
COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

Department of Human Movement Sciences

Sport and Recreation Office

Fall 2010

Course Number, Title, and Credit Hours: Spt & Rec 126, Skin & Scuba, 1 credit

Special Course fee: \$225.00 (includes equipment rental and books)

Location: Aquatic Adventures, Inc.
13830 West Greenfield Ave.
Brookfield, WI & Klotsche Center Pool
Phone: (262) 938-6827
www.dive~aai.com

Section Number and Day/Time:

Lec 101, T 6:30pm-9:30pm (09/07/10-10/23/10)
Lec 102, T 6:30pm-9:30pm (10/25/10-12/14/10)
Lec 103, W 6:30pm-9:30pm (09/07/10-10/23/10)

Instructor: Jerry Otte

Email and/or Phone Number: jotte@dive-aai.com / (414) 573-4461

Additional Contact: If you are unable to reach the instructor, contact the Sport & Rec Office at 414-227-3123 or email chs-outreach@uwm.edu.

Description of course objectives: This course introduces the student to scuba through academic, confined water, and open water training. During these training sessions, students will learn how to assemble, operate, and break down scuba systems. Students will also learn basic scuba skills such as mask and regulator clearing, emergency air management, and dive planning.

Pre-requisite(s): Students must be able to swim 200 yd. swim and tread water for 10 minutes.

Required and Recommended Readings: PADI Open Water Diver manual and PADI Log Book is included in course fee and will be supplied at your first class.

Required and Recommended Equipment/Material(s): Mask, fins, snorkel, boots recommended but not required. A special discount is provided to UWM students who purchase prior to the first pool dive.

Special out-of-class assignments: Students who wish to earn the PADI Open Water Diver certification must participate in four open water dives that are conducted over two

days. PADI certification and the open water dives are not part of the UWM program and are not factored into the student's grade. Additional fees apply.

Tips for successful participation in class: Students should make sure to attend every class and pool session. For your safety, PADI standards do not permit classroom sessions or pool dives to be taken out of order. Therefore, you will not be permitted to attend any class following an absence, regardless of the reason, without making up the material that was missed.

Grading Policies: Grades are based upon successful completion of all pool dives and scores on 4 quizzes and a final exam.

Quizzes and Exams (total of 90 possible points):

4 Quizzes - 10 points each

1 Exam - 50 points

Pool Dives (total of 50 possible points)

5 Dives - 10 points each

Total points divided by 140 for final grade

Grading Scale:

A	95.00 – 100.00
A-	94.99 – 93.00
B+	92.99 – 90.00
B	89.99 – 87.00
B-	86.99 – 85.00
C+	84.99 – 82.00
C	81.99 – 79.00
C-	78.99 – 77.00
D+	76.99 – 74.00
D	73.99 – 71.00
D-	70.00
F	Less than 70.00

Schedule:

Schedules for all UWM courses taught through Aquatic Adventures can be found at http://www.dive-aai.com/uwm_schedule.htm. Schedules may change due to time constraints, weather, or availability of dive sites and facilities. All changes will be posted on this web page.

Assignment Policies:

MISSED CLASS POLICY: Because dive industry standards prohibit students from attempting complex skills without having first mastered the more elementary skills on which they are based, students may not be allowed to rejoin their class if they miss a classroom, confined water, or open water dive. A \$25 per hour private instruction fee is charged to make up missed classes if the training cannot be completed with another class. If the instructor or student cannot coordinate their scheduled to make up missed classes, the student will be asked to withdraw from the course.

UWM RENTAL POLICY: Students will be issued equipment for confined water and open water dives. That equipment may be used only by that student and only for purposes of scuba training in this course. Use for any other purpose is strictly prohibited. Any student found in violation of this policy will be expelled from class and all course fees will be forfeited.

During the time of rental, students are responsible for the proper care of the rented gear as outlined in the *PADI Open Water Diver* manual. Students will be charged for any damage to equipment that is the result of negligence, including exposure to heat or cold. Students will also be charged for the return of equipment that has not been properly rinsed following open water training.

All rental equipment is due back to Aquatic Adventures, Inc. by 7:00 p.m. on the next business day following the final day of confined water training or by 2:00 p.m. on the final day of open water training. Students who pick up equipment and then fail to show up for a confined water or open water training dive must return their gear by 7:00 p.m. on the next business day. Any student who fails to return gear at the appropriate time will be charged the standard rental charge for each day the equipment is late. No certifications or university grades will be issued to students who fail to return their gear or have outstanding balances with Aquatic Adventures, Inc. that are the result of late returns or damage due to negligence. Equipment that is not returned within 3 business days of the return date will be considered stolen and will be reported to the appropriate authorities.

