Instructor: Patty Berthot  
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Course Time & Location: T/R 11-12:15 HPE Racquetball Courts  
Office Hours: 9:00-11 M/W 9:00-9:30 T/R, or by appointment  
Credits: 1 hr.  
Email: berthotpa@sfasu.edu  
Prerequisites: None  
Attire:  
Court shoes and appropriate workout clothes. No running shoes with black marking soles are allowed. Must be dressed out to participate. Attendance alone does not constitute participation. No jeans, skirts, dresses, street shoes or sandals during activity. Eye guards are mandatory!  
I. Course Description:  
Racquetball is a one credit hour course offered by the Department of Kinesiology and Health Science. The student will learn official racquetball rules and engage in strategies of the game. The student will also have the opportunity to improve their individual fitness through participation in racquetball activities.  
II. Course Justification: KINE. 2162 is a physical activity-based class that meets for 150 minutes each week for 8 weeks. Outside class assignments consist of reading assignments, studying for exams and practicing physical skills to achieve proficiency. The outside class assignments would require at least 2 hours of outside work each week.  
III. Intended Learning Outcomes/Goals/Objectives (Program/Student Learning Outcomes):  
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’s 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 #4: Teaching and student success.  
This course links with SFA’s COE Goal and Initiative #6: Collaborate with external partners.  
IV. Course Assignments, Activities, Instructional Strategies, use of Technology:  
Activities will include skill measurement/testing, Tournament play/Instructor evaluation, and a written examination/assessment.
V. Evaluation and Assessments (Grading):

- 90-100=A  
  Exams..................30%
- 80-89=B  
  Skill Testing..........35%
- 70-79=C  
  Tournament play......35%
- 60-69=D  
  Total ..................100%
- Below 60=F  

VI. Tentative Course Outline/Calendar:

- Week 1 - Orientation
- Week 2 - fh/bh grip, defective serves
- Week 3 - Skills: back wall, ceiling shots, serves, Written Exam
- Week 4 - Introduction of game strategies, seeding for tourney play
- Week 5 - Begin tourney
- Week 6 - Tourney
- Week 7 - Skills tests
- Week 8 - Complete tourney

*Schedule is subject to instructor modification!

VII. Readings: None

VIII. 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.

IX. Student Ethics and Other Policy Information: Found at https://www.sfasu.edu/policies

Attendance: Policy 6.7
Students are expected to attend and participate in every scheduled class meeting. Students are expected to arrive on time and be dressed appropriately for activity. Inappropriate attire will be counted as an unexcused absence.
**Unexcused absences:** The student may incur **one unexcused absence** for the semester. Subsequent unexcused absences will result in a deduction of 3 points from the student’s final grade. The instructor is under no obligation to provide an opportunity to make up tests, assignments or other missed work. One point will be deducted from the final grade for each **tardy** up to 10 minutes. After 10 minutes, the student is considered absent.

**Students with Disabilities:**
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, 468-3004/468-1004 (TDD) 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/.

**Academic Integrity:**
It is the policy of Stephen F. Austin State University 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 the University regulations and procedures. Discipline may include suspension or expulsion from the University. (See Academic Integrity A-9.1)

Academic integrity is a responsibility of all university faculty and students. Faculty members promote academic integrity in multiple ways including instruction on the components of academic honesty, as well as abiding by university policy on penalties for cheating and plagiarism.

**Definition of Academic Dishonesty**
Academic dishonesty includes both cheating and plagiarism. Cheating includes but is not limited to (1) using or attempting to use unauthorized materials to aid in achieving a better grade on a component of a class; (2) the falsification or invention of any information, including citations, on an assigned exercise; and/or (3) 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 your own. Examples of plagiarism are (1) submitting an assignment as if it were one’s own work that has been purchased or otherwise obtained from an Internet source or another source; and (2) incorporating the words or ideas of an author into one’s paper without giving the author due credit.

Please read the complete policy at [http://www.sfasu.edu/policies/academic_integrity.asp](http://www.sfasu.edu/policies/academic_integrity.asp)

**Withheld Grades: Policy 5.5**
Ordinarily, at the discretion of the instructor of record and with the approval of the academic chair/director, 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. If students register for the same course in future terms 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 https://www.sfasu.edu/judicial/earlyalert.asp or call the office at 936-468-2703.

**Masks (cloth face coverings):**

Must be worn over the nose and mouth at all times in this class and appropriate physical distancing must be observed. Students not wearing a mask and/or not observing appropriate physical distancing will be asked to leave the class. All incidents of not wearing a mask and/or not observing appropriate physical distancing will be reported to the Office of Student Rights and Responsibilities. Students who are reported for multiple infractions of not wearing a mask and/or not observing appropriate physical distancing may be subject to disciplinary actions.


**X. Other Relevant Course Information:**

**Cell Phones:**

Casual cell phone use is NOT permitted during class. The only exception will be for a medical emergency.

**Insurance:**

Physical activity is are required part of this course. Participation in physical activity comes with inherent risks of physical injury. Students participate at their own risk in physical activities. It is recommended that students have personal health and accident insurance since they are responsible for their own healthcare costs. It is the student’s responsibility to provide the instructor with prior medical history regarding injuries, surgeries, medications, or other special considerations which may affect participation in class. Students may be asked to secure a physician's statement clearing them to participate in this class if a pre-existing condition exists or an injury occurs.