

Western HealthSciences

School Of Kinesiology Kin 4585 - Athletic Injuries Practicum Fall 2025

Campus Supports

Western University is committed to a **thriving campus**. For help with:

- Both physical and mental health, go to [Wellness & Wellbeing](#)
- Studying with disabilities, go to [Accessible Education](#)
- Writing skills, go to the [Writing Support Centre](#)
- Learning skills and strategies, go to [Learning Development & Success](#)
- Contacting the ombudsperson, go to the [Office of the Ombudsperson](#)



Your course coordinator can also **guide you** to available campus resources and/or services.

Technical Requirements

 Stable internet connection  Computer Access

Important Dates

Classes Begin	Reading Week	Classes End	Study day(s)	Exam Period
September 8	November 3–9	December 9	December 10	December 11–22

September 30, 2025, is National Day for Truth and Reconciliation and is a non-instructional day
December 1, 2025: Last day to withdraw from a first-term half course without academic penalty

Contact Information

Course Coordinator/instructor	Contact Information	Office Hours
Dave Humphreys	dhumphr4@uwo.ca	Weekly by appointment
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Teaching Assistant(s)	Contact Information	Office Hours
TBA		

NOTE: All course information including grades, assignment outlines, deadlines, etc. are available via [OWL Brightspace](#). Download the Brightspace Pulse App to stay up-to-date on course communication and enable your notification settings within “Communications” in the top toolbar. Check the website regularly for course announcements. If you need assistance, visit [OWL Brightspace Help](#) or contact the [Western Technology Services Helpdesk](#). They can be contacted by phone at 519-661-3800 or ext. 83800.

Calendar Course Description (including prerequisites/anti-requisites):

This course provides students with the opportunity to put theory into practice within the sport system available at Western. Students will work closely with athletic teams in assigned areas

and under course-instructor supervision.

Prerequisite(s): [Kinesiology 3336A/B](#); current certification in Emergency First Responder (EFR) Training.

Extra Information: 3 lecture/seminar hours. Restricted to students in fourth year Honors Specialization in Kinesiology and subject to Faculty procedural guidelines and approval.

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.

Delivery Mode: In-person

Component	Date(s)	Time
Lecture/Lab	Monday	11:30am-1:20 pm

Our Course Description

This course will provide the student with hands on learning experiences in a sport and clinical setting as the student trainer for an assigned varsity athletic team. You will be responsible for the pre and post- practice care of the athletes on your team before, after and during practice and game periods. As such you will be directly responsible for the on-field, acute care of these athletes. Class time will be spent refining your acute injury assessment and management skills, as well as some basic rehabilitation skills. The student trainers will also be scheduled at the Fowler /Kennedy Sport medicine varsity clinic in Alumni hall clinic.

It should be understood that the practicum is in effect for the full academic year and, although responsibilities with a team may cease prior to the completion of the academic year, the student will be required to attend classes and to lend service when or as necessary. As a student trainer, you will be required to attend all practices and any scheduled games. There may be various invitational events, throughout the year, that may require student trainers on-site. Tournaments, meets, etc. will be covered utilizing student trainers enrolled in Kinesiology 4585 on a scheduled format

Learning Outcomes

General course outcomes

1. Design and communicate an Emergency Action plan.
2. Identify and treat acute and chronic athletic injuries.
3. Provide emergency first aid to injured athletes as well as assist with basic rehabilitation techniques for the injured athlete.
4. Demonstrate basic knowledge of clinical practice and their role within it.
5. Develop competency with various manual tests, and on field procedures which help in the diagnosis of athletic injuries.
6. Makes and defends decisions based on appropriate ethical principles
7. Recognizes and appreciates individual differences in people, regardless of race, culture, gender, age, etc.
8. Become proficient in basic stretching prescription.
9. Understand the utility and the specifics of the SCAT 6

