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Classroom: RM 108a (2nd Floor – TD Stadium)

** Classes will be conducted at TD Stadium**

Time Table: Monday / Wednesday 2:30 pm – 4:30 PM, Friday 2:30 pm – 3:30 pm

Course Objectives

1. This activities course will encompass both theoretical and practical aspects of the game of football.
2. Acquisition of fundamental skills and techniques for selected positions on offense, defense, and special teams.

Notes

1. Attendance and punctuality are essential for the operation of the class and allocation of grades.
2. The class will utilize a paired peer teaching and learning format with reciprocal feedback as a standard approach.
3. The Initial Monday session will begin in the TD Waterhouse Stadium classrooms (2nd Floor). The remainder of the classes will begin on the field with a pre-class stretch, weather permitting.

Course Content

This course will cover the basic skills in a variety of football positions. Included in this will be stance and movement, the mechanics of throwing the football, running techniques with the ball, pass receiving techniques, pass defend techniques (man and zone), quarterback-center ball exchange, long snap, punting, and placekicking skills. You will also be introduced to specific details in regards to game play. Included in this will be huddle alignment, play call signals, offensive backfield play, pass routes and combination patterns, motions, and defensive coverage strategies (man and zone).
Course Evaluation
Written Theory Test – 35%
Skills Acquisition Testing – 65%

NOTE: It is strongly recommended that a post-class notebook be utilized to assist in retention of key points.
Course/University Policies

1. **Lateness/Absences**: A missed mid-term examination without appropriate documentation will result in a zero (0) grade. The course policy is not to allow make-ups for scheduled midterms, presentations or final exams, nor to assign a grade of Incomplete without acceptable and verifiable medical (or equivalent compassionate) reasons. Acceptable reasons might include hospital stays, serious illness, family emergencies (like serious accidents or illness, death) or similar circumstances.

2. **Written documentation**: Whenever possible, students who require academic accommodation should provide notification and documentation in advance of due dates, examinations, etc. stating specific reasons and dates. Students must follow up with their professors and their Academic Counseling office in a timely manner. Documentation for any request for accommodation shall be submitted directly, as soon as possible, to the appropriate Academic Counseling Office of the student's Faculty/School of registration not to the instructor, with a request for relief specifying the nature of the accommodation being requested. This documentation should be obtained at the time of the initial consultation with the physician or walk-in clinic. These documents will be retained in the student’s file, and will be held in confidence in accordance with the University's Official Student Record Information Privacy Policy. See https://studentservices.uwo.ca/secure/index.cfm for specific policy and forms relating to accommodation.

3. **Grades**: Where possible assignment objectives and rubrics will be posted on OWL. Should you have a concern regarding the grade you received for an assignment or feel that it is unfair in any way, you must wait 24 hours from the receipt of the assignment to approach the instructor or TA. In doing so, please make an appointment and prepare in writing, with evidence, why you feel your grade is inappropriate. Please be aware that in requesting a grade reassessment, your grade could go up/down/or stay the same. Note that calculations errors (which do occur!) should be brought to my attention immediately.

4. **Scholastic offences**: They are taken seriously and students are directed to read the appropriate policy, specifically, the definition of what constitutes a Scholastic Offence, at the following Web site: http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/handbook/appeals/scholastic_discipline_undergrad.pdf.

A) Computer marked multiple-choice tests and/or exams may be subject to submission for similarity review by software that will check for unusual coincidences in answer patterns that may indicate cheating

5. According to the Examination Conflict policy, “A student who is scheduled to write more than two examinations in any 24-hour period may request alternative arrangements through the office of their Academic Counsellor.” “This policy does NOT apply to mid-term examinations.” There will be no make-up for the mid-term exam. Students who miss this exam with a valid reason will have the final re-weighted accordingly.

6. **Classroom Behaviour**: Class will begin promptly at the time specified at the top of page one of this syllabus. In the event that you must arrive late, please enter the classroom with a minimal disturbance to the class. I reserve the right to lock the classroom door and deny entrance if lateness becomes a common occurrence. Excessive talking during class time is disruptive, disrespectful, and will not be tolerated. Students engaging in such behaviour may be asked to leave the room. Cellular phones, pagers, and text-messaging devices are disruptive when they ring in class. If you must bring these with you, please place them on silent mode or turn them off during class. Failure to do so may result in your being asked to leave.

7. **Laptops for the purpose of typing lecture notes** are permitted in class, but please be respectful to your fellow students and turn the sound off. If I receive complaints from other students regarding noise or other disruptive behaviour (e.g., watching videos on YouTube.com, updating your Facebook status, playing Solitaire), your classroom laptop privileges will be revoked.
8. Audio and/or videotaping of lectures is not permitted unless approval has been sought from the instructor in advance.

STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

The purpose of the Code of Student Conduct is to define the general standard of conduct expected of students registered at Western University, provide examples of behaviour that constitutes a breach of this standard of conduct, provide examples of sanctions that may be imposed, and set out the disciplinary procedures that the University will follow. For more information, visit http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/board/code.pdf

ENGLISH PROFICIENCY FOR THE ASSIGNMENT OF GRADES

Visit the website http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/handbook/exam/english.pdf

SUPPORT SERVICES

There are various support services around campus and these include, but are not limited to:

1. Student Development Centre -- http://www.sdc.uwo.ca/ssd/
2. Student Health -- http://www.shs.uwo.ca/student/studenthealthservices.html
3. Registrar’s Office -- http://www.registrar.uwo.ca/
4. Ombuds Office -- http://www.uwo.ca/ombuds/