

# Physiological Basis of Exercise

APK6116 | Class # 14630 | 3 Credits | Summer C 2025

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## Course Info

### INSTRUCTOR

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### OFFICE HOURS

Students may request individual Zooms meetings by appointment via CANVAS email

### MEETING TIME/LOCATION

Access course through Canvas on UF e-Learning (<https://elearning.ufl.edu/>) & the Canvas mobile app by Instructure

This is a fully online course with no required synchronous meeting location or times.

All lectures will be online in the form of pre-recorded videos posted in CANVAS

## COURSE DESCRIPTION

Applying fundamental concepts of human physiology to programs of physical education and sports. Recent research developments in sports physiology.

This graduate level exercise physiology course is designed to examine the acute and chronic physiological responses to exercise. Topics covered include the systemic and cellular adaptations that occur in response to acute and chronic exercise, the physiological adaptations that occur in specific organ systems with exercise and principles of effective training paradigms to elicit physiological changes.

## PREREQUISITE KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

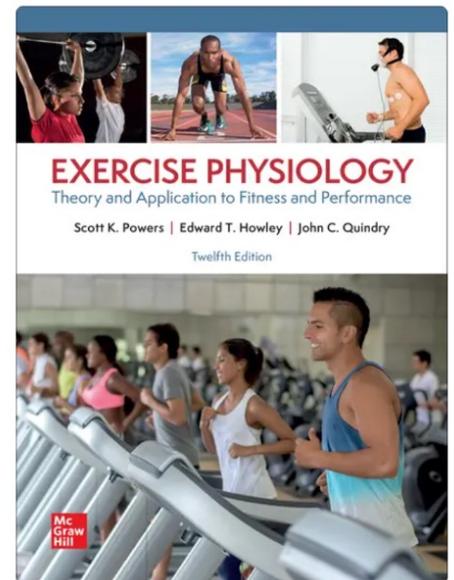
APK6116 is an introductory exercise physiology course aimed at graduate students who possess an undergraduate level understanding of human exercise physiology. This course is specific for students enrolled in the APK Online Master's Program and there are no course prerequisites to take APK6116. However, any

previous experiences in the following areas will be helpful to students taking this course: medical terminology, physiology, exercise physiology, anatomy, and/or biology.

## REQUIRED AND RECOMMENDED MATERIALS

The following are resources for class:

- **RECOMMENDED TEXTBOOK:** *Exercise Physiology: Theory and Application to Fitness and Performance* by Powers, Howley and Quindry. 12<sup>th</sup> edition. McGraw-Hill.
- **SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIALS:** Additional materials in the form of original scientific journal articles or other forms of supplemental material will be posted on the course Canvas page.



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## COURSE FORMAT

Students will watch pre-recorded lecture videos. **Links to the lecture videos will NOT be removed and will be left up for the duration of the semester. Therefore, it is the student's responsibility to go through the material in timely matter prior to any exam.** It is highly advised that students adhere to the course schedule at the end of the syllabus to make sure they stay on track. Links to the video lectures can be found on the individual topic/subject pages within Canvas.

## COURSE LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

By the end of this course, students will be able to:

- Understand and identify theories and laboratory techniques utilized in assessing human physiological responses to exercise and training.
- Graphically describe and explain systemic and cellular changes that occur with exercise
- Explain the efficacy of specific exercise training paradigms and the effect on the human body, both at the systemic and cellular level
- Identify and describe the gross and microscopic structures of the organ systems covered.
- Describe the relationship between structure and function at all levels of anatomical organization (molecular, cellular, tissue, organ, system, organism).
- Predict changes in function and adaptations on the body's organ systems if given a disease, environmental perturbation or training paradigm
- Critically evaluate and interpret scientific literature in exercise physiology
- Engage in critical and constructive academic discussions of exercise physiology topics
- Effectively communicate (written and verbally) with peers and professions using scientific knowledge in exercise physiology

## Course & University Policies

### UF STUDENT COMPUTING REQUIREMENTS:

As a 100% online course and as per the UF student computing requirements, "access to and on-going use of a computer is required for all students." UF does not recommend students relying on/regularly using tablet

devices, mobile phones or Chromebook devices as their primary computer as it may not be compatible with specific platforms used in this course or UF (<https://it.ufl.edu/policies/student-computing-requirements/>). Access to fast, secure Wi-Fi will be necessary for this course. If a student is in an area with limited wi-fi access, UF students can access **eduroam** for free with their GatorLink log-in credentials.

