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COURSE DESCRIPTION

This is a three-credit course that is the final obligatory fulfillment for the Coaching Certificate. The intent of the practicum is to provide each student with experiential learning in the field that allows each the opportunity to apply learned content from the classroom to an actual coaching experience. Each student is required to log a minimum of *50 supervised hours in the field*, whether in practices, competition, or in the office with a supervisor. At the conclusion of their experience, students will be expected to submit a binder that includes a) their supervising coach's written evaluation, and b) a 6-8 page final paper that articulates their present competencies as they relate to [SHAPE America's National Standards for Coaches](#).

It is required for students to take the NFHS course – is \$35.00 for Wisconsin (or take it for the designated state). Here is the link.
<http://nfhslearn.com/courses/26/first-aid-health-and-safety-for-coaches>.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Upon the termination of COA 398, each student will...

1. Have obtained a quality professional field experience in coaching that allows them to apply content knowledge and integrate the science and art of teaching and communicating with athletes
2. Possess a professional statement of philosophy and core ethical standards that can be articulated both via composition as well as verbally in an interview setting.
3. Acquire a well-rounded, holistic, research-to-practice perspective related to their teaching and interpersonal communication and feedback provided in the athletic setting.
4. Understand their primary legal duties as they pertain to coaching youth sport and will be able to effectively assess and manage risk and maintain a safe, healthy environment for their athletes.
5. Effectively assess and evaluate their methods of developing technical and tactical skill as well as the skills and abilities of each athlete. Critical self-evaluation of one's coaching methods will also apply.

6. Understand maturation differences as they apply to both male and female athletes, particularly related to their physical, mental, social, and emotional development through sport experiences.
7. Be competent and versed in planning, organizing, and administering athletic practice plans, developmental programs, and in managing an athletic program both financially and logistically.

CLASS ATTENDANCE, PARTICIPATION, AND PROCEDURES

Class attendance is essential for successful completion of this course. Attendance will be taken at every class period and you are expected to be on time. If you know you are going to be absent for an excusable reason (illness, family issue, conference/workshop), you must contact me ahead of time. Absences will not be excused if notification is not received or if it is received less than two hours prior to class time. *Unexcused absences result in a 1% drop in your grade. Tardiness to class or a lack of courtesy shown while in class (such as sleeping and cell phone usage) will result in a .5% drop in your grade.*

Class sessions may involve any combination of the following: lectures, videos, and group discussions/activities. **Bring assigned readings and your textbook to class.** Some class activities will be practical in nature and require physical participation. You are encouraged to dress appropriately for these activities. I will let you know ahead of time if we will be doing any physical participation.

EXAMS

This class will have two exams. The final exam is cumulative. The instructor also reserves the right to give periodic pop quizzes.

Exam #1	See D2L
Reflective Analyses	See D2L

FINAL PROJECT

- The Energy Bus Action Plan
- Reflection--Technology in Coaching
- Practice Plan
- Resume

EVALUATION CRITERIA

50 hours/Supervisor Evaluation/Video Interview	40%
Reflective Analyses /Final Exam	20%
Final Project/Technology/Resume	20%
Exams/Homework/Participation/Attendance	15%
Book Review	5%

COACHING 398
Mondays 9-10:30am

A-	92-90
B+	90-89
B	89-82
B-	82-80
C+	80-79
C	79-72
C-	72-70
D+	70-69
D	69-60
F	60 and below

HEALTH INSURANCE RECOMMENDATION

Participation in this course may lead to accidents. All students are strongly encouraged to have health insurance coverage.

ACADEMIC HONESTY

Plagiarism is cheating and is defined as “to steal and pass off as one’s own; to present as one’s own as an idea or product derived from an existing source” (Websters 7th New Collegiate Dictionary, p. 646). Use your own words to compose your assignments and cite your sources properly. Failure to do so will result in academic penalty (failing the course) and possible academic suspension.

CLASS CLIMATE & HONORING DIFFERENCE

The School of Education strives to honor the uniqueness of all learners. I'm dedicated to creating safe, inclusive, welcoming experiences in which all students can succeed. I mindfully plan and teach this course in ways that promote pluralism: celebrating the coexistence of multiple identities, cultures, and belief systems.

This course is a Safe Zone for LGBTQ issues and more. I won't condone disrespectful or discriminatory language or behavior. I extend an open door invitation to all my students. If you feel unwelcome or unsafe in this course, or you have any concerns about your ability to succeed, please let me know. We can address the issue together, confidentially.

As a teacher, I align my policies and choices with my university's guidance, including the [UWSP Community Bill of Rights and Responsibilities](#) .

LATE WORK POLICY

I expect you to complete all assignments on time. An assignment completed on time can receive 100% of the points possible. An assignment completed no more than 48 hours late can receive no more than 80% of the points possible. An assignment completed no more than 1 week late can receive no more than 60% of the points possible. After 1 week, I usually refuse to accept a late assignment.

I won't accept late work after **Friday, Apr 27th, 2018, 11:59 pm**.

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**SYLLABUS IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE AS CIRCUMSTANCES
WARRANT.**