

The University of Texas at Arlington
Department of Kinesiology
Environmental Health

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Required Readings: Our Global Environment, A Health Perspective by Nadakuvukaren;
Study Guide for Our Global Environment, A Health Perspective by Nadakavukaren,
Ann.

Course Description: The study of the basic principles of ecology as they relate to the general Health of society; we will look at topics such as (present) conditions of soil, water, air, etc., nationally and globally. We will also view several videotapes on the topics covered during lecture and class discussion. Also, guest speaker(s) will be invited to class to discuss respective areas of environmental expertise such as the EPA, the Sierra Club, etc.

Course Learning Goals, Objectives: The student will be able to: Demonstrate knowledge of terms related to ecology and the protection and conservation of the environment. Describe, in writing and orally, a specific health concern related to ecology. Apply appropriate health care techniques to specific environmental health concerns. Analyze and logically determine how serious the state of the environment actually is . . .

Specific Course Requirement with descriptions

1. Quizzes: (number and type):10 @ 5 pts. Each (unannounced)
2. Examinations: (number and type): 3 @ 100 pts. each
3. Final Examination: Final Exam – Comprehensive
4. Other Graded Assignments (Homework/Projects/Labs/Research Papers): 10 articles @ 5 pts each (to be assigned weekly)
5. Missed Exams, Quizzes, and Make Up Work: N/A
6. Grading Format Weighting/Point Value of Assignments and Examinations: 3 exams@100 pts each = 300 pts. 10 articles @ 5 pts. Each = 50 points. Total 400 pts. A = 358 – 400, B = 318 – 357, C = 278 – 317, D = 238 – 277, F = 237 & below.

Final Review Week

A period of five class days prior to the first day of final examinations in the long sessions shall be designated as Final Review Week. The purpose of this week is to allow students sufficient time to prepare for final examinations. During this week, there shall be no scheduled activities such as required field trips or performances; and no instructor shall assign any themes, research problems or exercises of similar scope that have a completion date during or following this week unless specified in the class syllabi. . During Final Review Week, an instructor shall not give any examinations constituting 10% or more of the final grade, except makeup tests and laboratory examinations. In addition, no instructor shall give any portion of the final examination during Final Review Week.

Americans With Disabilities Act

The University of Texas at Arlington is on record as being committed to both the spirit and letter of federal equal opportunity legislation; reference Public Law 93112 -- The Rehabilitation Act of 1973 as amended. With the passage of new federal legislation entitled Americans With Disabilities Act - (ADA), pursuant to section 504 of The Rehabilitation Act, there is renewed focus on providing this population with the same opportunities enjoyed by all citizens.

As a faculty member, I am required by law to provide "reasonable accommodation" to students with disabilities, so as not to discriminate on the basis of that disability. Student responsibility primarily rests with **informing faculty at the beginning of the semester and in providing authorized documentation through designated administrative channels.**

Academic Dishonesty

It is the philosophy of The University of Texas at Arlington that academic dishonesty is a completely unacceptable mode of conduct and will not be tolerated in any form. All persons involved in academic dishonesty will be disciplined in accordance with University regulations and procedures. Discipline may include suspension or expulsion from the University.

"Scholastic dishonesty includes but is not limited to cheating, plagiarism, collusion, the submission for credit of any work or materials that are attributable in whole or in part to another person, taking an examination for another person, any act designed to give unfair advantage to a student or the attempt to commit such acts." (Regents' Rules and Regulations, Part One, Chapter VI, Section 3, Subsection 3.2, Subdivision 3.22)

The University of Texas at Arlington College of Education

Mission, Core Values and Professional Dispositions

MISSION: To develop and deliver an educational program that ensures the highest teacher, administrator and allied health science preparation and performance and

To be a recognized contributor in the field of educational and allied health science research and practice through effective teaching, quality research and meaningful service.

The Educator and Administrator Preparation units' collaboratively developed shared vision is based on these **CORE VALUES**, dispositions and commitments to:

- Excellence
- Learner-centered environment
- Research-based
- Collaboration
- Diversity
- Technology
- Field Experiences
- Life-long Learning

Each candidate in the Educator and Administrator Unit of the College of Education of UT-Arlington will be evaluated on **PROFESSIONAL DISPOSITIONS** by faculty and staff. These dispositions have been identified as essential for a highly-qualified educator. Instructors and program directors will work with candidates rated as "unacceptable" in one or more stated criteria. The candidate will have an opportunity to develop a plan to remediate any deficiencies.

Demonstrates excellence

- Meets stated expectations of student performance.
- Keeps timelines. Arrives on time for class and other activities.
- Produces significant artifacts of practitioner evidence.
- Possesses a willingness to set goals.
- Attends all classes/trainings and practicum experiences.
- Completes activities as assigned.
- Has appropriate personal appearance and/or hygiene for professional setting.

Participates in a learner centered environment and shows respect for self and others

- Uses appropriate and professional language and conduct.
- Supports a "high quality" learning environment.
- Shows respect and consideration for the thoughts and feelings of others.

Research-based pedagogy

- Has an awareness of and willingness to accept research-based concepts.
- Identifies important trends in education.
- Demonstrates interests in learning new ideas and strategies.
- Relates class discussions and issues to current events in education.

Participates in on-going collaboration with peers and professionals

- Demonstrates kindness, fairness, patience, dignity and respect in working with peers, staff and instructors.
- Works effectively with others.
- Assists others in the university classroom or practicum setting.
- Demonstrates an openness to assistance from others.
- Receives feedback in a positive manner and makes necessary adjustment.

Exhibits stewardship of diversity

- Shows appropriate stewardship and tolerance to diverse people, environments, and situations.

Advocates use of technology

- Uses and applies existing technologies sufficiently in work.
- Shows a willingness to use and apply emerging technologies in work.

Shows interest in the learner and the learning-process

- Demonstrates significant learning improvement over time.
- Shows interest in the learning process and demonstrates the necessary amount of time, energy, and enthusiasm for becoming better learners, teachers, and practitioners.