

**The University of Western Ontario**  
**School of Health Studies**  
**Faculty of Health Sciences**  
**HS 4250A: Population Health Intervention**

**Class times:** Blended Model – In person class time: Fridays 10:30am – 11:30am  
**Location:** SSC-3006  
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**A. Course Description**

Whether or not individuals engage in health-related behaviours maybe a matter of population health interventions. For example, do you use your cell phone while driving? Since Ontario implemented their no cell use while driving law, people think twice about talking while driving. This course will focus on understanding population health and the intervention methods and research applied to changing socio-structural, cultural and environmental determinants of health known to influence the health of the population. The specific focus will be upon understanding the population health approach and how to design, implement and evaluate population health interventions.

*It is the current position of the university that we should expect to be “in person” in the fall. This has meant that classes can be scheduled in one of three ways:*

1. *“In Person”:* All instruction is delivered on campus and in person.
2. *“Blended”:* Instruction is delivered with a combination of asynchronous online and in person methods. At least 30% of the instruction must be delivered online, and some of the content must be delivered in person.
3. *“Distance”:* All instruction is delivered online (and all assessments are delivered in an online asynchronous fashion).

**B. Course Objectives**

1. To gain a better understanding of population health, the population health approach and population health interventions.
2. To examine population health exemplars including policies, programs and resource distribution approaches that impact populations by reducing health inequities.
3. To learn about how population health interventions are designed, implemented and evaluated through the study of various population interventions research studies.

**C. Prerequisite Checking**

Unless you have either the requisites for this course or written special permission from your Dean to enroll in it, you may be removed from this course and it will be deleted from your record. This decision may not be appealed. You will receive no adjustment to your fees in the event that you are dropped

## E. Evaluation

Note. 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) (<http://www.turnitin.com>)

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

Late assignments will receive an automatic 5% deduction if not handed in by the due date and a subsequent 10% deducted for every 24-hour period after the due date.

(e.g., attending lectures or labs, writing tests or midterm exams, completing and submitting assignments, participating in presentations) should self-declare using the online Self-Reported Absence portal. This option should be used in situations where the student expects to resume academic responsibilities within 48 hours or less. The following conditions are in place for self-reporting of medical or extenuating circumstances:

- a. Students will be allowed a maximum of two self-reported absences between September and April, and one self-reported absence between May and August;
- b. The duration of the excused absence will be for a maximum of 48 hours from the time the Self-Reported Absence form is completed through the online portal, or from 8:30am the following morning if the form is submitted after 4:30pm;
- c. The duration of the excused absence will terminate prior to the end of the 48 hour period, should the student undertake significant academic responsibilities (e.g., write a test, submit a paper) during that time;
- d. The duration of an excused absence will terminate at 8:30am on the day following the last day of classes each semester, regardless of how many days of absence have elapsed;
- e. Self-reported absences will not be allowed for scheduled final examinations; for midterm examinations scheduled during the December examination period; or for final lab examinations (i.e., “bellringers”);
- f. Self-reporting may not be used for assessments (e.g., midterm exams, tests, reports, presentations, or essays) worth more than 30% of any given course;
- g. Students must be in touch with their instructors no later than 24 hours after the end of the period covered by the Self-Reported Absence form, to clarify how they will be expected to fulfil the academic expectations they may have missed

### **G. Use of Electronic Devices**

***During Quizzes:** Unless you have medical accommodations that require you to do so, or explicit permission from the instructor of the course, you may not use any electronic devices during ANY tests, quizzes, midterms, examinations, or other in-class evaluations.*

***During Lectures and Tutorials:** Although you are welcome to use a computer during lecture and tutorial periods, you are expected to use the computer for scholastic purposes only, and refrain from engaging in any activities that may distract other students from learning. From time to time, your professor may ask the class to turn off all computers, to facilitate learning or discussion of the material presented in a particular class. **Unless explicitly noted otherwise, you may not make audio or video recordings of lectures – nor may you edit, re-use, distribute, or re-broadcast any of the material posted to the course website.***

### **H. Academic 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 Web site: [Academic Calendar - Western University \(uwo.ca\)](https://www.uwo.ca/academiccalendar/)

### **I. Support Services**

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## **L. Creating and maintaining a respectful and productive learning environment**

In order to maintain a respectful and productive learning environment, it is essential everyone be respectful. Disrespectful and disruptive behaviour via posts and discussions that is considered disrespectful by the professor who will use her discretion in deciding how best to deal with the situation. If disruptive behaviour persists, the professor may ask the offending student/s to stop talking the course. The professor has the right to remove any posted content without warning.

### **Additional Information**

*The university-wide descriptor of the meaning of letter grades, as approved by Senate:*

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| A+ | 90-100   | <i>One could scarcely expect better from a student at this level</i>  |
| A  | 80-89    | <i>Superior work that is clearly above average</i>                    |
| B  | 70-79    | <i>Good work, meeting all requirements and eminently satisfactory</i> |
| C  | 60-69    | <i>Competent work, meeting requirements</i>                           |
| D  | 50-59    | <i>Fair work, minimally acceptable.</i>                               |
| F  | below 50 | <i>Fail</i>   |

*It is expected that the grades for this course will fall between 74% and 80%. In the event that the course average falls outside this range, a constant may be added (or subtracted) from each student's grade, by the instructor, to bring the class average in line with school policy.*

Year 1: 68-72

Year 2: 70-74 (core) and 72-76 (elective)

Year 3: 72-76 (core) and 74-78 (elective)

Year 4: 74-80

### **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 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>.

## Course Schedule

| Wk   | Date | Content/Readings  | Quiz/Assignment |
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- Topic: Childhood Health: Early Education.
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| 7 | Oct<br>25 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Topic: Tobacco</b></li><li>• Review of the problem, indicators, and current population interventions.</li></ul> |  |
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