Course Content and Schedule

Date	Topic	Expectation
Week 1 Sept 2 and 3	2 Morning Prep Boot Camp 1. safeTALK 2. Soft tissue/Massage 3. Advanced taping 4. Modalities 5. Crutch fitting 6. Splinting All modules completed and entered in Brightspace Module Assignment by Sept 2	- Read all documents - Questions/Concerns - Complete assignments 1 and 2 - Begin Team placements
Week 2- Sept 8	GBSV/Diversity Training- All Students Must attend Assignment 1 due September 8 @ 11 pm.	Complete online content prior to session
Week 3- Sept 15	Stop the Bleed Boarding and removal Assignment 2 due September 15 @ 11 pm	
Week 4- Sept 22	Back and Hip Case	
Week 5- Sept 29	Knee Case	
Week 6- Oct 6	Ankle and foot case	
Week-Oct 13	NO CLASS - Thanksgiving	-Continue with team/clinic activities as needed
Week – Oct 20	4 Minute Mini Mind Meld Day 1	Send Slides to dave by Friday before presentation
Week- Oct 27	4 Minute Mini Mind Meld Day 2	Send Slides to dave by Friday before presentation
Week- Nov 3	READING WEEK – No Class. Check team schedule before making plans	
Week- Nov 10	Managing Conflict Collaboratively and Health Habits for Leaders	
Week- Nov 17	Building Your Brand and Career Construction	
Week- Nov 24	Midterm Debriefs to be scheduled	See midterm debrief assignment
Week- Dec 1	Midterm Debriefs to be scheduled	See midterm debrief assignment
Dec 8-Jan 2	Exams and Christmas Break	Continue with Team activities
Week- Jan 5	Review 2 nd Term expectations Boarding, splinting, etc	
Week- Jan 12	Return to play following FAI, ACL and Shoulder Stabilization Surgery	
Week- Jan 19	Return to play following FAI, ACL and Shoulder Stabilization Surgery part 2	Informal Group Presentations
Week- Jan 26	Talking to People. Listening to People	
Week- Feb 2	TBA	
Week- Feb 9	Networking and LinkedIn	
Week- Feb 16	NO Class – Family Day/Spring Break	-ontinue with Team/Clinic activities
Week-Feb 23	Equipment/Bracing	
Week- Mar 2	TBA SBAR due on or before March 2 nd at 11:00 pm	
Week-Mar 9	TBA	
Week- Mar 16	Final Debriefs – 1 on 1	See final debrief assignment
Week-Mar 23	Final Debriefs – 1 on 1	See final debrief assignment
Week- Mar 30	Optional Class Potluck and Pictures	Room TBA

*Course content subject to change based on availability.

Course Materials You Must Acquire and Their Costs

- Emergency Medical Waist pack and contents -\$120.00
- Emergency First responder \$500.00-\$700.00. It is hoped that SOF will cover \$500.00 of this cost. We have enough spaces to book through SERT at a cost of \$500.00. Anything over and above what SOF covers (if anything) will be the students responsibility.

Assessments and Evaluation

Below is the evaluation breakdown for the course. Any deviations will be communicated.

Assessment	Format	Weight	Due Date	Flexibility
Assignment 1 EAP ¹	PDF	10%	Online Sept. 8 by 11:00pm	See late policy
Assignment 2 Kit ¹	Fillable form	10%	Online Sept. 15 by 11:00pm	See Late Policy
Assignment 3 SBAR ¹	PDF	15%	Online March 2 by 11:00pm	See Late Policy
Assignment 4 Four Minute Mind Meld ¹	Oral Presentation	15%	In class October 20/27	Random Presentation order. Slides due on the Friday before your presentation. See Late policy
Midterm Debrief ¹	Written and Oral	5% - total (Reflection 2.5% Supervisor 2.5%)	Nov 24 and Dec 1.	Sign-up sheet will be posted. Due at debrief.
Participation	NA	25% -total 5%-class 10%-clinic 10%-team	NA	NA
Year-end Debrief ¹		10%	March 16 and 23	Sign-up sheet will be posted
Year end reflection/ portfolio/pitch ¹	Mixed format	10%	Due at time of debrief	Not applicable. See late policy

Notes:

1. Assignments are due as stated in the course syllabus and will be subjected to a 20% penalty per each 24 hours or part thereof, except under medical or other compassionate circumstances. Acceptable reasons might include hospital stays, serious illness, family emergencies (like serious accidents, illness or death) or similar circumstances.
2. Failure to complete an assignment without academic considerations will result in a 0.

