

Health
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HEALTH PRACTICUM

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The prerequisite for this course includes enrollment in a Honors Specialization Module and permission of the School of Health Studies to enrol in this co

OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 1:30 – 3:30 OR by appointment

Due to the nature of research, there are times when unforeseen circumstances may prevent me from being present during scheduled office hours. I am always interested in hearing from students so feel free to contact me with some potential meetings times and I will respond with a mutually suitable date and time.

COURSE CONTACT

Course E-mail address: use the web site mail for course related questions. Anything of a sensitive nature may be addressed to the instructor's personal e-mail (dbellive@uwo.ca). Responses to inquiries via the web site email are sent to a mailbox on the web site and NOT to your personal account. Some external email services may encounter SPAM blocking or filtering. Important and timely information may not get to you if you are using another email service.

Web site address: <http://webct.uwo.ca>, Log onto WebCT OWL using your user name and password. You must be registered in this course to have access to the site and you must have an account established with UWO. All course-related materials are ~~de~~ivered through WebCT OWL and all assignments are submitted through WebCT OWL.

EVALUATION

Your grade in this course is based on creation of learning contract, supervisor evaluation of your performance in the practicum, and a practicum paper. The learning contract is worth **10%**, the evaluation of your practicum performance is worth **30%**, and the practicum paper is worth **60%** of your final grade in the course.

GRADING: Learning Contract

The Learning Contract

The student is responsible for submitting a **learning contract** that indicates the learning goals and objectives for the practicum. The learning contract is developed in consultation with the practicum supervisor. In this course, the learning contract consists of the four components listed below:

1. **Learning objectives** or goals, for your practicum experience.
2. **Learning resources** (e.g., activities, readings) that will be used to achieve the objectives.
3. **An action plan** that outlines what strategies you will use to accomplish the learning objectives.
4. **Evaluation** of the learning achieved. In the case of this course, the evaluation component is determined by the School of Health Studies (See Evaluation section above).

The Practicum Paper

The practicum paper should be approximately 2,500 words in length

order to ensure fairness and consistency for all students, academic accommodation for work representing 10% or more of the student's overall grade in the course shall be granted only in those cases where there is documentation indicating that the student was seriously affected by illness and could not reasonably be expected to meet his/her academic responsibilities.

A UWO Student Medical Certificate (SMC) is required where a student is seeking academic accommodation. This documentation should be obtained at the time of the initial consultation with the physician or walk-in clinic. An SMC can be downloaded under the Medical Documentation heading of the following website: <https://studentservices.uwo.ca/secure/index.cfm>.

Documentation is required for non-medical absences where the course work missed is more than 10% of the overall grade. Students may contact their Faculty Academic Counselling Office for what documentation is needed. Whenever possible, students who require academic accommodation should provide notification and documentation in advance of due dates, examinations, etc. Students must follow up with their professors and their Academic Counselling office in a timely manner. Documentation for any request for accommodation shall be submitted, as soon as possible, to the appropriate Academic Counselling Office of the student's Faculty of registration. For BHSc students, you may go to the School of Health Studies Office in HSB room 222.

SCHOLASTIC OFFENCES

Scholastic offences are taken seriously and students are directed to read the appropriate policy, specifically, the definition of what constitutes a Scholastic Offence, at the following website: http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/handbook/appeals/scholastic_discipline_undergrad.pdf

Additionally,

1. All required 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 for such checking 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 The University of Western Ontario and Turnitin.com (<http://www.turnitin.com>).
2. 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.

SUPPORT SERVICES

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

1. Student Development Centre -- <http://www.sdc.uwo.ca/ssd/>
2. Student Health -- <http://www.shs.uwo.ca/student/studenthealthservices.html>
3. Registrar's Office -- <http://www.registrar.uwo.ca/>
4. Ombuds Office -- <http://www.uwo.ca/ombuds/>