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Prerequisites:

I. Course Description: The purpose of the American Red Cross Responding to Emergencies course is to help participants recognize and respond appropriately to cardiac, breathing, and first aid emergencies. The course teaches skills that participants need to know to give immediate care to a suddenly injured or ill person until more advanced medical personnel arrive and take over.

In order to obtain your certification, you must successfully complete all lessons and pass the written final exam and skill scenarios according to American Red Cross standards.

II. Intended Learning Outcomes/Goals/Objectives (Program/Student Learning Outcomes):
The complete listing of the standards associated with the PLOs, SLOs, assignments, and assessments are located on the PCOE website.

- This course links with SFA Initiative #4: Develop a learner-centered environment.
- This course links with SFA’s COE Goal and Initiative #2: Prepare educators and industry professionals.
- This course links with SFA Initiative #5: Create new learning opportunities through additional interdisciplinary.
- International, service learning, and civic engagement experiences.
- This course links with SFA’s COE Goal and Initiative #6: Collaborate with external partners.

Program Learning Outcomes: Health Science Program Learning Objectives for Community Health and Heath Education EC-12

Community Health
1. The student will be able to plan and evaluate a community/classroom-based health lesson.
2. The student will construct professional document (resume and cover letter) to be used as a personal career-marketing tool for employment opportunities.
3. The student will demonstrate the knowledge and skills to search for and write a grant proposal to address a specific health issue.
4. The student will be able to communicate health information.
5. The student will design and implement a health behavior change plan that they will monitor for the semester.

EC-12 Health
6. The student will be able to plan and evaluate a classroom-based health lesson. (ISTEA 1, 2, 3, & 4; InTASC 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, & 8)
7. The student will be able to demonstrate health content knowledge. (ISTEA 1, 2, 3, & 4; InTASC 1, 2, 3, 4, & 5)
8. The student will demonstrate skills in instructional planning, curriculum development, instructional methodology, assessment, and classroom Management. (ISTEA 1, 2, 3, & 4; InTASC 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, & 8)

9. The student will be able to communicate health education concepts to audiences of varying ages. (ISTEA 1, 2, 3, & 4; InTASC 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, & 8)

10. The student will design and implement a health behavior change plan that they will monitor for the semester. (ISTEA 1; InTASC 4, 5, 6, & 9)

**Student Learning Outcomes:** Health Science Program Learning Objectives for Community Health and Heath Education EC- 12

1. The student will recognize when an emergency has occurred.
2. The student will be able to follow and demonstrate the emergency action steps.
3. The student will be able to provide care for injury or sudden illness until professional medical help arrives.
4. The student will be able to research and present a specific health topic to the class.

**III. Course Assignments, Activities, Instructional Strategies, use of Technology:**

This course will cover a variety of assignments and strategies to cover all of the information provided over the semester. Daily assignments include in class lecture, skills work and practice. There will be four major skills tests during the semester. One research project over a specific health assessment of your choosing will be researched and presented to the class. There will be one comprehensive skills assessment and written final exam which will determine not all passing for the semester but also American Red Cross passing to get certified. All material will be submitted electronically though D2L and email.

**IV. Evaluation and Assessments (Grading):**

4 Skills evaluations (100 points each): 400  
Safety Research article and presentation: 50  
Final Written Exam and Skills Evaluation: 150  
Total Points: 600

A= 600-530  
B= 529-460  
C= 459-390  
D= 339-220  
F= Below 219

Failure to attend any skills test days will result in a zero unless previously scheduled for another time. Failure to be on time or attend the final written exam and skills test scheduled will result in a zero as well as not being able to get certified. According to American Red Cross standards, each student must pass the written final exam and the final skills test with an 80 percent or higher to get certified.