***How to connect to eduroam:***

1. If you can get a Wi-Fi signal at any of the eduroam locations (see below) and your mobile device (laptop, smartphone, or tablet) has already been configured for eduroam, then you will automatically connect.
2. Otherwise, follow the instructions for connecting here: <https://helpdesk.ufl.edu/connecting-to-eduroam-off-campus/>.

There are more than 100 Wi-Fi hotspots in Florida, including several state university campuses and community colleges. You don't have to sit in a car--many locations have open spaces and communal rooms available so you can get online while socially distancing and following CDC guidelines in an air-conditioned space. Also, in Florida all of the UF/IFAS Research and Education Centers (REC) are equipped with eduroam, so if you live in a rural area of your county you can visit an REC to securely watch course videos and take care of your academic needs. Here's a link to all the eduroam sites in the U.S.: <https://incommon.org/eduroam/eduroam-u-s-locator-map/>.

If you have any problems connecting to eduroam you can call (352-392-HELP/4357) or [email](#) the UF Computing Help Desk.

## **ATTENDANCE/PARTICIPATION POLICY**

Because this is an entirely online course, you are not expected to physically be on UF's campus at any time. However, you most certainly ARE expected to participate in discussion posts, assignments, engagement activities, and exams.

## **MAKE-UP POLICY**

**Exams:** Unexcused missed exams will result in a zero on the exam (this includes contacting the instructor after the exam window if you are ill). If you are sick or have an emergency that prevents you from taking the exam at the scheduled time, it is your responsibility to contact the instructor as soon as possible. Documentation of the illness or emergency will be required. If you need to schedule a make-up exam, please email the course instructor giving a detailed explanation and attaching any documentation that verifies your reasoning. Make-up exams will be given at the discretion of the instructor. Scheduling make-up exams is the responsibility of the student and should be done—if at all possible—before the scheduled exam time. If you have a serious emergency or death, please contact the Dean of Students Office ([www.dso.ufl.edu](http://www.dso.ufl.edu)) and they will contact your instructor so that you do not have to provide documentation of the emergency/death in order to get a make-up exam. Make-up exams are NOT permitted for the following (among others): family vacation, sporting event travel, attending weddings (unless you are IN the wedding), having exams in other classes on the same day.

**Quizzes:** There are no make-ups for the mastery quizzes, nor are the quizzes subject to a late penalty. A student will receive a zero on the quiz once the due date has passed. Mastery quizzes are open to students to take at any time during the module (i.e., multiple weeks), so it is incumbent on the student to ensure they are completed in a timely manner prior to the deadline.

**Assignments:** Late submissions of any assignment will be penalized 25% for every 24 hours after the deadline. Assignments submitted 96 hours (i.e. 4 days) after the deadline will not be accepted and will receive a zero.

- E.g. If the deadline is on Sunday at 11:59pm EST and a student submits their assignment on Monday at 1:30am EST, there will be a 25% penalty.

Requirements for class attendance and make-up exams, assignments, and other work are consistent with the university policies that can be found at <https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/attendance.aspx>.

## PERSONAL CONDUCT POLICY

Students are expected to exhibit behaviors that reflect highly upon themselves and our University:

