

**2225G -650: The Inside Track- Sports Writing
Winter 2020**

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Course Description and Objectives

For decades, the sports pages have been an integral part of the daily newspaper and more recently the online versions. Sports makes up its own section in practically every daily paper on the continent, and in the past 50 years or so has spread widely into the magazine world. Sports TV channels are an integral part of every cable or network operation

Course Requirements

I will track your postings to the discussion Board, and it will be part of your 5% Online Discussion/ Exercises/Workshopping mark indicated above. **Failure to meet the minimum**

Medical Accommodation Policy

For UWO Policy on Accommodation For Medical Illness, see:

<http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/handbook/appeals/medical.pdf>

(downloadable Student Medical Certificate (SMC): <https://studentservices.uwo.ca> under the Medical Documentation heading)

Students seeking academic accommodation **on medical or other grounds** for any missed tests, exams, participation components and/or assignments **worth 10% or more of their final grade** must apply to the Academic Counselling office of their home Faculty and provide documentation. Academic accommodation on medical grounds cannot be granted by the instructor or Writing Studies, and Writing Studies requires students in these circumstances to follow the same procedure when seeking academic accommodation on non-medical (i.e. non-medical compassionate or other) grounds.

Students seeking academic accommodation **on medical grounds** for any missed tests, exams, participation components and/or assignments **worth less than 10% of their final grade** must also apply to the Academic Counselling office of their home Faculty and provide documentation. Where in these circumstances the accommodation is being sought on **non-medical grounds**, students should consult in the first instance with their instructor, who may elect to make a decision on the request directly, or refer the student to the Academic Counselling office of their home Faculty.

Students should also note that individual instructors are not permitted to receive medical documentation directly from a student, whether in support of an application for accommodation on medical grounds, or for other reasons (e.g. to explain an absence from class which may result in a grade penalty under an

All medical documentation **must** be submitted to the Academic

“Students who are in emotional/mental distress should refer to MentalHealth@Western: <http://www.uwo.ca/uwocom/mentalhealth/> for a complete list of options about how to obtain help.

Special Requests: Special Examinations, Incomplete Standing, Aegrotat Standing

Briefly, remember that your instructor does not have the discretion to initiate, consider, or grant (or not) such requests; you must go directly to

NO ASSIGNMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER April 9, 2020. OUTSTANDING WORK AS OF THIS DATE WILL RECEIVE A GRADE OF ZERO.

Class Meeting Schedule

Date	Meeting focus	Readings
Week 1 Starts Jan. 6	Introduction/ Sports Writing Basics	I will provide you a link to a current sports story in a newspaper from this week. Also read Chapter 1: From Sports Fan to Sports Reporter at this link: http://books.google.ca/books?id=vn30_SPU44C&printsec=frontcover&dq=field+guide+to+covering http://irenebakistan.weebly.com/sports-writing.html

Week
2

Week 3		the-game-story/
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Week 11 Workshop
Features.