## The University of Western Ontario School of Health Studies

## Health Sciences 3290B Special Topics in Health Promotion

Thursdays 7-10pm Location: SH 2355

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## **COURSE OVERVIEW:**

The purpose of this course is to provide students with an understanding of the approaches, theories,

# **EVALUATION:**

#### **Student Responsibilities:**

As a participant in this class, you should:

- x Read and reflect upon the assigned chapter BEFORE each class
- x Attend each class ready to engage with the course material
- x Participate respectfully with class and/or group discussions
- x Take seriously (and reflect upon) the opinions/arguments presented in your text, by your fellow students and your professor
- x Thoughtfully examine e Y H U \ G D \ \ \ \ \ \ F R P P R Q V H Q V H \ \ \ L G H D V \ W K U R \ \

#### **Attendance:**

Regular attendance is critical as many classes will address material not found in the text and/or will involve thinking outside the book. If you miss a class, please make arrangements with *another student* to obtain her/his notes. For logistical reasons, films cannot be shown out of class.

#### **Accommodation for Medical Illness or Non-Medical Absences:**

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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: <a href="https://studentservices.uwo.ca/secure/index.cfm">https://studentservices.uwo.ca/secure/index.cfm</a>.

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 DSSURSULDWH \$FDGHPLF &RXQVHOOLQJ 211LFH RI WKH VWXGH you may go to the School of Health Studies Office in HSB room 222. For more information, please see: http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/handbook/appeal-3()10(e)-3nehanRk/a 222. informnRk/af()]TJET EMC /P &M1n-U

If students are found using their laptops for anything other than taking notes or gathering research for their group project during tutorial (e.g. Facebook, TSN, Twitter, personal banking, Youtube, etc.) they will be asked to leave IMMEDIATELY. If misuse of laptops occurs during class time, laptops may be banned for the remainder of the class for ALL students. If it becomes an ongoing disruptive and disrespectful issue, laptops may be banned for the remainder of the course for ALL students.

## Cellphones, Blackberries, and Similar Devices:

Cellphones, Blackberries, and similar devices, must be turned OFF (not just vibrate) during classes unless specific permission is sought for emergency purposes in a given class. Text messaging / Twittering / Facebooking etc. are NOT permitted during class. If you MUST utilize your cell phone during class time for emergency situations, you need to communicate this with the instructor BEFORE class begins. If a student is found using any of these devices in class, he or she may be asked to leave the class.

#### **Grading scheme:**

I use the format provided below for grading, which is the university-wide scale that has been approved by

the Senate.

**A**+ 90-100 Exceptional

A 80-89 Superior work, above average.
B 70-79 Good work, meeting all requirements, and eminently satisfactory.

C 60-69 Competent work, meeting requirements.

**D** 50-59 Fair work, minimally acceptable.

F below 50 Fail

#### **ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS**

#### **Student Code of Conduct**

The purpose of the Code of Student Conduct is to define the general standard of conduct expected of students registered at The University of Western Ontario, provide examples of behaviours that constitute a breach of this standard of conduct, provide examples of the sanctions that may be imposed, and set out the disciplinary procedures that the University will follow. For more information, visit http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/board/code.pdf.

#### **Scholastic Offenses & Policies**

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 Web site: http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/handbook/appeals/scholoff.pdf.

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### Plagiarism and Plagiarism Checking

Students must write their assignments in their own words. Whenever students take an idea, or a passage from another author, they must acknowledge their debt both by using quotation marks where appropriate and by proper referencing such as footnotes or citations. *Plagiarism is a major academic* 

offence (see Scholastic Offence Policy in the Western Academic Calendar). All required papers and assignments may be subject to submission for textual similarity review to the commercial plagiarism detection software under license to the University.

#### **Scantron Exams**

Computer-marked multiple-choice exams may be subject to submission for similarity review by software that will check for unusual coincidences in answer patterns that may indicate cheating.

#### **Rounding of Grades**

This is a practice that some students request. *This practice will not occur here*. The edges of this course are clear and sharp. The mark attained is the mark you achieved and the mark assigned; there is no URXQGLQJWRWKHQH[WJUDGHOHYHO 3OHDVHGRQ¶WDV

### **Support Services**