San José State University
Kinesiology
Fall 2016, KIN 2A Beginning Swimming

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Section 3 Tues. & Thurs. 8:30am-9:20am
Section 6 Mon. and Wed. 11:30am-12:20pm

Link to new syllabi policy: http://www.sjsu.edu senate/docs/S16-9.pdf

Course Description
This course is designed for the non-swimmer and beginning swimmer. It is assumed that all
students enrolled in the class have had little or no experience in learning the basic skills of
swimming. The course is designed to instruct the student in the basic skills necessary to enable
him/her to swim safely in deep water. There are no prerequisites for the course.
**Course Goals and Student Learning Objectives**

Following activities and assigned reading, students will be able to demonstrate through class activities/assignments, skills tests, and written exams,

Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be able to:

A. perform basic aquatic skills. (included, but not limited to increased comfort level below the water, front float and recovery, back float and recovery.)

B. introduction and development of the elementary backstroke, backstroke, and front crawl.

C. an introduction to the physiologic and hydro dynamic principles associated with swimming.

D. incorporate the positive effects of sport through movement, and enjoy the rich socio-cultural diversity at San Jose State University.

• Knowledge of fundamental skills, techniques related to beginning swimming.
• Proficiency in execution of the beginning swimming skills covered.
• An understanding of the history, rules, strategies, current research, safety and etiquette associated with swimming.
• An understanding of the mental and physical health benefits to be derived from swimming.

An appropriate level of proficiency in personal fitness as it relates to components such as cardiovascular endurance, muscular strength and endurance, flexibility, body composition, balance, coordination, and agility.

**Activity Program Learning Outcomes**

After completion of the physical activity graduation requirement, students shall be able to:

• Demonstrate proficiency in the execution of the motor/sport skills appropriate to the specific activities completed.
• Identify and/or explain the applicable history, rules, strategies, current research, safety, and etiquette related to the specific activities completed.
• Identify and/or explain the benefits of physical activity as related to physical and mental health.

**Text/Readings**

Course information will be emailed to students via mysjsu.

**Course Notes**

• Class protocol: Students are expected to arrive on time and participate fully in all activities throughout the class period. Turn cell phone off and put away for the duration of the class. Interactions with classmates and the instructor are expected to be respectful
at all times.

- Intellectual property: Course materials developed by the instructor (e.g., exam/quiz items, videos, lecture notes), are the instructor’s intellectual property and cannot be shared or uploaded in any form publicly without the instructor’s approval.
- If you have pre-existing medical or physical problems you should consult your physician before participating in this class and alert the instructor to any required limitations.
- Report any accidents to the instructor immediately.

- Students may make up missed quizzes up to two weeks after quiz date.
- Drop requests will not be accepted after the SJSU drop deadline
- Outings/assignments completed for another class cannot be counted for this course.

**Course Requirements, Assignments, and Grading**

Tests:
- Skills Test information/explanation here:
  
  Swim Practicum 30% of final grade at end of the semester.

- Written Quizzes: 3 @ 10% each. Multiple choice
  - Final Exam; Two short answer questions, and a listing question. 10%

**Grading**

Explain your grading policy here. For example you could include information on:
- Your grading method: e.g., percentage weights or point totals. Convey how grades will be determined.
- Extra credit options, if available.
- Penalty (if any) for late or missed work.

**Grading Plan -**

10% Quiz 1
10% Quiz 2
10% Quiz 3 Benefits of Physical activity related to cognitive & physical domains
30% Swim Practicum
10% Final Exam
30% Active Participation (swimming specific group activity drills and practicing of swimming skills)
Grading Scale used to determine letter grade for each component above.

Grading Scale used to determine final course grade.

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University Policies

Information pertaining to university programs and policies designed to facilitate student success can be found here:

http://www.sjsu.edu/gup/syllabusinfo/
Dropping and Adding

Students are responsible for understanding the policies and procedures about add/drop, grade forgiveness, etc. Refer to the current semester’s Catalog in the policies section at [http://info.sjsu.edu/static/catalog/policies.html](http://info.sjsu.edu/static/catalog/policies.html). Add/drop deadlines can be found on the current academic year calendars document at [http://www.sjsu.edu/provost/services/academic_calendars/](http://www.sjsu.edu/provost/services/academic_calendars/). The late drop policy is available at [http://www.sjsu.edu/aars/policies/latedrops/policy/](http://www.sjsu.edu/aars/policies/latedrops/policy/). Students should be aware of the current deadlines and penalties for dropping classes.

Information about the latest changes and news is available at the Advising Hub at [http://www.sjsu.edu/advising/](http://www.sjsu.edu/advising/).

Academic integrity

Your commitment as a student to learning is evidenced by your enrollment at San Jose State University. The University’s Academic Integrity policy at [http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/S07-2.htm](http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/S07-2.htm), requires you to be honest in all your academic course work. Faculty members are required to report all infractions to the office of Student Conduct and Ethical Development. The Student Conduct and Ethical Development website at [http://www.sjsu.edu/studentconduct/](http://www.sjsu.edu/studentconduct/).

Instances of academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. Cheating on exams or plagiarism (presenting the work of another as your own, or the use of another person’s ideas without giving proper credit) will result in a failing grade and sanctions by the University. For this class, all assignments are to be completed by the individual student unless otherwise specified. If you would like to include your assignment or any material you have submitted, or plan to submit for another class, please note that SJSU’s Academic Integrity policy at [http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/S07-2.htm](http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/S07-2.htm) requires approval of instructors.

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Campus Policy in Compliance with the American Disabilities Act

If you need course adaptations or accommodations because of a disability, or if you need to make special arrangements in case the building must be evacuated, please make an appointment with me as soon as possible, or see me during office hours. Presidential Directive 97-03 at [http://www.sjsu.edu/president/docs/directives/PD_1997-03.pdf](http://www.sjsu.edu/president/docs/directives/PD_1997-03.pdf) requires that students with disabilities requesting accommodations must register with the Accessible Education Center (AEC) at [http://www.sjsu.edu/aec/](http://www.sjsu.edu/aec/) to establish a record of their disability.

Accommodation to Students’ Religious Holidays

San José State University shall provide accommodation on any graded class work or activities for students wishing to observe religious holidays when such observances require students to be absent from class. It is the responsibility of the student to inform the instructor, in writing, about such holidays before the add deadline at the start of each semester. If such holidays occur before the add deadline, the student must notify the
instructor, in writing, at least three days before the date that he/she will be absent. It is the responsibility of the instructor to make every reasonable effort to honor the student request without penalty, and of the student to make up the work missed. See University Policy S14-7 at http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/S14-7.pdf.

Course Calendar (subject to change with fair notice by announcement in class and/or email)

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