Course and Contact Information

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Prerequisites: Students must have the background of athletic training education or equivalent to the knowledge.

Course Format

Course materials such as syllabus, handouts, notes, assignment instructions, etc. can be found on the Canvas learning management system used at SJSU. You are responsible for changing the settings so that e-mail that is sent to your Canvas account is forwarded to your regularly used email account. Announcements will be posted on Canvas and should be checked on a regular basis; students may choose to be alerted via text or email that announcements have been made.

Course Description

This course is designed for one of the Graduate Athletic Training Education Program (GATEP) courses that focus on current issues and problems related to the field of athletic training education. Topics will include, but are not limited to: professional ethics and competencies, leadership issues, administration, professional affairs, stress management, communication skills, AT job market, post-graduate education. The course will take a multidisciplinary approach, incorporating educational (research) and clinical bases.

Department of Kinesiology Graduate Program Learning Outcomes (GPLO)

Upon completion of the Master’s degree program in the Department of Kinesiology, students should be able to:

1. Demonstrate the ability to conduct and critique research using theoretical and applied knowledge.

2. Interpret and apply research findings to a variety of disciplines within Kinesiology.
3. Effectively communicate essential theories, scientific applications, and ethical considerations in each student’s Kinesiology program concentration.

4. Interpret and apply research findings through acquired skills in order to become agents of change to address issues in Kinesiology through the application of knowledge and research.

**Graduate Athletic Training Education Program Learning Outcomes (GATEPLO)**

The mission of the Graduate Athletic Training Program is to enhance the mastery of athletic training discipline through a sound theoretical and research base, as well as diversity of thought and experiences. The Graduate Athletic Training Education Program seeks to:

1. Develop critical and independent thinkers
2. Facilitate and promote community interaction/aid in sports medicine with other health care providers
3. Foster scholarly and research activities
4. Develop exemplary athletic training professionals
5. Enhance and augment athletic training skills through evidence based exploration

**Course Learning Outcomes (CLO)**

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

**CLO 1.** Demonstrate a strong sense of leadership in professional athletic training while understanding each of the position statements with regard to catastrophic victims issued by the NATA

1.1. Emergency action plan
1.2. Cervical spine injured athlete
1.3. Sports-related concussion /mild traumatic brain injury
1.4. Syncope versus epileptic seizures in athletes
1.5. Sudden death in athletes

**CLO 2.** Increase understanding of the multi-faceted approach to optimal health care.

2.1. Policy developed by each of the clinics
2.2. Integration of a variety of professionals through the concept of independent contractor
2.3. Awareness of position statements issued by the NATA

**CLO 3.** Provide the awareness of the implications of current issues in athletic training education

3.1. Transition to the entry level master’s degree from the bachelor degree
3.2. The idea of post-professional athletic training education program

**CLO 4.** Understand different types of health insurance and financial issues in college setting.

**CLO 5.** Identify the history of gender issues in athletic trainers through a female head athletic trainer

5.1. Difference in role and responsibility in athletic trainers between NFL and D1 college settings as well as between head and assistant positions.
5.2. Role and responsibility in a head athletic trainer in a variety of institutional settings

**CLO 6.** Demonstrate global leaderships in athletic training

6.1. Decision making in your professional work environment
6.2. Awareness of humility, hungry, and smart in your professional works
CLO 7. Identify the mechanism of stress management in your professional duties
CLO 8. Demonstrate the concept of evidence based practice in athletic training
   8.1. Identifying each of level of evidence defined by Oxford Centre for Evidence-Based Medicine

Required Readings
Selected readings to be provided by the instructor. All readings are shown in the end of syllabus.

Course Requirements and Assignments
SJSU classes are designed such that in order to be successful, it is expected that students will spend a minimum of forty-five (45) hours for each unit of credit (normally three hours per unit per week), including preparing for class, participating in course activities, completing assignments, and so on. More details about student workload can be found in University Policy S12-3 at http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/S12-3.pdf.

Each student will be required to:
1. Review the articles selected in each of the topics to discuss proficiency in using numerous psychomotor skills to rehabilitate various anatomical and supportive structures.
2. Participate in class discussions and proactive promotions including a variety of communications with guest speakers.
3. Critically review selected articles provided by class readings, and find further articles related to each of the topics discussed in the class.
4. Present current topics in athletic training with “ideas of worth spreading.”
5. Critically review selected literature.