CERTIFICATION: Open water training is NOT part of the Skin & Scuba program at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Students who wish to receive a PADI certification must attend four open water dives. A \$31 certification fee will be collected from UWM students when they register for the open water dives to cover administrative fees. This fee is non-refundable. Students who fail to show up for an open water dive will need to pay an additional \$25 to register for another day. However, the standard life-support equipment rental package fee is provided free of charge as a courtesy to UWM Skin & Scuba students attending open water training. Personal gear, entry fees, and any other items that are not provided in the standard Aquatic Adventures Open Water Diver course are the responsibility of all students attending open water dives.

UWM POLICIES AND FEES: All University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee students are required to familiarize themselves with the schedules, policies, and fees associated with scuba training by reading through the material provided at <http://www.dive-aai.com/uwm>. Aquatic Adventures will not be responsible for any inconveniences or issues arising from students claiming to be unfamiliar with the material provided for their benefit on this website.

Attendance requirements: Any student who does not participate in classes cannot expect to satisfactorily complete course objectives and therefore should consider dropping the course.

Guidelines for Wireless: The Guidelines are on the College of Health Sciences website under the student tab. The Guidelines are the third link from the bottom. Website link: http://www4.uwm.edu/chs/students/current_students/

University Policies

1. *H1N1 Influenza Guidance.* With Novel Influenza A (H1N1) cases continuing to occur in communities throughout Wisconsin, it is anticipated that UWM will continue to be affected by the outbreak this fall and winter. The Office of Academic Affairs will continue to monitor the situation and plan for various contingencies. Keep in mind that, per guidance from the Centers for Disease Control, if you are ill, with flu-like symptoms, you should not come to the university or any of your classes.

In the event of disruption of normal classroom activities due to an H1N1 flu outbreak, the format for this course may be modified to enable completion of the course. In that event you will be provided an addendum to this syllabus that will supersede this version.

2. *Students with disabilities.* If you will need accommodations to meet any of the requirements of this course please contact me as soon as possible. Verification of disability, class standards, the policy on the use of alternate materials and test accommodations can be found at the following:
<http://www.uwm.edu/Dept/DSAD/SAC/SACltr.pdf>

3. *Religious observances.* Policies regarding accommodations for absences due to religious observance are found at the following:
http://www.uwm.edu/Dept/SecU/acad%2Badmin_policies/S1.5.htm

4. *Students called to active military duty.* Accommodations for absences due to call-up of reserves to active military duty should be noted.

http://www4.uwm.edu/current_students/military_call_up.cfm

5. *Incompletes.* The conditions for awarding an incomplete to graduate and undergraduate students can be found at the following:

http://www4.uwm.edu/secu/acad+admin_policies/S31.pdf

6. *Discriminatory conduct (such as sexual harassment).* Definitions of discrimination. Harassment, abuse of power, and the reporting requirements of discriminatory conduct are found at the following:

http://www.uwm.edu/Dept/SecU/acad%2Badmin_policies/S47.pdf

7. *Academic misconduct.* Policies for addressing students cheating on exams or plagiarism can be found at the following:

<http://www4.uwm.edu/osl/dean/conduct.cfm>

8. *Class Misconduct:* Disruption of class, harassment, and any behavior considered hazardous to others may be cause for dismissal from class.

9. *Complaint procedures.* Students may direct complaints to the head of the academic unit or department in which the complaint occurs. If the complaint allegedly violates a specific university policy, it may be directed to the head of the department or academic unit in which the complaint occurred or to the appropriate university office responsible for enforcing the policy.

10. *Grade appeal procedures.* Procedures for student grade appeal appear at the following:

http://www.uwm.edu/Dept/SecU/acad%2Badmin_policies/S28.htm

11. *Final examination policy.* Policies regarding final examinations can be found at the following:

http://www.uwm.edu/Dept/SecU/acad%2Badmin_policies/S22.htm

Assumption of Risk:

Students are notified that this course/activity has inherent hazards, exposures, and risks, some known and some unanticipated, which could result in harm, injury (physical or mental), illness, diseases, death or damages to the student, the student's property or to other third parties or their property.

By enrolling in and continuing to participate in this course/activity, students are voluntarily agreeing to assume all of the inherent hazards, exposures, and risks associated with this course. Students must accept full responsibility for their own health and well-being by participating in this activity. Students must also accept full responsibility for third parties whose health and well-being are affected by the students' participation in this course/activity.

Students are also notified that UWM does not provide any accident or health insurance to cover participation in the course/activity, and that students are responsible to provide their own such insurance.

Students will be required to sign a separate Assumption of Risk, Waiver, and Release form for this course/activity.

Students are encouraged to review the Department of Human Movement Sciences Undergraduate Student Policies Handbook, which is available in Enderis 411 or on the web at http://www4.uwm.edu/chs/pdf/HMS_Handbook.pdf. This Handbook offers students information regarding admission requirements, University policy regarding classroom accommodation, harassment, complaint procedures, and grade and grievance procedures.