**V. Tentative Course Outline/Calendar:**
### Week 1
- Dates: Aug. 27th, 29th
- Topic/Chapters: Syllabi, Introduction, Chapters 1-5

### Week 2
- Dates: Sept. 3rd, 5th
- Topic/Chapters: Chapters 6-7
- Due Dates/Exam: Skills Test: Before Giving Care Sept. 5th

### Week 3
- Dates: Sept. 10th, 12th
- Topic/Chapters: Chapters 8-9

### Week 4
- Dates: Sept. 17th, 19th
- Topic/Chapters: Chapters 8-9
- Due Dates/Exam: Skills Test: CPR/AED Sept. 19th

### Week 5
- Dates: Sept. 24th, 26th
- Topic/Chapters: Chapters 10-14
- Due Dates/Exam: Skills Test: Breathing Emerg. Sept. 26th

### Week 6
- Dates: Oct. 1st, 3rd
- Topic/Chapters: Chapters 10-14

### Week 7
- Dates: Oct. 8th, 10th
- Topic/Chapters: Chapters 15-19
- Due Dates/Exam: Skills Test: Oct. 10th First Aid

### Week 8
- Dates: Oct. 15th, 17th
- Topic/Chapters: Chapters 15-19

### Week 9
- Dates: Oct. 22nd, 24th
- Topic/Chapters: Chapters 20-23

### Week 10
- Dates: Oct. 29th, 31st
- Topic/Chapters: In Class Safety Letter work

### Week 11
- Dates: Nov. 5th, 7th
- Topic/Chapters: Presentations
- Due Dates/Exam: Safety News Letter Due Nov. 5th

### Week 12
- Dates: Nov. 12th, 14th
- Topic/Chapters: Presentations

### Week 13
- Dates: Nov. 19th-24th
- Topic/Chapters: Thanksgiving Break

### Week 14
- Dates: Nov. 26th, 28th
- Topic/Chapters: In class Reviews

### Week 15
- Dates: Dec. 3rd, 5th
- Topic/Chapters: FINAL SKILLS TESTING

### Week 16
- Dates: Dec. 10th, 12th
- Topic/Chapters: FINAL EXAM

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**VI. Readings (Required and recommended—including texts, websites, articles, etc.):**

2012, American Red Cross, Responding to Emergencies; Comprehensive First Aid/CPR/AED book has been posted to D2L and a digital copy has been sent to your email. You are required to have some form of the copy with you.
FEM Statement:
In this course you must purchase and activate the LiveText add-on, Field Experience Module (FEM), PRIOR to your first day of field experience/clinical teaching. Failure to purchase and activate the account and/or submit the required assignment(s) within the FEM system may result in course failure. FEM must be purchased from www.livetext.com for a fee of $18.00 for a multiple year subscription.

LiveText Statement:
This course uses the LiveText data management system to collect critical assessments for students who are Perkins College of Education majors (undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral) or majors in other colleges seeking educator certification through the Perkins College of Education. Students who do not have an existing LiveText account will receive an access code via the SFA email system within the first week of class. You will be required to register your LiveText account, and you will be notified how to do this via email. If you forward your SFA e-mail to another account and do not receive an e-mail concerning LiveText registration, please be sure to check your junk mail folder and your spam filter for these e-mails.

If you have questions about obtaining or registering your LiveText account, call ext. 1267 or e-mail SFALiveText@sfasu.edu. Once LiveText is activated, if you have technical questions, call ext. 7050 or e-mail livetext@sfasu.edu. Failure to activate the account and/or submit the required assignment(s) within the LiveText system may result in course failure.

VII. Course Evaluations:

Near the conclusion of each semester, students in the Perkins College of Education electronically evaluate courses taken within the PCOE. Evaluation data is used for a variety of important purposes including:
1. Course and program improvement, planning, and accreditation;
2. Instruction evaluation purposes; and
3. Making decisions on faculty tenure, promotion, pay, and retention.

As you evaluate this course, please be thoughtful, thorough, and accurate in completing the evaluation. Please know that the PCOE faculty is committed to excellence in teaching and continued improvement. Therefore, your response is critical!

In the Perkins College of Education, the course evaluation process has been simplified and is completed electronically through MySFA. Although the instructor will be able to view the names of students who complete the survey, all ratings and comments are confidential and anonymous, and will not be available to the instructor until after final grades are posted.

