence.

Brand tracking

Brand tracking helps you understand how customers perceive your brand in real time, so you can see what's working, what's not, and how you compare to the competition. By mapping where audiences fall within the customer journey, you eliminate guesswork and gain clarity on how to convert non-loyals into loyal customers. These insights allow you to fine-tune marketing efforts, improve brand messaging, and make more customer-centric decisions that move the needle.

Brand equity

Brand equity studies take a deeper dive into your brand's positioning. They measure the strength of your brand associations and identify how customers, and even non-customers, perceive your identity. Through strategic analysis and competitive benchmarking, SMG helps you uncover your core differentiators, spot opportunities to reinforce or adjust your brand story, and understand how to better connect with your audience. The result? A brand strategy that's not just compelling but backed by data.

Ready to connect your brand promise with real-world experiences? Reach out to insight@smg.com to learn how SMG's Brand Research solutions can help you grow stronger, smarter, and more connected to your customers.



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