- Read and refer to the syllabus
- Show respect for the authority of the course instructor through politeness and use of proper titles (e.g., “Dr. Nguyen” or “Dr. N”)
- Send your email to the address preferred by your instructor. For this course, your instructor prefers to be contacted with the email tool in CANVAS.
- Use of professional, courteous standards for all emails and discussions:
  - Descriptive subject line
  - Address the reader using proper title and name spelling
  - Body of the email should be concise but have sufficient detail. Reading a three-page dissertation on the importance of your family vacation is not fun for anyone except your mother.
  - All uppercase letters indicates shouting...PLEASE AVOID THIS UNLESS YOU ARE HAPPY!
  - Refrain from profanity in your message, even if it is meant to be humorous.
  - Give a respectful salutation (e.g., thank you, sincerely, respectfully)
  - No textspeak (e.g., OMG, WTH, IMO)
- Adherence to the UF Student Honor Code: <https://www.dso.ufl.edu/sccr/process/student-conduct-honor-code/>
  - Honor code violations of any kind will not be tolerated and sanctions will be determined by the course instructor for first-time violators
  - Any use, access, or handling of technology during an exam will result in a zero on the exam **and** potential failure of the course
  - Communication between students (verbal or non-verbal, i.e. texting, online messaging, emailing, talking, whispering, nods, winks, tapping, Morse code etc.) of any kind during an exam is strictly prohibited and any violations will be reported to the SCCR
  - All allegations, regardless of the severity, will be reported to the Dean of Students Office for University-level documentation and processing
  - *Sharing or posting of the lecture videos anywhere is strictly prohibited and will be processed as an Honor Code violation. Students who are aware of such sharing/posting of the lecture videos are obligated to disclose that information to their course instructor.*
  - **Any and all lecture video links are for the specific use by students that are currently registered for this specific section of APK6116c only.**
  - Use of secondary electronic devices has been a problem in the past on exams. Please know that your instructor DOES monitor the Honorlock videos to support academic integrity.

All UF students are bound by **The Honor Pledge** which states:

*“We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honor and integrity by abiding by the Honor Code. On all work submitted for credit by students at the University of Florida, the following pledge is either required or implied: “On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment.”*

The Honor Code (<http://www.dso.ufl.edu/sccr/process/student-conduct-honor-code/>) specifies a number of behaviors that are in violation of this code and the possible sanctions. Furthermore, you are

obliged to report any condition that facilitates academic misconduct to appropriate personnel. If you have any questions or concerns, please consult Dr. Nguyen or TA in this class.

**University Policy on Academic Misconduct:** Academic honesty and integrity are fundamental values of the University community. Students should be sure that they understand the UF Student Honor Code at <https://www.dso.ufl.edu/sccr/process/student-conduct-honor-code/>.

- Honor code violations of any kind will not be tolerated and sanctions will be determined by the course instructor for first-time violators
- Any use, access, or handling of technology during an exam will result in a zero on the exam
- Students should use proper citations on assignments. Plagiarism of any kind is not permitted and violations will be reported.
- The use of AI, ChatGPT, or any similar type of assistive technology is strictly prohibited for any written assignment (i.e. essays, etc.); all assignments are to be reflective of the student's own original work.
  - The exception to this would be for the AI-specific assignments in this course
- All allegations, regardless of the severity, will be reported to the Dean of Students Office for University-level documentation and processing.

## ACCOMMODATING STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Students requesting accommodation for disabilities must first register with the Dean of Students Office (<http://www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/>). DRC-registered students must request their accommodation letter to be sent to their instructors via the DRC file management system prior to submitting assignments or taking quizzes/exams. Accommodations are not retroactive, therefore, students should contact the office as soon as possible in the term for which they are seeking accommodations. Students may reach out and contact their course instructor to verify receipt of their accommodation letter.

**Students registered with the DRC:** DRC-registered students will take their exams, both lecture and lab, in Canvas similar to other students but with their specific accommodations (i.e. extended time, use of screen reader, etc.) Please contact the instructor if the start time of exams needs to be adjusted due to overlap with other courses.

*It is imperative that you verify your specific access needs with your course instructor at least 48 hours PRIOR to scheduled assessments.*

## COURSE EVALUATIONS

Students are expected to provide professional and respectful feedback on the quality of instruction in this course by completing course evaluations online. Students can complete evaluations in three ways: (1) The email they receive from GatorEvals, (2) Their Canvas course menu under GatorEvals, or (3) The central portal at <https://my-ufl.bluera.com>. Guidance on how to provide constructive feedback is available at <https://gatorevals.aa.ufl.edu/students/>. Students will be notified when the evaluation period opens. Summaries of course evaluation results are available to students at <https://gatorevals.aa.ufl.edu/public-results/>.

