#### **11:709:440/ 01:377:456 Nutrition and Fitness** (3 credit hours)

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# **Course Prerequisites**

11:709:255 Nutrition and Health; 01:119:115/116 General Biology

# **Course Description**

This course provides an understanding of the interactions between nutrition and exercise by integrating metabolism and physiology concepts in the context of recreational physical fitness training. This course will cover fluid, macronutrient and micronutrient requirements for sport and explore specific roles that carbohydrates, fats, proteins, vitamins and minerals play in fueling the body before, during and after exercise. Special topics exploring specific nutritional concerns of various types of athletes will be discussed. Additionally, students will conduct an individual research journey to assess the scientific basis and legitimacy of a dietary supplement claim.

### **Required Text**

Marie Dunford, J. Andrew Doyle; *Nutrition for Sport and Exercise* (Third Edition). Wadsworth, Cengage Learning (2015).

#### Learning goals

Through lectures, readings, class discussions and completion of an independent research project, students will:

- 1. Gain an understanding of basic nutrition principles and apply this knowledge to the needs of recreational athletes to enhance lifelong fitness and prevent chronic disease.
- 2. Outline the basic issues related to the legality of dietary supplements and the decision on whether to include them in a diet and training plan.
- 3. Classify types of research studies and levels of evidence in the exploration of dietary supplement claims and the use of scientific studies as a marketing tool.
- 4. Identify and describe disordered eating and exercise patterns.
- 5. Gain an understanding of the training and experience necessary to obtain various nutrition and exercise credentials.

Learning outcomes will be assessed by the following:

Exam 1 - 100 points

Exam 2 – 100 points

Exam 3 – 100 points

Exam 4 – 100 points

Individual Research Journey - 100 points

COURSE TOTAL - 500 points

- Exams include multiple-choice, fill-in, true-false, and short essay questions.
- Individual research journey guidelines will be detailed in class and provided in Resources on Sakai.

# **Course Outline**

| Date Dutille  | Tentative Topic                             | Reading |
|---------------|---|---------|
| 9/5 Tuesday   | Course Overview and Introduction            | Ch 1    |
| 9/8 Friday    | Basic Standards and Guidelines for Athletes | Ch 1    |
| 9/12 Tuesday  | Understanding and Evaluating Dietary        | Ch 1    |
|               | Supplements based on Scientific Evidence    |         |
|               | Research Journey Part 1 Draft Due           |         |
| 9/15 Friday   | Defining & Measuring Energy                 | Ch 2    |
| 9/19 Tuesday  | Energy Systems and Exercise I               | Ch 3    |
| 9/22 Friday   | Energy Systems and Exercise II              | Ch 3    |
| 9/26 Tuesday  | EXAM 1                                      |         |
| 9/29 Friday   | Carbohydrates I                             | Ch 4    |
|               | Research Journey Part 2 Draft Due           |         |
| 10/3 Tuesday  | Carbohydrates II                            | Ch 4    |
| 10/6 Friday   | Proteins I                                  | Ch 5    |
| 10/10 Tuesday | Proteins II                                 | Ch 5    |
| 10/13 Friday  | Fats I                                      | Ch 6    |
| 10/17 Tuesday | Fats II                                     | Ch 6    |
| 10/20 Friday  | EXAM 2                                      |         |
| 10/24 Tuesday | Water and Electrolytes I                    | Ch 7    |
|               | Research Journey Part 3 Draft Due           |         |
| 10/27 Friday  | Water and Electrolytes II                   | Ch 7    |
| 10/31 Tuesday | Vitamins                                    | Ch 8    |
| 11/3 Friday   | Minerals                                    | Ch 9    |
| 11/7 Tuesday  | Diet Planning: Food                         | Ch 10   |
| 11/10 Friday  | Diet Planning: Supplements                  | Ch 10   |
| 11/14 Tuesday | EXAM 3                                      |         |

| 11/17 Friday  | Weight and Body Composition I      | Ch 11   |
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| 11/21 Tuesday | Weight and Body Composition II     | Ch 11   |
| 11/28 Tuesday | Disordered Eating Patterns         | Ch 12   |
|               | Research Journey Part 4 Draft Due  |         |
| 12/1 Friday   | Disordered Exercise Patterns       | Ch 12   |
| 12/5 Tuesday  | Lifelong Fitness and Health        | Ch 13   |
| 12/8 Friday   | Diet, Exercise and Chronic Disease | Ch 13   |
| 12/12 Tuesday | Special Topics/Wrap-Up             |         |
|               | Research Journey All Parts 1-6 Due |         |
| 12/22 Friday  | EXAM 4 – NOT comprehensive         | 8-11 AM |

# **Grading Scale:**

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| Α  | 500 – 448 (100-90 %)  |
| B+ | 447 – 428 (89-86 %)   |
| В  | 427 – 400 (85-80 %)   |
| C+ | 399 – 378 (79-76 %)   |
| С  | 377 – 350 (75-70 %)   |
| D+ | 349 – 328 (69-66 % )  |
| D  | 327 – 300 (65-60 % )  |
| F  | 299 and below (<60 %) |
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#### **Course Policies**

Attendance is expected and participation is encouraged. If you expect to miss one or two classes, please use the University absence reporting website <a href="https://sims.rutgers.edu/ssra/">https://sims.rutgers.edu/ssra/</a> to indicate the date and reason for your absence (An email will automatically be sent to your professor). In cases where you must miss classes for periods longer than one week, please contact a Dean of Students for assistance to help verify your circumstances.

Laptop computers are to be used only for lecture slides or note taking. Cell phones should be in the "off" mode, use of cell phones in class is prohibited.

#### Make-up Exams:

Make-up exams will be granted only under exceptional circumstances, such as **serious** illness or death in the immediate family. **It is the student's responsibility to contact the instructors in person, by telephone or by e-mail, prior to or within \underline{24 \text{ hours}} of the missed exam. In the case of a missed exam that is appropriately documented (see below), the student must be prepared to <b>take the make-up within 1 week** following the missed exam. You must contact the instructor to arrange a date and time for a make-up exam. Appropriate documentation or independent verification of circumstance (e.g., doctor's note for illness) is required for approval to take a make-up exam. Failure to provide appropriate documentation will result in a grade of  $\underline{0}$  (zero) points on the missed exam.

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# Just In Case Web App

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