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# COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

## Department of Human Movement Sciences

### Sport and Recreation Office

**Fall 2010**

**Course Number, Title, and Credit Hours:**

Spt & Rec 289, Scuba Equipment Maintenance Specialty, 1 credit

**Special Course fee:** \$65.00 (Includes: equipment rental for one weekend and PADI certification) plus books & video payable to Aquatic Adventures, Inc.

**Location:** Aquatic Adventures, Inc. & TBA  
13830 W. Greenfield Ave.  
Brookfield, WI 53005  
Other Locations TBA  
Phone: (262)-938-6827  
[www.dive-aai.com](http://www.dive-aai.com)

**Section Number and Day/Time:** Lec 104, W 7:00pm-9:00pm (10/25/10-12/14/10)

**Instructor:** Jerry Otte

**Email and/or Phone Number:** [jotte@dive-aai.com](mailto:jotte@dive-aai.com) / (414) 583-4461

**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](mailto:chs-outreach@uwm.edu)

**Description of course objectives:** The PADI Equipment Maintenance Specialist course is an introduction to the operation and proper maintenance of scuba equipment. Participants will learn about the principles and operation of diving equipment, recommended care and maintenance procedures, common problems with equipment, and recommended professional maintenance procedures. This course also provides divers with simple suggestions for comfortable equipment configurations and an introduction to new equipment. One confined water dive is included in the course to allow participants to try out new equipment.

**Pre-requisite(s):** PADI Open Water Diver certification or equivalent from another scuba training agency.

**Required and Recommended Readings:** PADI Encyclopedia of Recreational Scuba Diving. This book will be available for purchase at your first class meeting. Prices for this book are established by PADI Americas. Call Aquatic Adventures at (262) 938-6827 for the current price.

**Source of each reading, if not a textbook to be purchased at the Bookstore:** PADI Encyclopedia of Recreational Scuba Diving. This book will be available for purchase at

your first class meeting. Prices for this book are established by PADI Americas. Call Aquatic Adventures at (262) 938-6827 for the current price.

**Required and Recommended Equipment/Material(s):** Mask, fins, snorkel, and boots recommended.

**Special out-of-class assignments:** None.

**Tips for successful participation in class:** Participation in class is required to successfully complete this course.

**Grading Policies:** Grading is based on the following:

- Attendance and participation in 3 lectures on scuba equipment = 1/2 of grade
- Attendance and participation in 2 practical application labs = 1/3 of grade
- Successful completion of 1 confined water dive = 1/6 of 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](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 life support equipment for confined water dives. There is no charge for using this equipment. All rented equipment may be used only by the student it is issued to 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 who pick up equipment and then fail to show up for training must return their gear by 4:00 p.m. on the next business day. Any student who fails to return gear at the appropriate time will be charged a \$65 per day late fee. 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.

**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/](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](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](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](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](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](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](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](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.