











Exercise Prescription

COURSE LEVEL Undergraduate

YEAR 2021

COURSE INFORMATION

 AREA/CATALOGUE HLTH 3011	 COURSE ID O1366O	 TIMETABLE/S Second Semester (Study Period 5)
 COURSE LEVEL Undergraduate	 UNIT VALUE 4.5	 COURSE OWNER UniSA Allied Health & Human Performance
 OFFERED EXTERNALLY No	 UNIVERSITY-WIDE ELECTIVE COURSE No	

Course aim

To further develop students' knowledge and skills in prescribing and programming exercise for the broader community for future professional practice, including apparently healthy individuals of all ages.

Course content

Knowledge and application of widely used pre-exercise screening tools and procedures to help to determine risk status; Assess and analyse health-related fitness tests, including maximal and/or submaximal tests of aerobic fitness, and tests of muscular (strength, endurance and flexibility) fitness; Evaluate validity and reliability of commonly used fitness tests, as well as the criteria used to terminate such tests; Describe intensity, duration, frequency, and type of exercise for health-related benefits in apparently healthy and low-risk individuals; Discuss relationships between exercise heart rate, work rate and rating of perceived exertion; Develop evidence-based exercise programs (including implementation, monitoring and follow-up) for apparently healthy and low-risk individuals and groups (small and large) to enhance aerobic and muscular fitness; Describe and explain different components of, and appropriate exercises to be included in, an exercise program; Describe different stages of an exercise program; Discuss signs of excessive exercise strain, which may lead to a change in, or cessation of, exercise; Discuss current theories relating to aerobic and muscular fitness training; Apply visual analogue scales (e.g. rating of perceived exercise) and calculations of target heart rate and VO₂ (e.g. age-predicted maximal heart rate and VO₂, heart rate and VO₂ reserve, and target heart rate and VO₂ ranges) to gauge exercise intensity, as well as describe the limitations of such measures; Discuss appropriate work-rest intervals for circuit and interval training programs for aerobic and muscular fitness conditioning; Design and deliver an exercise prescription, at a professional standard, to a group of peers.



Textbook(s)

American College of Sports Medicine 2014, *ACSM's guidelines for exercise testing and prescription*, 9th, Lippincott, Williams and Wilkins, Baltimore MA

Prerequisite(s)

Subject Area & Catalogue Number	
Course Name	
Common to all relevant programs	HLTH 2027
Subject Area & Catalogue Number	Exercise Delivery

Corequisite(s)

Nil

Teaching method

INTERNAL, CITY EAST	
Component	Lecture
Duration	1 hour x 13 weeks
Component	Tutorial
Duration	1 hour x 12 weeks
Component	Practical
Duration	2 hours x 12 weeks

Note: These components may or may not be scheduled in every study period. Please refer to the timetable for further details.

Assessment

INTERNAL, CITY EAST	
Task	Quiz
Length	-
Weighting	10%
Duration	40 minutes
Task	Group presentation
Length	Ongoing
Weighting	25%
Duration	-
Task	Practical examination



Length	-
Weighting	30%
Duration	20 minutes
Task	Test
Length	-
Weighting	35%
Duration	2 hours

Fees

EFTSL*: 0.125

Commonwealth Supported program (Band 4A)

To determine the fee for this course as part of a Commonwealth Supported program, go to:

[How to determine your Commonwealth Supported course fee. \(Opens new window\)](#)

Fee-paying program for domestic and international students

International students and students undertaking this course as part of a postgraduate fee paying program must refer to the relevant program home page to determine the cost for undertaking this course.

Non-award enrolment

Non-award tuition fees are set by the university. To determine the cost of this course, go to:

[How to determine the relevant non award tuition fee. \(Opens new window\)](#)

Not all courses are available on all of the above bases, and students must check to ensure that they are permitted to enrol in a particular course.

** Equivalent Full Time Study Load. Please note: all EFTSL values are published and calculated at ten decimal places. Values are displayed to three decimal places for ease of interpretation.*

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