**HONORLOCK SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS (EXAM PROCTORING):** Exams will be proctored using HonorLock. Students will not need to sign-up/scheduling a testing time nor do students need to create an account. To ensure your device is compliant with HonorLock a series of pre-assessment checks must be performed before gaining access to the exam. Specifications necessary for HonorLock to work are listed below:

- **System compatibility and quiz setup:**
  - HonorLock is only supported through [Google Chrome web browser](#) on Mac, PC (no other mobile devices or tablets are supported)
  - Students must install the [HonorLock Extension](#) within Chrome

- Beginning July 1, 2020 HonorLock will no longer support Windows 8, Windows 8.1, Mac OSX 10.11 and Mac OSX 10.12. You can find the updated Minimum System Requirements as well as a system compatibility test at [honorlock.com/support](http://honorlock.com/support)
- **Additional considerations using HonorLock for exams:**
  - You will need to take the exam on a desktop computer or laptop with a microphone and webcam set up on your chosen device. This will not work on mobile devices, such as iPads, tablets, or smartphones.
  - You need to make sure that the camera is facing YOU at all times – if the camera does not stay facing you or if you are out of frame, the exam will pause preventing you from continuing with the exam even mid-way through.
  - You need to open Canvas on the **Google Chrome internet browser** and to download the HonorLock Chrome Extension. Any other internet browsers will not be compatible with HonorLock.
  - Make sure you have a stable Internet connection wherever you are taking the exam (i.e. good Wi-Fi)
  - Make sure the room you are taking the exam in is well-lit and that you are by yourself. Rooms that are not bright enough may get flagged as “blurry” or “unclear”.
  - You must have a valid Photo ID (Gator ID, driver’s license, passport, etc.).
  - Only one screen (i.e. cannot have multiple monitors) and one tab (i.e. the tab that is being used for the exam) in Chrome is allowed. HonorLock also has an integrity algorithm that can detect search-engine use, so do not attempt to search for answers, even if it is on a secondary device.
  - An HonorLock Practice Test will be set up under Quizzes in Canvas. **Please go through this practice test well in-advance of taking the exam.** This practice test allows you to go through all of the pre-assessment checks so you will know what to expect when taking the exam itself. **Take the practice test on the device you intend to take the exam on and in the same environment (building, room, etc).**

**Failure to meet the items above may result in a 0 grade.** If you encounter any issues with the testing platform or the exam, you need to email your course instructor immediately with specific details of what occurred so that they can assist you as quickly as possible.

## Getting Help

### HEALTH & WELLNESS

- ***U Matter, We Care:*** If you or someone you know is in distress, please contact [umatter@ufl.edu](mailto:umatter@ufl.edu), 352-392-1575, or visit [U Matter, We Care website](#) to refer or report a concern and a team member will reach out to the student in distress.
- ***Counseling and Wellness Center:*** Visit the [Counseling and Wellness Center website](#) or call 352-392-1575 for information on crisis services as well as non-crisis services.
- ***Student Health Care Center:*** Call 352-392-1161 for 24/7 information to help you find the care you need or visit the [Student Health Care Center website](#).
- ***University Police Department:*** Visit [UF Police Department website](#) or call 352-392-1111 (or 9-1-1 for emergencies).
- ***UF Health Shands Emergency Room / Trauma Center:*** For immediate medical care call 352-733-0111 or go to the emergency room at 1515 SW Archer Road, Gainesville, FL 32608; or visit the [UF Health Emergency Room and Trauma Center website](#).
- ***GatorWell Health Promotion Services:*** For prevention services focused on optimal wellbeing, including Wellness Coaching for Academic Success, visit the [GatorWell website](#) or call 352-273-4450.

