Family and Consumer Sciences Department
Scientific Foundations of Nutrition: NFS: 1020

CRN: 46638, 41976
Meeting Days and Time: MWF 8-8:50 am, 9-9:50 am
Semester/Year: Fall 2014
Credit Hours: 3.0 credit hours
Location: NIB #133
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Prerequisites: None

Course Description from Catalog
The study of basic human nutrition as related to individual dietary requirements, and an overview of various trends and controversies concerning diet, fitness and health.

General Education Status
The course qualifies as a Life Science GE class.

Required Textbook
Also Required - You cannot complete the course without this!
McGraw-Hill Connect and NutritionCalc Plus. Available at the Bookstore or online
This is the textbook online component. You can purchase this with the ebook or a printed book.
Learning Outcomes

Life Science GE Learning Outcomes

Students successfully completing this course will be able to:

- Explain the major concepts of a view of life, the cell and the genetic basis of life.
- Demonstrate knowledge of the process of science including asking testable questions, using inductive and deductive reasoning in forming hypotheses and in making reliable predictions.
- Define the objective of science and research including distinguishing among the natural sciences, liberal arts and social and behavioral sciences, and pseudo-science.
- Compute ratios, proportions, percentages, decimals, fractions, frequencies and elementary probabilities.
- Describe scientific ideas through oral and written assignments, critiques, questions and/or discussion.
- Critique the content of scientific articles regarding nutrition-related studies.
- Explain experimental designs using the scientific theory.
- Demonstrate basic knowledge and concepts in nutrition and apply the relevance of the materials to their everyday lives by giving ample analogies and examples in order to enlighten and motivate them.
- Identify essential nutrients, their functions and how they relate to the anatomy, physiology, and chemistry of the human body.
- Complete a dietary analysis on their own eating habits and analyze it for nutrient content and adequacy based on concepts taught during the course.

Family and Consumer Sciences Department Learning Outcomes

1. Define currently accepted theory within the discipline.
2. Evaluate theory using applications and exercises to personalize the depth of knowledge and understanding.
3. Demonstrate professional practices specific to the discipline by completing assignments, such as:
   a. Dietary Analysis with assessment and evaluation
4. Analyze course concepts against previously held schema prior to experience in the course
5. Show, in writing, the ability to think critically by:
   a. Gathering information
   b. Comparing and contrasting sources and quality of information
   c. Evaluating information for reliability and validity
   d. Creating resolutions/proposals to solve questions or problems within the discipline
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6. Analyze current diet and nutritional trends and the effects these have toward good health.
7. Identify the special nutritional concerns of the changing needs throughout the human life span, eating disorders, weight control, disease prevention, physical activity, food safety and technology.

Course Assignments and Assessments

The assignments in this course are in 4 groups:

LearnSmart Modules:

LearnSmart is part of Connect (our online textbook program) and is an adaptive diagnostic tool. They are designed to help you learn the material in each chapter.

LearnSmart has a module that correlates with each chapter. The majority of the class assignments are LearnSmart modules. Not every chapter is assigned for credit however, students can complete each chapter for their own benefit. Chapters 1,2,3,7,9,11,14,16,17,18 are given 10 points each upon completion. These are due as listed in your assignments section in Canvas and also in Connect.

LearnSmart modules are due on 11:59 pm on the date listed on your class outline. These will not be accepted late. Plan ahead to get them completed in time.

Diet Analysis

There are 2 diet analysis assignments and both use the NutritionCalc Plus program that is part of the Connect package. The first is due at the beginning of the semester and the second is toward the end of the semester. Both include 3 days of recording all food intake and activity.
Spelling and grammar are graded on Dietary Analysis 2 and **will not be accepted more than a week late. Twenty percent** of the grade will be deducted for the first day late and ten percent each following day.

**Dietary Analysis 1 and Dietary Analysis 2 must be submitted through the Assignment page in Canvas.**

**Technology failure (i.e. computer crashes, internet or email failures, viruses, corrupt files, etc.) will not be an acceptable excuse for late or missing work.** It is your responsibility to make sure you can open any files prior to sending them to the instructor. Lateness will be determined by the date the correct file is sent.

**In Class Assignments**

These are small group activities, quizzes or worksheets that the instructor gives in class. They are worth 5 points each and one will be dropped. These cannot be made up if you are absent or not in class when the activity is completed. **They are only excused for students on school sponsored activities.**

**Tests**

At the end of each chapter (1-18), each student must complete a two part test. The two parts include a multiple choice Online Quiz and a Response Essay.

The Quiz can be found by logging in to Connect and locating the corresponding chapter quiz. Each Quiz is 15 questions, multiple choice and worth 15 points. Students are encouraged to use their textbooks and notes to find answers, but the time on each quiz is limited to 45 minutes. Further, each Quiz will randomly select questions from a pool of more than 50 questions created by the professor—no two students will be given the same questions. Results (what grade you receive and which questions were marked correctly), will not be posted until after the quiz is closed.