VIII. Student Ethics and Other Policy Information: Found at http://www.sfasu.edu/policies/

Class Attendance and Excused Absence: Policy 6.7
Regular, punctual attendance, documented participation, and, if indicated in the syllabus, submission of completed assignments are expected at all classes, laboratories, and other activities for which the student is registered. Based on university policy, failure of students to adhere to these requirements shall influence the course grade, financial assistance, and/or enrollment status. The instructor shall maintain an accurate record of each student’s attendance and participation as well as note this information in required reports (including the first 12 day attendance report) and in determining final grades. Students may be excused from attendance for...
reasons such as health, family emergencies, or student participation in approved university-sponsored events. However, students are responsible for notifying their instructors in advance, when possible, for excusable absences. Whether absences are excused or unexcused, a student is still responsible for all course content and assignments. Students with accepted excuses may be permitted to make up work for up to three weeks of absences during a semester or one week of a summer term, depending on the nature of the missed work. Make-up work must be completed as soon as possible after returning from an absence.

**Academic Accommodation for Students with Disabilities: Policy 6.1 and 6.6**

To obtain disability related accommodations, alternate formats and/or auxiliary aids, students with disabilities must contact the Office of Disability Services (ODS), Human Services Building, and Room 325, 936-468-3004 as early as possible in the semester. Once verified, ODS will notify the course instructor and outline the accommodation and/or auxiliary aids to be provided. Failure to request services in a timely manner may delay your accommodations. For additional information, go to http://www.sfasu.edu/disabilityservices/

**Student Academic Dishonesty: Policy 4.1**

Abiding by university policy on academic integrity is a responsibility of all university faculty and students. Faculty members must promote the components of academic integrity in their instruction, and course syllabi are required to provide information about penalties for cheating and plagiarism, as well as the appeal process.

**Definition of Academic Dishonesty**

Academic dishonesty includes both cheating and plagiarism. Cheating includes, but is not limited to:
- using or attempting to use unauthorized materials on any class assignment or exam;
- falsifying or inventing of any information, including citations, on an assignment;
- helping or attempting to help another in an act of cheating or plagiarism.

Plagiarism is presenting the words or ideas of another person as if they were one’s own. Examples of plagiarism include, but are not limited to:
- submitting an assignment as one’s own work when it is at least partly the work of another person;
- submitting a work that has been purchased or otherwise obtained from the Internet or another source;
- incorporating the words or ideas of an author into one’s paper or presentation without giving the author credit.

**Penalties for Academic Dishonesty**

Penalties may include, but are not limited to, reprimand, no credit for the assignment or exam, re-submission of the work, make-up exam, failure of the course, or expulsion from the university.

**Student Appeals**

A student who wishes to appeal decisions related to academic dishonesty should follow procedures outlined in Academic Appeals by Students (6.3).

**Withheld Grades: Policy 5.5**

At the discretion of the instructor of record and with the approval of the academic unit head, a grade of WH will be assigned only if the student cannot complete the course work because of unavoidable circumstances. Students must complete the work within one calendar year from the end of the semester in which they receive a WH, or the grade automatically becomes an F, except as allowed through policy [i.e., Active Military Service (6.14)]. If students register for the
same course in future semesters, the WH will automatically become an F and will be counted as a repeated course for the purpose of computing the grade point average.

**Student Code of Conduct: Policy 10.4**

Classroom behavior should not interfere with the instructor’s ability to conduct the class or the ability of other students to learn from the instructional program. Unacceptable or disruptive behavior will not be tolerated. Students who disrupt the learning environment may be asked to leave class and may be subject to judicial, academic or other penalties. This policy applies to all instructional forums, including electronic, classroom, labs, discussion groups, field trips, etc. The instructor shall have full discretion over what behavior is appropriate/inappropriate in the classroom. Students who do not attend class regularly or who perform poorly on class projects/exams may be referred to the iCare: Early Alert Program at SFA. Information regarding the iCare program is found at http://www.sfasu.edu/judicial/earlyalert.asp or call the office at 936-468-2703.