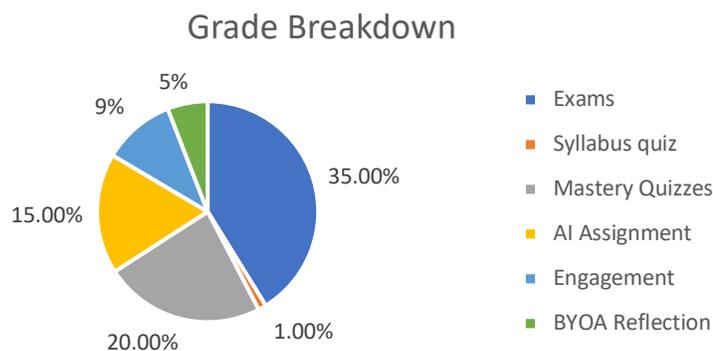
## ACADEMIC RESOURCES

- **E-learning technical support:** Contact the [UF Computing Help Desk](#) at 352-392-4357 or via e-mail at [helpdesk@ufl.edu](mailto:helpdesk@ufl.edu).
- **Career Connections Center:** Reitz Union Suite 1300, 352-392-1601. Career assistance and counseling services.
- **Library Support:** Various ways to receive assistance with respect to using the libraries or finding resources.
- **Teaching Center:** 1317 Turlington Hall, 352-392-2010 or to make an appointment 352- 392-6420. General study skills and tutoring.
- **Writing Studio:** 2215 Turlington Hall, 352-846-1138. Help brainstorming, formatting, and writing papers.
- **Student Complaints & Grievances:** Students are encouraged to communicate first with the involved person(s), but [here](#) is more information on the appropriate reporting process.
- **For issues with technical difficulties for Canvas,** please contact the UF Help Desk at:
  - [Helpdesk@ufl.edu](mailto:Helpdesk@ufl.edu)
  - (352) 392-HELP
  - <https://request.it.ufl.edu>
  - Any requests for make-ups due to technical issues MUST be accompanied by the ticket number received from Helpdesk when the problem was reported to them. The ticket number will document the time and date of the problem. You MUST e-mail your instructor within 24 hours of the technical difficulty if you wish to request a make-up.

## Grading

The following table outlines the components to the course on which you will be evaluated.

| Evaluation Components<br>(number of each) | Approximate % of Total Grade |
|---|------------------------------|
| Syllabus quiz                             | 1%                           |
| Exams                                     | 35%                          |
| Mastery Quizzes                           | 20%                          |
| AI Assignments                            | 15%                          |
| Engagement                                | 9%                           |
| BYOA Essays                               | 15%                          |
| BYOA Reflection                           | 5%                           |



**Syllabus Quiz** - The syllabus quiz will consist of 10 questions to ensure all students are aware of and understand the course assessments and policies. Students will be given an unlimited number of attempts on the quiz and to access all course material, students must receive a perfect score to unlock the course content and modules. It is recommended that students complete the quiz as soon as possible in order to unlock the course material. [Students will receive a zero for the syllabus quiz if it has not been completed prior to taking to Exam 1.](#)

**Mastery Quizzes** – At the end of each topic in their respective Canvas pages, a short quiz will be posted for students that can be used to assess their knowledge or mastery of that particular topic. Each quiz is 5 questions, and questions will either be true/false, multiple choice, matching or multiple answer. This is intended to be a low-stakes quiz to help the student gauge their level of the topic they learned. While these quizzes are not proctored, it is highly advised that students take these quizzes closed book/without any notes but the quiz is open book and students can use notes or resources if necessary. There will be mastery quizzes for each topic except for the Introduction to Physiology topic. Quizzes will be open for the duration of the module it is located in. Students can choose to take the quiz soon after they have covered the topic or wait to complete them to an exam. Quizzes may assess knowledge (i.e. content) and/or the student’s ability to apply the concepts learned on that topic. Quizzes from each module will close at the end of the 72-hour module exam window.