General information about assessments

- ☒ After an assessment is returned, students should wait 24 hours to digest feedback before contacting their evaluator; to ensure a timely response, reach out within 7 days. Note that we will take-up the midterm during lab time. This is your chance to review your midterm.
- ☒ Prior to the filing of a written request for relief, students must attempt to resolve the concern regarding a mark or grade through informal consultation with the instructor. If the student is dissatisfied with the decision of the instructor or does not receive a decision from the instructor, a written request for relief must be submitted to the Undergraduate

Chair of the School offering this course, within three (3) weeks from the date that the mark was issued.

The table below outlines University-wide grade descriptors.

Letter grade	Number grade	Description
A+	90-100	One could scarcely expect better from a student at this level
A	80-89	Superior work which is clearly above average
B	70-79	Good work, meeting all requirements, and eminently satisfactory
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".

Information about late or missed assessments:

- ☒ Assignments are due as stated in the course syllabus and will be subjected to a 20% penalty per each 24 hours or part thereof (starting at 11:00:01 pm), except under medical or other compassionate circumstances. Acceptable reasons might include hospital stays, serious illness, family emergencies (like serious accidents, illness or death) or similar circumstances.

Course-specific conditions:

- ☒ This is a full year course. In addition to participation grades from player and coaches, there will be participation grades given for attending class and the varsity clinic. We will discuss these expectations in class

INC (Incomplete Standing): If a student has been approved by the Academic Advising Office (in consultation with the instructor/department) to complete term work at a later date, an INC will be assigned. Students with INC will have their course load in subsequent terms reduced to allow them to complete outstanding course work. Students may request permission from Academic Advising to carry a full course load for the term the incomplete course work is scheduled.

SPC (Special examination): If a student has been approved by the Academic Advising Office to write a Special Examination and the final exam is the only outstanding course component, an SPC will be assigned. If the class has a makeup exam, the student is expected to write the makeup exam. If the class doesn't have a makeup exam or the student misses the makeup exam for reasons approved by the Academic Advising Office, the student will write the exam the next time the course is offered. Outstanding SPCs will reduce the course load for the term the exam is deferred as outlined in [Types of Examinations](#) policy

Academic Policies and Statements

Support Services

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

1. Academic Support and Engagement - <http://academicsupport.uwo.ca>

2. Wellness and Well-being - <https://www.uwo.ca/health/>
3. Registrar's Office -- <http://www.registrar.uwo.ca/>
4. Ombuds Office -- <http://www.uwo.ca/ombuds/>

The websites for Registrarial Services (<http://www.registrar.uwo.ca>), and the same for affiliated university colleges when appropriate, and any appropriate Student Support Services (including the services provided by the USC listed here: <http://westernusc.ca/services/>) and the Student Development Services, should be provided for easy access.

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

Statement on Gender-Based and Sexual Violence

Western is committed to reducing incidents of gender-based and sexual violence and providing compassionate support to anyone who has gone through these traumatic events. If you have experienced sexual or gender-based violence (either recently or in the past), you will find information about support services for survivors, including emergency contacts at:

https://www.uwo.ca/health/student_support/survivor_support/get-help.html.

Statement on Harassment and Discrimination

Western is committed to providing a learning and working environment that is free of harassment and discrimination. All students, staff, and faculty have a role in this commitment and have a responsibility to ensure and promote a safe and respectful learning and working environment. Relevant policies include Western's Non-Discrimination/Harassment Policy (M.A.P.P. 1.35) and Non-Discrimination/Harassment Policy – Administrative Procedures (M.A.P.P. 1.35). Any student, staff, or faculty member who experiences or witnesses' behaviour that may be harassment or discrimination **must report the behaviour** to the Western's Human Rights Office. Harassment and discrimination can be human rights-based, which is also known as EDI-based, (sexism, racism, transphobia, homophobia, islamophobia, xenophobia, antisemitism, and ableism) or non-human rights-based (personal harassment or workplace harassment).

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>

Absence from Course Commitments

Students must familiarize themselves with the Policy on [Academic Consideration – Undergraduate Students in First Entry Programs](#)

Students missing course work for medical, compassionate, or extenuating circumstances can request academic consideration by completing a request at the [central academic consideration portal](#). Students are permitted one academic consideration request per course per term **without** supporting documentation. Note that supporting documentation is **always** required for academic consideration requests for examinations scheduled by the office of the registrar (e.g., December and April exams) and for practical laboratory and performance tests (typically scheduled during the last week of the term).

