# Midwestern State University Gordon T. & Ellen West College of Education

# UNDERGRADUATE KINESIOLOGY SYLLABUS, CALENDAR, ASSIGNMENTS

# KNES 4553 X20 Law & Ethics in Recreation, Leisure & Sport Spring 2023

## **Contact Information**

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## **Contact Preference**

My preferred method of communication is by email. I check my email throughout the day (MTWR), so you can expect to hear back from me usually within a few hours of receiving your message. Do not expect a response during the evening hours or over the weekend. I generally do not pay attention to the phone, so if you call and leave a message, you may not receive a return call.

#### **Required Course Materials**

- 1. Textbook
- 2. Internet access and computer

#### Textbook

Champion, W.T., Karcher, R.T., & Ruddell, L.S. (2020). *Sports Ethics for Sports Management Professionals* (2<sup>nd</sup> ed.). Burlington, MA: Jones & Bartlett.

## **Course Description**

This course will familiarize students with the legal and ethical issues surrounding recreation, leisure, and the sport industry. In addition, the course will assist students in self-evaluating and examining the basic philosophical issues concerning ethics and moral reasoning and develop an ethical decision-making process.

## Learning Outcomes

Students will demonstrate an understanding of the U.S. legal system, tort law, product liability, risk management, employment law, and gender equity.

Students will demonstrate an understanding of current ethical and moral issues facing

professionals in recreation, leisure and sport.

Students will discuss standards of conduct expected of coaches and athletic administrators.

#### **Elements of the Course**

#### Syllabus

The syllabus provides general information about the course, assignment expectations and requirements, and assessment information.

## Calendar

The calendar lists the weekly topics, assignments, and due dates for each assignment.

Textbook

The textbook is required reading for this course. Assignments are connected directly to the text.

#### D2L Dropboxes

Dropboxes will be created for submission of assignments.

#### **Learning Activities**

#### Chapter Related Questions (160 pts)

Questions will be posted related to each chapter. Responses are expected to be factual in nature with support from information in the chapter readings.

#### **Final Grade Determination**

- A 171-190 points
- B 152-170 points
- C 133-151 points
- D 114-132 points
- F 000-113 points

#### **Professional Expectations**

Students are expected to behave academically, interpersonally, professionally, and collaboratively in a manner consistent with standards set by the West College of Education.