**Exams** – At the end of each module, students will take an exam based on the topics covered in the module. Students will have 2 hours to take each exam. Exams are not cumulative and only will test students on the chapters within each module. Question formats include fill in the blank, multiple choice, multiple response, true/false and short answer/free response. [Students will be allowed one blank sheet of paper \(both front and back\) that can contain handwritten notes \(cannot be typed\) that can be used as a reference tool on the exam, if desired.](#) [Students will also upload a scanned copy or picture of their ‘cheat sheet’ into Canvas for the instructor to review.](#) HonorLock will be utilized for exam proctoring. Students will also be allowed one sheet of blank paper that can be used as scratch paper. Exam questions are generated by the course instructor and will be primarily based on the lecture material. There will include extra credit questions related to the assigned journal articles from each topic integrated at the end of each exam. Each exam will need to be completed within a 72-hour window (please see specific dates in the course schedule below). Students who do not complete the exam within the given time frame (i.e. 72-hours) will receive a zero for the exam. [For Exams 1 and 2, the exams will be available from 12am EST Friday – 11:59pm EST Sunday on their designated weeks \(see course schedule below for specific dates\).](#) [Exam 3 will be open during the entirety of the last week of the Summer C semester, week 13, from 12am EST Saturday-11:59pm EST Friday \(see course schedule below for specific dates\).](#) [You must take each exam within the given time frame.](#)

**Build your own Athlete (BYOA) Project** – Students will be asked to choose a sport or activity at the beginning of the course for their particular athlete as part of this project. As certain physiological systems are presented in the course, students will be required to identify, describe, and justify the factors that would be most optimal for their chosen activity/sport/athlete. Leading questions will be provided for each week’s topic to assist students in their weekly write-up. [BYOA submissions are due by Sunday at 11:59pm EST of their scheduled week.](#) [Submissions will be uploaded in Canvas as PDF documents.](#)

**BYOA Reflection** – Students will generate a one-page, single-spaced word document evaluating the BYOA as an experience. What did you learn? What did you take away from this project? How did you feel about the submissions? How did this project make you feel? In hindsight, what would you have changed, if anything? This is your opportunity to give your genuine opinion(s). This reflection paper will be read but will not be graded on content. If you thought that this project was total garbage and a waste of your time, you are absolutely free

to write that, and no hard feelings or judgements will follow. Your grade for this portion of the project will simply come from the parameters outlined in the rubric.

**AI for Learning Assignments** – Students will choose a concept or process that they find difficult in each module to generate a question prompt to be used in a large language AI model (i.e. ChatGPT or CoPilot). Students will submit their original input prompt they used in ChatGPT or CoPilot, along with the AI output. Students will write a critical evaluation of the AI output based on accuracy, thoroughness, and context of the output. Students will also provide a short reflection/critical analysis describing whether the AI output was an accurate representation of their initial intended AI-prompt, whether the AI output was accurate (why or why not), how the student would change their input prompt into AI that would better reflect their desired explanation output of the difficult concept/topic and whether AI has helped them better understand the concept/topic. There will be 3 AI assignments, one for each module, and will be due prior to the module exam opening (i.e. Thursday at 11:59pm ET if the exam opens on Friday at 12am). This assignment is intended to help students identify “sticky” topics that they may have difficulty grasping and using an AI platform to assist them in learning the content and preparing them for exams. The AI assignments also introduces students to using AI and to critically evaluate the results from AI.

**Engagement** – Students will earn up to 50 points through various aspects of course engagement. Students are free to choose their own method(s) of engagement from the list below. Students are encouraged to propose alternate ideas to the course instructor and points can be negotiated for those ideas if accepted. Students may earn a maximum of 20 points during each module to ensure that students are actively engaged during the entire semester. Engagement points will be tallied and updated in the Canvas gradebook after each module.

- **“Hi...my name is...” (3 points)** – This discussion board will only be open during Module 1 as a way to introduce you to one another. You should include your name, your location (some students may be in different locations in the US/world), what you do outside of class (hobbies, job, etc.), what your hopes are for the class/semester, and/or something interesting about yourself.
- **Discussion posts (5 points)** – posting an interesting article about exercise physiology to the “Isn’t THAT cool!” discussion board along with a paragraph explaining how it relates to course content. No more than one article or post per chapter.
- **Practice Question posts (6 points)** - Post 3 clinically applied practice test questions to the “Practice Questions” discussion board. You can only get points for this if another student attempts to answer and you provide feedback AFTER they’ve answered. Your questions cannot be too similar to any other student’s questions. These must be multiple choice with at least four options. You may do this once per exam/module.
- **Answering discussion board questions (1-4 pts)** – students may answer questions posted by other students to the “Chapter Content Questions” discussion board. Responses should be explanatory in nature and not simply one-word responses. Listing appropriate page numbers from the textbook to help guide fellow classmates is recommended but may not always be necessary. Another suggestion would be to post a helpful image or website. Points will be at the discretion of the instructor and largely based on accuracy of the answer as well as helpfulness of the explanation.
- **Creative expression (1-10 pts)** – students may generate any kind of creative project related to physiology and exercise. Examples would be poems, songs, paintings, sculptures, baked goods, etc. I would love to see you have FUN with this stuff! Points will be assigned at the instructor’s discretion and

