

Western University
Faculty of Health Sciences
School of Health Studies

HEALTHSCI 3990 – Health Studies Internship

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NOTE: All course information including grades, assignment outlines, deadlines, etc. are available via OWL. Check the website regularly for course announcements.

Calendar Course Description (including prerequisites/anti-requisites):

This course provides students with preparatory workshops and an applied professional learning experience for a period of 8-16 months at a sponsoring agency approved by the Faculty of Health Sciences. Using an application/interview process, selected students will be entered into the course once hired by external employers.

Prerequisite(s): Completion of 2nd year in the School of Health Studies with a minimum average of 70%, and participation in Preparation and Training Workshops; approval of, and acceptance into, an internship work term and permission from the Faculty of Health Sciences.

Antirequisite(s): Kinesiology 3890.

Extra Information: Pass/Fail. 1.0 course.

Credit for this course will not be given unless a minimum 8-month internship and all other mandatory

- Develop new knowledge and skills to facilitate connections between theory and practice.
- Demonstrate gains in personal development (e.g., heightened self-awareness, citizenship, understanding of work and personal values, career and professional development, etc.).
- Identify opportunities in their discipline and see connections between other areas of study.
- Articulate transferable skills and career competencies; identify areas for future knowledge and skill development.

Internship Learning Outcomes:

Learning outcomes specific to each student's internship will be identified and agreed upon by the student, supervisor, course instructor, and placement coordinator at the start of the internship (see "Course Requirements" for more details).

Course Requirements:

The student will participate in several structured activities aimed to enhance the work experience and contribute towards the student's learning.

Internship deliverables:

1. Internship Agreement: Prior to the start of the internship, the student will meet with the placement coordinator to sign an Internship Agreement.
2. Learning Contract: At the start of the internship, the student will complete a Learning Contract in a collaborative manner with the supervisor, to be approved by the course instructor.
3. Mid-Point Reflection: At the mid-point of the internship, the student will complete a Mid-Point Reflection activity designed to monitor the student's progress at the internship site.
4. Final Report: At the end of the internship, the student will submit a Final Report.

In addition to the internship deliverables, the placement coordinator will conduct a mid-point site visit or check-in call with the student and supervisor. The supervisor will be asked to complete two Evaluations during the internship – Interim and Final.

Required Course Material/Text:

Any required readings will be posted on OWL.

Course Evaluation:

Students must successfully address all course requirements noted above. **The internship will be graded on a Pass/Fail basis.**

Course/University Policies

1. Academic offences:

Consideration Request form found online

https://www.uwo.ca/fhs/shs/academic_counselling/files/acad_accomm.pdf in addition to an SMC or appropriate documentation in the event of a non-medical absence. These documents will be retained in the student's file and will be held in confidence in accordance with the University's Official Student Record Information Privacy Policy.

5. Grades:

Where possible assignment objectives and rubrics will be posted on OWL. Should you have a concern regarding the grade you received for an assignment or feel that it is unfair in any way, you must wait 24 hours from the receipt of the assignment to approach the instructor. In doing so, please make an appointment and prepare in writing, with evidence, why you feel your grade is inappropriate. Please be aware that in requesting a grade reassessment, your grade could go up/down/or stay the same.

6. 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 Western University, provide examples of behaviour that constitutes a breach of this standard of conduct, provide examples of sanctions that may be imposed and set out the disciplinary procedures that the University will follow. For more information, visit <https://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/board/code.pdf>