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Class Meetings & Location
M/W 12:30-1:20pm YUH 126

Prerequisites: It is recommended that participants have a complete medical examination. While rigorous physical exercise has many benefits, it may also present hazards for certain groups of individuals. Individuals who choose not to have a medical examination should be aware of the risks and hazards and understand that participation in this class is at your own risk.

Course Description

Beginning weight training utilizes a variety of weight training equipment, exercises, techniques and lectures to produce a training effect resulting in increased muscle strength and endurance, flexibility, and cardio respiratory efficiency. The purpose of this class is to help the beginner-level weightlifter become proficient in lifting techniques, self-programming, and weight room etiquette.

Course Content (skills)

- Improving muscular strength of major muscle groups
- Basic etiquette in a fitness center
- Developing accessory muscle/core strength
- Improving cardio vascular efficiency
Course Content (concepts/knowledge)

- Use of various types of weight training and cardiovascular equipment
- Basic exercise physiology relating to strength and conditioning
- Developing a realistic exercise management plan
- Health benefits of physical activity
- Physical activity and the process of aging

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
No text is required. Cognitive material comes from a variety of sources provided in class. Students are expected to keep lecture notes, utilize handouts and may be asked to reference some outside reading sources. Reading materials will be distributed in class and/or emailed to the student.

Course Notes
1. Assignments received or completed late will receive a deduction of 2 points for each day late.
2. A skill assessment must be taken in class at the time given and cannot be made up.
3. A skill assessment is not pre announced and is given promptly at the beginning of the class period. Arrival after a skill assessment has begun in class will result in no credit for that evaluation. See #5 for make-up.
4. This is an activity class and by its nature you can only benefit and experience change by physical participation in the activity. For whatever reason, should you be unable to participate in class to the degree that your final grade will be unacceptable, you must drop the class or take an incomplete. Please see me for instructions.
5. One skill assessment or activity assignment may be made up at the end of the semester if the make-up results in the difference in a letter grade.  
6. All students must be dressed properly (see KIN policy) in order to participate in activity.  
7. A skill assessment will only be recorded if activity for that class period is also completed.  
8. Cell phones should not used during class time except for playing personal music that can be utilized in lieu of the music played during activity.  
9. In order to receive an A+ grade you cannot include a make-up quiz.  
10. Success in this course is based on the expectation that students will spend, for each unit of credit, a minimum of 45 hours over the length of the course (normally three hours per unit per week) for instruction, preparation/studying, or course related activities.

Course Requirements, Assignments, and Grading:  
Evaluation  
Skill evaluation/assessment – 10@6 points  
Activity assignment – 3@ 5 points  
Outside Assignment - 10 points  
Final Assignment– 15 points

Grading Scale used to determine final course grade.

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

- August 21 – First Day of Class
- September 2 – Holiday
- November 11 – Holiday
- November 18 – Outside Assignment handed out in class
- November 27 – Non Instructional Day
- November 28-29 – Thanksgiving Break
- December 2 – Outside Assignment Due and Final Experience handed out in class
- December 9 - Last day of class
- Final Assignment due on regular scheduled final day and time (see details on Final Assignment hand out)

**University Policies**

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

[http://www.sjsu.edu/gup/syllabusinfo/](http://www.sjsu.edu/gup/syllabusinfo/)