Students should also note that the instructor may **designate** one assessment per course per

term that requires supporting documentation. This designated assessment is described elsewhere in this document. Academic consideration requests may be denied when flexibility in assessment has already been included. Examples of flexibility in assessment include when there are assessments not required for calculation of the final grade (e.g. 8 out of 10 quizzes), when there is flexibility in the submission timeframe (e.g. 72 hour no late penalty period), or when timed assessments (e.g., quizzes) are available over an extended period of time (e.g., when you are given a 72 hour time period to start – and finish – the assessment).

Please note that academic considerations in this course are granted by the academic advisors in your home unit and implemented by the instructor of this course in accordance with information presented in this course syllabus. Supporting documentation for academic considerations for absences due to illness should use the [Student Medical Certificate](#) or, where that is not possible, equivalent documentation by a health care practitioner. If your absence relates to accommodations that are already supported by [Accessible Education](#), please work with your accessible education counsellor regarding your missed course work.

Accommodation for Religious Holidays

Students should review the policy for [Accommodation for Religious Holidays](#). Where a student will be unable to write examinations and term tests due to a conflicting religious holiday, they should inform their instructors as soon as possible but not later than two weeks prior to writing the examination/term test. In the case of conflict with a midterm test, students should inform their instructor as soon as possible but not later than one week prior to the midterm.

Special Examinations

A Special Examination is any examination other than the regular examination, and it may be offered only with the permission of the Dean of the Faculty in which the student is registered, in consultation with the instructor and Department Chair. Permission to write a Special Examination may be given on the basis of compassionate or medical grounds with appropriate supporting documents. To provide an opportunity for students to recover from the circumstances resulting in a Special Examination, the University has implemented Special Examination dates. The Faculty of Health Sciences has set School-specific dates for these Special Examinations. Please speak with your instructor about the date on which the Special Examination for this course will be held.

Scholastic Offences

Scholastic offences are taken seriously and students are directed to read the policy on [Scholastic Discipline for Undergraduate Students](#).

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).

Use of Artificial Intelligence for the Completion of Course Work

Within this course, you may only use artificial intelligence tools (e.g., "ChatGPT") in ways that are specifically authorized by the course instructor. All submitted work must reflect your own

thoughts and independent written work.

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.

Accessibility Statement

Please contact the course instructor if you require material in an alternate format or if you require any other arrangements to make this course more accessible to you. You may also wish to contact Accessible Education (AE) at 661-2111 x 82147 for any specific question regarding an accommodation or review [The policy on Accommodation for Students with Disabilities](#). If you think you may qualify for ongoing accommodation (e.g. separate room to write exams, flexibility with deadlines, etc.) that will be recognized in all your courses, we encourage you to visit [Accessible Education](#) for more information.

Correspondence Statement

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 their official university address is attended to in a timely manner. Students are further expected to attend to announcements presented through Brightspace, and to read emails generated in this way.

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 (e.g., cell phones, tablets, cameras, smart glass, smart watches, or iPods) during ANY tests, quizzes, midterms, examinations, or other in-class evaluations. **These devices MUST either be left at home or with your belongings at the front of the room. They MUST NOT be at your test/exam desk or in your pocket. Any student found with a prohibited device will be referred for investigation of a Scholastic Offence, per the policy listed above. The typical first-offence penalty for possession of a prohibited device is zero on the test or exam.**

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.

Copyright and Audio/Video Recording Statement

Course material produced by faculty is copyrighted and to reproduce this material for any purposes other than your own educational use contravenes Canadian Copyright Laws. 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.

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 Brightspace 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.

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>.

Academic Appeals and Scholastic Offences

Students can file a **request for relief from academic decisions** if the request is based on one or more grounds listed in the policy. Students can read more about the policy [here](#) and a link to the procedures is listed in the Support Services sections of this document.

Students may **appeal** some academic and scholastic disciplinary decisions by a Dean or their designate, to the Senate Review Board Academic (SRBA). Students can read more about the policy [here](#) and a link to the procedures is listed in the Support Services section of this document.