Western University Faculty of Health Sciences School of Kinesiology

KIN 4477B - Exercise, Nutrition & Wellness Winter 2021

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Lectures: Asynchronous OWL

Presentation/Discussion Sessions:

Synchronous (30 min/week with several choices available) but recorded and posted on OWL

Instruction Mode: Online lecture/discussion

NOTE: All course information including grades, assignment outlines, deadlines, etc. are available via OWL. Check the website regularly for course announcements.

Calendar Course Description (including prerequisites/anti-requisites): An overview of the impact of nutrition and exercise on selected health and exercise performance measures. Via lecture and reading materials, students will come to appreciate how lifestyle decisions which are under their control can enhance both health and exercise performance.

Antirequisite(s): Kinesiology 4471B (001) 2008-09; Foods and Nutrition 4477A/B.

Prerequisite(s): Kinesiology 3339A/B or Foods and Nutrition 3339A/B.

Extra Information: 3 lecture/discussion group hours/wk.

You are responsible for ensuring that you have successfully completed all course pre-requisites, and that you have not taken an anti-requisite course.

Unless you have either the requisites for this course or written special permission from your Dean to enroll in it, you may be removed from this course and it will be deleted from your record. This decision may not be appealed. You will receive no adjustment to your fees in the event that you are dropped from a course for failing to have the necessary prerequisites.

NOTE: If you wish to enroll in this course without the stated pre-requisite(s), you must obtain written approval from the course instructor. The approval should then be forwarded to your academic counsellor.

My Course Description

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Learning Outcomes/Schedule:

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Recognize how factors largely under their control influence health and wellbeing
- Understand the importance of nutrition and exercise on both length and quality of life

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- Discuss mechanism(s) responsible for optimal health
- Understand scientific method
- Interpret current research findings regarding the effects of nutrition and exercise on health and wellness

Required Course Material/Text:

No required text. All required readings will be posted on OWL.

Course Content

Topics: Obesity

Hypertension

Cardiovascular Disease

Diabetes Osteoporosis

Metabolic Syndrome

Cancer

Cognition/Dementia

Longevity Popular Diets

Exercise Training/Performance

Course Evaluation:

Assignments are due as stated in the course syllabus and will not be accepted late, except under medical or other compassionate circumstances. Submitting a late assignment without appropriate documentation will result in a zero (0) grade. Acceptable reasons include hospital stays, serious illness, family emergencies (like serious accidents, illness or death) or similar circumstances. Due to the size of this class, a makeup midterm quiz is not possible; therefore, if the midterm is missed and appropriate documentation is provided, the point value of the missed quiz will be added to the value of the research proposal assignment (see below).

Evaluation Dates (pending approval)

- A. Midterm Quiz (via OWL) 20% Wed Feb 10, 2021
 - B. "Hot Topic" Presentation (via Zoom, recorded and posted online)15% choice of dates throughout term (selected during the first two weeks)

Group (2-3 students) 10 minute oral presentation of an exercise/nutrition topic of your choice (7 slides maximum; title slide, 5 data slides, references slide). Summary of topic to be made available for class viewing at least one day before talk. All students will be prepared to ask questions of each presentation.

C. Research Proposal (next logical experiment based on Hot Topic review w): 15% - Fri, March 19. 2021

Group (2-3 students) Research proposal of a current nutrition/exercise topic of your choice; format will include an introduction based on previous research, purpose/hypothesis, methods to be used, expected results, and several key references. This proposal is meant to extend the information learned from your hot topic presentation attempting to discover some novel information on the topic ((Limit: one page single spaced with key references on the back; do not include a cover page)

D. Final Exam (Comprehensive) 50% - final exam period

Course/University Policies

- 1. **Academic offences**: 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: https://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic_policies/appeals/scholastic_discipline_undergrad.pdf
- A) Students must write their assignments in their own words. Whenever students use an idea, or a passage from another author, they must paraphrase in their own words an acknowledge their debt

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by using proper referencing (APA style). Plagiarism is a major academic offence (see Scholastic Offence Policy in the Western Academic Calendar). All required papers may be subject to submission for textual similarity review to the commercial plagiarism detection software under license to the University for the detection of plagiarism. All papers submitted for such checking will be included as source documents in the reference database for the purpose of detecting plagiarism of papers subsequently submitted to the system. Use of the service is subject to the licensing agreement, currently between Western University and Turnitin.com http://www.turnitin.com

B) 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.

2. Electronic Device Usage:

During Exams - Unless you have medical accommodations that require you to do so, or explicit permission from the instructor of the course, you may not use any of the following electronic devices during ANY of the tests, quizzes, midterms, examinations, or other in-class evaluations: cellphones, smart phones, smart watches, smart glasses, audio players or recorders of any sort, video cameras, video games, DVD players, televisions, laptop/notebook/netbook computers, flashlights or laser pointers.

During Online Lectures or Discussion Groups Sessions: You are expected to be engaged in the session with your camera on (unless there are bandwidth concerns) and with your microphone muted (unless you are talking).