will largely be based on effort. For example, if you post a drawing that you traced or looks like only took you a few minutes...you may only get a point (maybe). If you post a 30-line poem about the respiratory system...that's worth a lot more.

## GRADING SCALE

All grades will be posted in the Canvas gradebook. Any discrepancies with points displayed in the gradebook should be pointed out to the instructor before the last day of class. There is no curve for this course and grades will not be rounded up under any circumstance. *Minus grades will not be assigned for this class.* See the UF undergraduate catalog web page for information regarding current UF grading policies: <https://gradcatalog.ufl.edu/graduate/regulations/>

The following table describes the grade scale and GPA impact of each letter grade.

| <u>Letter Grade</u> | <u>Percent of Total Points Associated with Each Letter Grade</u> | <u>GPA Impact of Each Letter Grade</u> |
|---------------------|--|--|
| A                   | 90.00-100%   | 4.0                                    |
| B+                  | 87.00-89.99%   | 3.33                                   |
| B                   | 80.00-86.99%   | 3.0                                    |
| C+                  | 77.00-79.99%   | 2.33                                   |
| C                   | 70.00-76.99%   | 2.0                                    |
| D+                  | 67.00-69.99%   | 1.33                                   |
| D                   | 60.00-66.99%   | 1.0                                    |
| E                   | <60.00%  | 0                                      |

## Weekly Course Schedule

### CRITICAL DATES & UF OBSERVED HOLIDAYS

- May 12: First Day of Summer C (Monday)
- May 26: Memorial Day (Monday)
- June 19: Juneteenth (Thursday)
- June 23-27: Summer Break (Monday-Friday)
- July 4: independence Day (Friday)
- August 8: Last Day of Summer C (Friday)
- Complete list available here: <https://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/dates-deadlines/2024-2025/>

### WEEKLY SCHEDULE

**All assessment (i.e., assignments, exams, quizzes, etc.) deadlines/dates are in EST (Eastern standard time).**

*This syllabus represents current plans and objectives. As we go through the semester, those plans may need to change to enhance the class learning opportunity.*

| Module # | Week | Date            | Topic  | Assignments  |
|----------|------|-----------------|--|--|
| 1        | 1    | May 12 – May 16 | <i>May 12/13– drop/add period</i><br>Instructor welcome video, review Canvas page and syllabus | Syllabus Quiz<br>Select Athlete/Sport for BYOA Project |