**Additional Information:**

**Code of Ethics for the Texas Educator:**

The Texas educator shall comply with standard practices and ethical conduct toward students, professional colleagues, school officials, parents, and members of the community and shall safeguard academic freedom. The Texas educator, in maintaining the dignity of the profession, shall respect and obey the law, demonstrate personal integrity, and exemplify honesty and good moral character. The Texas educator, in exemplifying ethical relations with colleagues, shall extend just and equitable treatment to all members of the profession. The Texas educator, in accepting a position of public trust, shall measure success by the progress of each student toward realization of his or her potential as an effective citizen. The Texas educator, in fulfilling responsibilities in the community, shall cooperate with parents and others to improve the public schools of the community. This chapter shall apply to educators and candidates for certification.


**To complete Certification/Licensing Requirements in Texas related to public education and other professional settings, you will be required to:**

1. Candidates must undergo a criminal history background check prior to clinical teaching and prior to employment as an educator. The public school campuses are responsible for completing the criminal background check. A person who is enrolled or planning to enroll in a State Board for Educator Certification-approved educator preparation program or planning to take a certification examination may request a preliminary criminal history evaluation letter regarding the person’s potential ineligibility for certification due to a conviction or deferred adjudication for a felony or misdemeanor offense.
A Preliminary Criminal History Evaluation is a non-mandatory, non-binding evaluation of an individual’s self-reported criminal history. In addition, the agency obtains your name-based Texas criminal history information. The service is provided to the requestor for a **non-refundable fee**. The requestor will receive an evaluation letter by email from agency staff advising of potential ineligibility for educator certification.

You are eligible to request a Preliminary Criminal History Evaluation if:

- You enrolled or planning to enroll in an educator preparation program or
- You are planning to take a certification exam for initial educator certification, and
- You have reason to believe that you may be ineligible for educator certification due to a conviction or deferred adjudication for a felony or misdemeanor offense.

You are not eligible for a preliminary evaluation of your criminal history if you do not have a conviction or deferred adjudication for a felony or misdemeanor offense.

In addition, you must complete the fingerprinting process when you apply for certification. Participation in the evaluation does not preclude you from submitting to a national criminal history review at the time you apply for your educator certification. Your criminal history will be reviewed and you may be subject to an investigation based on that criminal history, including any information you failed to submit for evaluation.

Additional information can be found at [https://tea.texas.gov/Texas_Educators/Investigations/Preliminary_Criminal_History_Evaluation-FAQs/](https://tea.texas.gov/Texas_Educators/Investigations/Preliminary_Criminal_History_Evaluation-FAQs/).

2. Provide one of the following primary ID documents: passport, driver’s license, state or providence ID cards, a national ID card, or military ID card to take the TExES exams (additional information available at [www.texas.ets.org/registrationBulletin/](http://www.texas.ets.org/registrationBulletin/)). **YOU** must provide legal documentation to be allowed to take these mandated examinations that are related to certification/licensing requirements in Texas. If you do not have legal documentation, you may want to reconsider your major while at SFASU.

3. Successfully complete state mandated a fingerprint background check. If you have a history of criminal activity, you may want to reconsider your major while at SFASU.

   **For further information concerning this matter, contact Katie Snyder Martin at 936-468-1740 or snyderke1@sfasu.edu.**

**IX. Other Relevant Course Information:**

**Class Attendance Policy and Expectations:**

Skills Tests and Written Exam days:
- Failure to attend any skills test days will result in a zero unless previously scheduled for another time.
• Failure to be on time or attend the final written exam and skills test scheduled will result in a zero as well as not being able to get certified.
• According to American Red Cross standards, each student must pass the written final exam and the final skills test with an 80 percent or higher to get certified.

Class Attendance Policy:
• More than 3 unexcused absences result in a drop in a letter grade for the student’s overall grade.