In this course we will examine some of the key historical issues related to the development of sport in Canada, using the concepts of race, class, gender, ethnic identity, and nation to do so. We will follow a chronological timeline, beginning with sport and recreation in early Canadian history (before colonization, New France, and British North America), then move to the factors that shaped the development of Canadian sport as it emerged in the 20th and 21st century, and then apply our historical knowledge to address present-day problems that affect sports participation.

Learning Outcomes/Schedule:
Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

**Identify** key concepts and recall important facts in Canadian sport history.

**Explain** the changing relationship between key concepts and facts over time.

**Apply** key concepts and facts to contemporary problems in Canadian sport.

**Critically assess** the use of “evidence” in historical research.

**Required Course Material/Text:**
Adams, Sport and Recreation in Canadian History, available @ the bookstore. Additional required readings will be posted on OWL.

**Course Evaluation:**

This is an essay course. Students will be evaluated based on three pieces of written work. You will be evaluated as follows:

**Reflection Paper – Due: September 27 – 25%**

In a 3-4 page paper, discuss some aspect of class that you found particularly interesting. Incorporate three sources not used in class. Cite using APA. Instead of a title page, please provide the title of the assignment, your name, and student number at the top of your first page. Your source list will not count towards the page count. These papers will help us work on your writing/citing leading up to the review paper and major paper. You will be graded on citation format, ability to follow instructions, spelling and grammar, and engagement with class material.

**Review Paper – Due: October 27 – 35%**

Please select an academic, peer-reviewed, research article to review in a 5-6 page essay. The Weldon Library has numerous subscriptions to relevant journals, in both physical and digital form. If you’re having trouble with your search, ask the reference librarian for assistance. There are many things to consider when critiquing your article. Do not make the mistake of simply regurgitating and summarizing the article. Your introduction should include a brief biographical overview of the lead author (where do they work, what have they published, what positions of note do they hold, etc.). Most of the review should be spent critiquing your chosen article. Here are some prompts to get you started:

Who is the author’s intended audience?
What is the author’s thesis statement or purpose? What do they hope to accomplish with their article?
Is the author’s writing clear? Would the target audience understand the terminology?
What are the author’s conclusions? Are supported by their research?
What methods or theories does the author employ?
Does the article flow properly or is it burdensome to read?
What were the author’s strengths? What were their weaknesses?

Your review should be between 5-6 pages, not more, not less. Cite using APA. Instead of a title page, please provide the title of the assignment, your name, and student number at the top of your first page. Your source list will not count towards the page count. You will be graded on: the overall rigor of your critique; spelling and punctuation; ability to follow instructions; appropriateness of article; and overall flow and clarity of writing.

**Research Paper – Due: November 15 – 40%**

Select a topic to explore that is relevant to class. You must have a thesis statement that clearly indicates your top and argument. Gather and cite no less than ten peer-reviewed, secondary sources for your paper and three primary sources. Your paper should not be less than eight pages and should not exceed ten pages. I will stop reading at page ten, no exceptions. Cite using APA. Instead of a title page, please provide the title of the assignment, your name, and student number at the top of your first page. Your source list will not count towards the page count. You will be graded
on spelling and grammar; ability to follow instructions; flow and coherence; quality of research. You are given considerable freedom regarding the topic and form of your paper – use it to your advantage.

**Late Assignments**

Late assignments will be deducted 5% per day, up to 25%. Assignments more than 5 days late will receive a grade of zero. If a student secures formal academic accommodation, the recommendation of the counselor(s) will be applied.

**Course/University Policies**

1. **The website for Registrarial Services is http://www.registrar.uwo.ca.**

   In accordance with policy, the centrally administered e-mail account provided to students will be considered the individual’s official university e-mail address. It is the responsibility of the account holder to ensure that e-mail received from the University at his/her official university address is attended to in a timely manner.

2. **Academic Offences**
   Scholastic offences are taken seriously and students are directed to read the appropriate policy, specifically, the definition of what constitutes a Scholastic Offence, in the Academic Calendar (westerncalendar.uwo.ca).