While each student may conceivably take each Quiz on the first day of the semester, students are encouraged to take the Quiz only after the in-class lecture is completed and the LearnSmart assignment is completed too (if assigned for that chapter). The due dates for each Quiz are listed on the reverse side of this sheet, and on Connect.

The second section of the Test is the Response Essay. To complete the Response Essay log on to Canvas and find the link **Response Essay Files** on the bottom of the front page. On this page are 40+ articles on a variety of nutrition related topics in PDF format. Each essay is 1-3 pages, and written in conversational
form (easy reading). Choose any article, read the article, and write a 1 page (double spaced, standard college formatting) response. This response is simply trying to answer the following questions:

- What interested you about this article?
- What did you learn from this article?
- What have you heard outside of this class that contradicts this article?
- Will this article change your behavior in any way?
- Do you agree or disagree with the position taken by the article? Why?

Once the Response Essay is complete, it must be submitted through Canvas under the Assignments page (Do NOT email them to the instructor). Students must choose a different article each chapter, and submit their own work.

Additional chapters will be covered near the end of the semester for which no Quiz or Response Essay is required. These chapters will be covered on the Final Exam.

**Attendance**

Be in CLASS!!! Attendance is not graded, but daily activities such as in class assignments and quizzes are graded and cannot be made up! College sponsored absences are the only exception.

Disruptive behavior in class may lead to an administrative withdrawal. Disruptive behavior is defined as any behavior that interferes with the teacher’s ability to teach or the learning of other students.

You will be notified of your withdrawal in this way:

1. A verbal request to comply with behavioral expectations of the class
2. One written ‘warning’ letting you know that you have not made the required behavioral adjustment.
3. Administrative withdrawal.

**Academic Integrity**

Failure to comply with academic integrity, honesty, and behavior standards may result in course failure or administrative withdrawal from the class. DON’T CHEAT!

**Grades**

Grades will be based on the following:

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Essays 5 pts each 90
Dietary Analysis Part 1 25
Dietary Analysis Part 2 50
In Class Assignments/quizzes up to 75
Final Exam 100

Grades will be posted on Canvas. However, you are responsible for keeping track of your own grade and making sure that it is correct and contacting the instructor if there is a problem.

**Extra Credit**
Keep up with your reading and do your assignments as outlined and you will not need extra credit. One extra credit assignment for 10-15 points will be given during the semester. No other extra credit will be allowed.

**Course Outline**
A paper copy was handed out the first day of class. It is also located on the Class Outline page from the Home page of the course on Canvas.

**Departmental Grading Scale**

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Information on semester dates, final exam dates, available resources, college policies and Dmail is listed below. For this and other information, click the following link:

http://www.dixie.edu/reg/syllabus/

Final Exam Schedule
Important Semester Dates to remember

Aug 25  Classwork Starts
Aug 28  Last Day for Waitlist
Aug 29  Last Day to Add Without Signature
Sep 1   Labor Day
Sep 4   Drop/Audit Fee Begins ($10 per class)
Sep 4   Residency Application Deadline
Sep 9   $50 Late Registration/Payment Fee
Sep 15  Pell Grant Census
Sep 15  Last Day for Refund
Sep 15  Last Day to drop without receiving a "W" grade
Sep 17  Courses dropped for non-payment
Sep 19  Last Day to Add/Audit
Oct 1   Fall 2014 Associate's degree Graduation Application Deadline
Oct 15  Mid-Term Grades Due
Oct 16-17 Semester Break
Oct 20  Last Day to Drop Individual Class
Oct 27  Spring and Summer 2015 class schedules available online
**Important Links**

As a student at Dixie State University, you have access to several helpful resources:

- [Library](#)
- Computer Lab (located at the [Smith Computer Center](#) and the [Library](#))
- [Disability Resource Center](#) - Provides services and accommodations to students with disabilities.
- [IT Student Help Desk](#) - We provide support for the following: Blackboard Vista, Dmail, wireless, software resources for students, and student laptop lease program.
- [Online Writing Lab](#) - Many writing classes utilize this site. Among other things, students can use the Online Writing Lab to submit papers electronically to the Writing Center.
- [Testing Center](#)
- [Tutoring Center](#) - Free and open to all students. Improve your study skills and clarify concepts and class material.
- [Writing Center](#) - "Our mission is to help you become a better writer by approaching your assignments as a process of invention, writing, and revision."

See our [Campus Map](#) for the location of these and other resources.

**Policies and Statements**

- Disability Statement:

  If you suspect or are aware that you have a disability that may affect your success in the course you are strongly encouraged to contact the Disability Resource Center (DRC) located at the North Plaza Building. The disability will be evaluated and eligible students will receive assistance in obtaining reasonable accommodations. Phone # 435-652-7516.

- [Academic dishonesty / Academic integrity policy](#)
- Reference to "[Policy for Absences Related to College Functions](#)"
- [Disruptive behavior policy](#) / classroom expectations
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