|   |  |                   |   |   |
|---|--|-------------------|---|---|
|   |  |                   | Intro to Physiology and Historical Perspectives<br>Homeostasis  |   |
|   | 2  | May 19 - May 23   | Bioenergetics   |   |
|   | 3  | May 26 – May 30   | May 26 – Memorial Day Holiday<br>Exercise Metabolism<br>Endocrine System and Exercise   |   |
|   | <b>Engagement – discussion boards for Module 1 will close on Sunday June 1<sup>st</sup> at 11:59pm EST<br/>Exam 1 – opens Fri. May 30<sup>th</sup> at 12am and closes on Sunday June 1<sup>st</sup> at 11:59pm EST</b> |                   |   |   |
| 2 | 4  | June 2 – June 6   | Nervous System and Movement   | BYOA – Energy Sources and Doping Hormones                     |
|   | 5  | June 9 – June 14  | 3Nervous System and Movement cont'd   |   |
|   | 6  | June 16 – June 20 | June 19 – Juneteenth Holiday<br>Skeletal Muscle   |   |
|   | 7  | June 23 – June 27 | Summer Break  | BYOA – Nervous System Function and Skeletal Muscle Properties |
|   | 8  | June 30 – July 4  | July 4 – Independence Day Holiday<br>Cardiovascular Responses to Exercise   |   |
|   | <b>Engagement – discussion boards for Module 2 will close on Sunday July 6<sup>th</sup> at 11:59pm EST<br/>Exam 2– opens Fri. July 4<sup>th</sup> at 12am and closes on Sunday July 6<sup>th</sup> at 11:59pm EST</b>  |                   |   |   |
| 3 | 9  | July 7 – July 11  | Respiratory<br>Acid-Base Balance  |   |
|   | 10   | July 14 – July 18 | Temperature Regulation  | BYOA – Cardiovascular Regulation                              |
|   | 11   | July 21 – July 25 | Adaptation, Injury and Repair   |   |
|   | 12   | July 28 – Aug 1   | Training Paradigms  |   |
|   | 13   | Aug 4 – Aug 8     | <i>No new content - finish remaining assignments and review for exam 3</i><br><b>BYOA Reflections due Wed. Aug. 6<sup>th</sup> at 11:59pm ET</b><br><b>Engagement – discussion boards for Module 3 will close on Fri. Aug. 8<sup>th</sup> at 11:59pm EST</b><br><b>Exam 3– opens Sat. Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup> at 12am and closes on Fri. Aug. 8<sup>th</sup> at 11:59pm EST</b> |   |

## SUCCESS AND STUDY TIPS

### Study tips for Dr. Nguyen's class:

- **Read the suggested pages from the text BEFORE you watch a lecture.** Do not take notes, underline, highlight, or attempt to memorize anything...JUST READ and enjoy!
- **Snowball the lecture notes.** Begin studying lecture material immediately after the first lecture. Then, after the second lecture, begin your studies with day one lecture material. Continue this all the way up to the exam.
- **Engage your classmates.** This material is meant to be discussed...and you can't do that well with just yourself. Post questions to the discussion board. Exchange contact information and have a virtual Zoom or phone conversation. Post cool videos you find regarding related material to the discussion boards. ENGAGE!
- **Re-write questions.** Taking complex questions and breaking them down to identify exactly what the question is REALLY asking for is very helpful. It is also helpful to look at incorrect answer choices and identify what makes those choices wrong. Ask yourself, "How could I make that statement correct?" A good place to look for these types of questions is at the end of each chapter – the critical thinking questions.

- **Google novel images.** For example, if there is a picture of a neuron in your notes, Google “neuron images” and see if you can identify the structures from the lecture and explain the function/physiological process that occurs in a particular area of the neuron.
- **Google diseases or drug mechanisms of action.** For example, if we are studying the endocrine system, Google “hormonal disease”. Click on any link and just read a paragraph to see if you can understand based on what you now know about hormones and the endocrine system. If you don’t understand it, that’s okay...did you recognize any words?
- If you have a study group or a study buddy, talk through the material out loud....**verbalizing** the information is VERY different than knowing it in your head – talk in the mirror or even to your pet goldfish if you don’t have a friend around

#### Success tips for Dr. Nguyen’s class:

- **Do not fall behind...**and you can easily get overwhelmed if you procrastinate. Do NOT procrastinate on watching the lecture videos! Avoid studying at the last minute.
- **Stay organized.** Keep track of all important due dates and move through each module in a uniform manner so that you are always aware of what you have done and what is left to be completed. **Use the suggested course schedule or make your own and stick to it!**
- **Check CANVAS announcements/emails daily...**just pretend it is TikTok/Instagram for school. Your course instructor will post important and helpful information (such as friendly reminders of upcoming due dates) as announcements.
- **Have a positive attitude!** Approaching the course with a defeatist attitude will hinder your learning and grade...crack a smile now and then. THIS STUFF IS COOL!

#### PERSONAL NOTE FROM DR. NGUYEN:

I recognize that this can be intense course. In combination with everything going on in your life, stress may creep in. If you are overwhelmed by the stresses of your semester and feel like you can’t handle the pressure, please contact me and/or someone at UF’s Counseling and Wellness center. I care for my students’ wellbeing. Please take care!