   **Plagiarism**
   Student work is expected to be original. Plagiarism is a serious academic offence and could lead to a zero on the assignment in question, a zero in this course, or your expulsion from the university. You are plagiarizing if you insert a phrase, sentence or paragraph taken directly from another author without acknowledging that the work belongs to him/her. Similarly, you are plagiarizing if you paraphrase or summarize another author's ideas without acknowledging that the ideas belong to someone else. All 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 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 (www.turnitin.com).

   **Re-submission of Previously Graded Material**
   Without the explicit written permission of the instructor, you may not submit any academic work for which credit has been obtained previously, or for which credit is being sought, in another course or program of study in the University or elsewhere.

   **Use of Statistical Pattern Recognition on Multiple Choice Exams**
   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.

3. **Use of Electronic Devices**

   **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 electronic devices during ANY tests, quizzes, midterms, examinations, or other in-class evaluations.

   **During Lectures and 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. 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.

**Personal Response Systems** ("clickers") may be used in some classes. For those classes in which we use this technology, it is your responsibility to ensure that the device is activated and functional. You must speak with the course instructor immediately, if you have any concerns about whether or not your clicker is malfunctioning. You must use only your own clicker. For all components of this course in which clicker records are used to compute a portion of the grade:
- The use of somebody else’s clicker in class constitutes a scholastic offence;
- The possession of a clicker belonging to another student will be interpreted as an attempt to commit a scholastic offense

4. **Academic Considerations and Absences from Lectures and Assessments**

**Religious Accommodation**
When a course requirement conflicts with a religious holiday that requires an absence from the University or prohibits certain activities, students should request (in writing) any necessary academic considerations at least two weeks prior to the holiday to the academic counsellors in their Home Department. Additional information is provided in the Western Multicultural Calendar.

**Academic Accommodation**
Please contact the course instructor if you require lecture or printed material in an alternate format or if any other arrangements can make this course more accessible to you. Students with ongoing accommodation needs within this course are also encouraged to contact Accessible Education, which provides recommendations for accommodation based on medical documentation or psychological and cognitive testing. The policy on Academic Accommodation for Students with Disabilities can be found here.

**Academic Consideration**
The University recognizes that a student’s ability to meet their academic responsibilities may, on occasion, be impaired by extenuating circumstances that are medical or compassionate in nature. These extenuating circumstances may be acute (short term), or it may be chronic (long term), or chronic with acute episodes. In all cases, students are advised to consult with the academic counsellors in their home units, at their earliest opportunity. Academic counsellors may refer students to Accessible Education for ongoing academic accommodations.

Most forms of academic consideration require documentation, and this documentation is to be submitted to academic counsellors within five (5) business days of their return to academic responsibilities. Any such 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. Once the petition and supporting documents have been received and assessed, appropriate academic considerations shall be determined by academic counseling, in consultation with the student’s instructor(s). Academic considerations may include extension of deadlines, waiver of attendance requirements for classes/labs/tutorials, arranging Special Exams or Incompletes, re-weighting course requirements, or granting late withdrawals without academic penalty. Academic considerations shall be granted only where the documentation indicates that the onset, duration and severity of the illness are such that
the student could not reasonably be expected to complete their academic responsibilities. (Note – it will not be sufficient to provide documentation indicating simply that the student “was seen for a medical reason” or “was ill.”).

Whenever possible, students who require academic considerations should provide notification and documentation in advance of due dates, examinations, etc. Under no circumstances are students expected to submit rationales for (or documentation of) any absences, to course instructors. Students are, however, required to follow-up with course instructors, in a timely fashion, to identify the ways in which the academic consideration will be implemented.

**Examination Conflicts**
A student completing tests or examinations with flexible submission times (e.g., where one or more evaluation is a take-home assessment) cannot request alternative arrangements unless a conflict cannot be avoided by rescheduling writing the exam to a different time within the window specified by the instructor. This applies to direct conflicts as well as “heavy load” conflicts (e.g., three exams within a 23-hour period). The student should discuss any concerns about a potential conflict and/or request academic considerations with their academic counselling unit prior to the deadline to drop a course without academic penalty.