During In Person Lectures or Tutorials: Although you are welcome to use a computer during lecture and tutorial periods, you are expected to use the computer for scholastic purposes only, and refrain from engaging in any activities that may distract other students from learning. Please be respectful to your fellow students and turn the sound off. If the professor receives complaints from other students regarding noise or other disruptive behavior (e.g. watching videos on YouTube.com, updating your Facebook status, playing Solitaire), your classroom privileges will be revoked. From time to time, your professor may ask the class to turn off all computers, to facilitate learning or discussion of the material presented in a particular class. **Unless explicitly noted otherwise, you may not make audio or video recordings of lectures – nor may you edit, re-use, distribute, or re-broadcast any of the material posted to the course website.**

3. Health and Wellness:

Information regarding health and wellness-related services available to students may be found at http://www.health.uwo.ca/.

Students who are in emotional/mental distress should refer to Mental Health@Western (http://www.health.uwo.ca/) for a complete list of options about how to obtain help.

4. 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 & Wellness -- http://www.health.uwo.ca/
- 3. Registrar's Office -- http://www.registrar.uwo.ca/
- 4. Ombudsperson Office -- http://www.uwo.ca/ombuds/

5. **Documentation for Academic Accommodation (Illness, Medical/Non-Medical Absences)**: http://www.westerncalendar.uwo.ca/PolicyPages.cfm?Command=showCategory&PolicyCategoryID=18SelectedCalendar=Live&ArchiveID=#Page_12

Students who experience an extenuating circumstance (illness, injury, or other extenuating circumstance) sufficiently significant to temporarily render them unable to meet academic requirements may submit a request for academic consideration through the following routes:

(i) Submitting a Self-Reported Absence (see below for conditions)

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(ii) For medical absences exceeding 48 hours, submitting a Student Medical Certificate (SMC) signed by a licensed medical or mental health practitioner to their Academic Counselling in their Faculty of registration in order to be eligible for Academic Consideration; or (iii) For non-medical absences exceeding 48 hours, submitting appropriate documentation (e.g., obituary, police report, accident report, court order, etc.) to Academic Counselling in their Faculty of registration in order to be eligible for academic consideration. Students are encouraged to contact their Academic Counselling unit to clarify what documentation is appropriate.

Students seeking academic consideration must communicate with their instructors no later than 24 hours after the end of the period covered by either the self-reported absence or SMC, or immediately upon their return following a documented absence.

The following conditions are in place for self-reporting of medical or extenuating circumstances:

- a. a maximum of two self-reported absences between September and April and one self-reported absence between May and August;
- b. any absences in excess of the number designated in clause a above will require students to present a Student Medical Certificate (SMC) or appropriate documentation supporting extenuating circumstances to the Academic Counselling unit in their Faculty of registration no later than two business days after the date specified for resuming responsibilities.
- c. The duration of the excused absence will be for a maximum of 48 hours from the time the Self-Reported Absence form is completed through the online portal, or from 8:30 am the following morning if the form is submitted after 4:30 pm:
- d. The duration of the excused absence will terminate prior to the end of the 48 hour period should the student undertake significant academic responsibilities (write a test, submit a paper) during that time; e. The duration of an excused absence will terminate at 8:30 am on the day following the last day of classes each semester regardless of how many days of absence have elapsed; f. Self-reported absences will not be allowed for scheduled final examinations; for midterm examinations scheduled during the December examination period; or for final lab examinations
- g. Self-reporting may not be used for assessments (e.g. midterm exams, tests, reports, presentations, or essays) worth more than 30% of any given course;
- For medical and non-medical absences that are not eligible for self-reporting Kinesiology students must submit an Academic Consideration Request form found online https://www.uwo.ca/fhs/kin/undergrad/files/accommodation request.pdf in addition to an SMC or appropriate documentation in the event of a non-medical absence. 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.
- 6. **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.

Generally, students can expect some form of feedback on their performance in a course before the drop date.

- □ November 12th, 2020 (for first term half-courses)
- □ November 30th, 2020 (for full-year courses)

scheduled during the final week of term;

□ March 7th, 2021 (for second term half-or full year courses)

A+	90-100	One could scarcely expect better from a student at this level
Α	80-89	Superior work that is clearly above average
В	70-79	Good work, meeting all requirements and eminently
С	60-69	Competent work, meeting requirements
D	50-59	Fair work, minimally acceptable.

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F below 50 Fail

Rounding of Grades (for example, bumping a 79 to 80%):

This is a practice some students request. **This practice will not occur here.** The edges of this course are clear and sharp. The mark attained is the mark you achieved and the mark assigned; there is no rounding to the next grade level, or 'giving away' of marks as it is unfair to the students who earned that grade. Please don't ask me to do this for you; the response will be "please review the course outline where this is presented".

7. **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. Please keep all electronic devices on silent and avoid distracting classmates.

8. 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 https://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/board/code.pdf