Grading Information
- Emergency Action Plan: 30%
- Position Statement Summery and Presentation: 30%
- Short Papers (guest speakers): 20%
- Final Report: 20%

Determination of Grades
The course is based on a percentage scale (100%). The breakdown is as follows:
- A: 100-93%  A-: 92.9-90%
- B+: 89.9-87%  B: 86.9-83%  B-: 82.9-80%
- C+: 79.9-77%  C: 76.9-73%  C-: 72.9-70%
- D+: 69.9-67%  D: 66.9-63%  D-: 62.9-60%  F: <60%

Emergency Action Plan: 30%
You will construct an emergency action plan (EAP) for your current specific facility/athletic training setting (i.e., high school, community college, university, etc.) from the perspective of the Head AT. You should devise the plan such that your intended audience is the athletic department at that institution. The plan should be developed for use by the athletic training staff, coaches, athletic administrators, athletes and other medical personnel. (GPLO 3) (GATEPLO 1, 2, 4, 5) (CLO 1)
The EAP should include as follows:
1) Cervical spine injured athlete
2) Severe fracture and bleeding
3) Syncope versus epileptic seizures in athletes
4) Cardiac arrest in athletes

**Due: September 20**

**Position Statement Summery and Presentation: 30%:**

You will find 2 position statements (10 pts each) on current issues in athletic training and/or sports medicine (i.e., overuse, heat illness, mild traumatic brain injury, and etc.). The position statements must be published in a peer-reviewed journal or posted on a credible website (check with instructor). For each paper, you will write a 1-page summary of the guidelines and how they pertain to you as a healthcare provider at your specific clinical site.

- Each paper should be typed, double-spaced, using a 12-point (or easily readable) font and 1" margins. Each paper should not exceed one page. However, less than 80% are considered too short (-2 points)
- Grading (25/30%) will be based on quality of content, identification of understanding of the study and quality of writing (syntax, grammar, and spelling). (GPLO 1, 2, 3, 4) (GATEPLO 1, 3, 4, 5) (CLO 1, 2)

NATA: [http://www.nata.org/position-statements](http://www.nata.org/position-statements)
AMSSM: [http://www.amssm.org/Publications.html](http://www.amssm.org/Publications.html)

**Due: November 8**

**For presentation (5/30%),** you and a partner will choose one of the position statements you summarized and present with or without slides for 15 minutes including questions and answers in November or December.

* You may want to present your topic more like a narrative story with your partner (5 -6 min each). The narrative story for your position statement is more like “TED talks.” You will accomplish your work after you’re done; but, you need a lot of practice for your presentation.

**Short Paper (guest speakers): 20%**

The class will have three guest speakers of AT. The topics includes: 1) Female Head Athletic Trainer, 2) Independent Contractor, and 2) Male Head Athletic Trainer. You will organize what you learned and discussed with the speakers in the class for up to 400 words [a minimum of 80% (360 words) but no more than 400 words required for the number of words] with doubled spaced.

**Due: Wednesdays of the following week after each of guest speakers talked**

Grading will be based on quality of content, identification of understanding of the study and quality of writing (syntax, grammar, and spelling). (GPLO 3) (GATEPLO 2, 4) (CLO 5, 6)

**Final Report: 20%**

The topic of final report will be given to students who demonstrate mastery of course content. The topic will be comprehensive questions that require integration and synthesis of knowledge. Excellent responses will demonstrate advanced and in-depth understanding of leadership in athletic training.
Responses should include material from assigned readings and class discussions.

The paper should be typed, double-spaced, using a 12-point (or easily readable) font and 1” margins. Each paper should not exceed two page. However, less than 80% are considered too short (-2 points) Grading will be based on quality of content, identification of understanding of the study and quality of writing (syntax, grammar, and spelling). (GPLO 1 - 4) (GATEPLO 1, 3, 4, 5) (CLO 6, 8)

Due: December 13

Classroom Protocol

- All students in the class must be required to set a silent mode for your cell phone. Students are allowed to use your PC in the class. However, you are not allowed to access any unnecessary internets or emails.
- No food is allowed in the class.
- The class will basically have no break.

University Policies (Required)

Per University Policy S16-9, university-wide policy information relevant to all courses, such as academic integrity, accommodations, etc. will be available on Office of Graduate and Undergraduate Programs’ Syllabus Information web page at http://www.sjsu.edu/gup/syllabusinfo/"
## KIN 271, Advanced Topics in Athletic Training, Fall, 2017

**Course Schedule (Subject to change with advance notice)**

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**Required Readings**