In the case of online tests and examinations, use of a “Conflict Room,” wherein student can write two proctored exams concurrently, will be interpreted as arrangements for continuous proctoring.

5. **Contingency Plan for an In-Person Class Pivoting to 100% Online Learning**
In the event of a situation that requires this course to pivot to online content delivery, all remaining course content will be delivered entirely online, either synchronously (i.e., at the times indicated in the timetable) or asynchronously (e.g., posted on OWL for students to view at their convenience). The grading scheme will not change. Any remaining assessments will also be conducted online as determined by the course instructor.

Note that disruptive behaviour of any type during online classes, including inappropriate use of the chat function, is unacceptable. Students found guilty of Zoom-bombing a class or of other serious online offenses may be subject to disciplinary measures under the Code of Student Conduct.

6. **Online Proctoring**
Tests and examinations in this course may be conducted using a remote proctoring service. By taking this course, you are consenting to the use of this software and acknowledge that you will be required to provide personal information (including some biometric data) and the session will be recorded. Completion of this course will require you to have a reliable internet connection and a device that meets the technical requirements for this service. More information about this remote proctoring service, including technical requirements, is available on Western’s Remote Proctoring website at: [https://remoteproctoring.uwo.ca](https://remoteproctoring.uwo.ca).

7. **Grades**
Where possible assignment objectives and rubrics will be posted on OWL. Generally, students can expect some form of feedback on their performance in a course before the drop date.

- November 13th, 2023 (for first term half-courses)
- November 30th, 2023 (for full-year courses)
- March 7th, 2024 (for second term half-or full year courses)

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C 60-69  Competent work, meeting requirements
D 50-59  Fair work, minimally acceptable.
F below 50  Fail

Rounding of Grades (for example, bumping a 79 to 80%):
This is a practice some students request. The final grade documented is the grade that you
have achieved. There is no rounding to the next grade level, or ‘giving away’ of marks. Please
don’t ask me to do this for you; the response will be “please review the course outline where
this is presented”.

Appealing a Grade Within this Course
You have the right to appeal any grade within this course. The grounds for a grade appeal
may be one or more of: medical or compassionate circumstances, extenuating circumstances
beyond the student’s control, bias, inaccuracy, or unfairness. All grounds advanced in a
request for relief must be supported by a clear and detailed explanation of the reasons for the
request together with all supporting documentation.

Appeals generally proceed in this order:
1. Course instructor (informal consultation)
2. Department Chair (submission of written request)
3. The Dean of the Faculty (submission of written request)

In the case of perceived procedural unfairness, steps 2 and 3 are carried out within the
Department and Faculty offering the course. In the case of extenuating medical or
compassionate circumstances that impact on a grade, steps 2 and 3 are carried out within a
student’s Home Department and Faculty.

A request for relief against a mark or grade must be initiated with the instructor as soon as
possible after the mark is issued. In the event that the instructor is not available to the student,
or fails to act, or if the matter is not resolved satisfactorily with the instructor, a written request
for relief must be submitted to the Chair of the Department within three weeks of the date that
the mark was issued. In the case of a final grade in a course, the written request for relief must
be submitted to the Chair of the department by January 31st (for first-term half courses) or
June 30th (for second-term half courses or full-year courses)

8. Support Services
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.

There are various support services around campus and these include, but are not limited to:
Student Development Centre -- http://www.sdc.uwo.ca/ssd/
Ombudsperson Office -- http://www.uwo.ca/ombuds/

9. 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
10. Use of Artificial Intelligence, including paraphrasing software
Within this course, students are permitted to use AI tools exclusively for information gathering and preliminary research purposes. These tools are intended to enhance the learning experience by providing access to diverse information sources. However, it is essential that students critically evaluate the obtained information, exercise independent thinking, and engage in original research to synthesize and develop their own ideas, arguments, and perspectives. The use of AI tools can serve as a starting point for exploration, with students expected to uphold academic integrity by appropriately attributing all sources and avoiding plagiarism. Assignments and/or lab reports should reflect the student's own thoughts and independent written work. By adhering to these guidelines, students contribute to a responsible and ethical learning environment that promotes critical thinking, independent inquiry and allows them to produce original written contributions.