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**\*\*Please make sure to check the following link frequently for changes in University policy regarding operation during the COVID-19 pandemic.\*\***

<https://ahealthieru.auburn.edu/>

**COVID-specific policies relevant to this course can be found later in this syllabus.**

Spring 2021

# **Open Water I**

**PHED 1760**

## Lecture: Tuesday 4-4:50pm or 5-5:50pm

Pool Sessions: Tuesday, Wednesday, OR Thursday 1-3pm; OR Sunday 6-9pm

Instructor: **Wade Lloyd** Office Hours: M-F 11am - 1pm, 3pm – 5pm

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This is an entry level course designed to learn about scuba and earn Open Water certification. **SSI Open Water Diver certification** cards are recognized throughout the world. They entitle you to dive for a lifetime with other certified divers. It also enables you to purchase/rent equipment and obtain air fills anywhere you choose to dive.

# **CLASS WORK:** PHED 1760 offers 2 hours of University Credit. Each week, the students are required to attend one lecture session that meets in the Old Student Activity Center and one pool session that meets at the University Aquatics Center. There will be two exams plus a final exam. There will be required online homework and review questions that follow the progression of the class. Homework completion will be monitored by the instructor. **Your attendance at the pool and a Freshwater Lab is *required* to pass this class**.

# **EQUIPMENT:** Each student **must** provide all their own **personal gear**, including **mask**, **fins**, **snorkel**, **booties**, **weight belt**, and **weight**. All gear purchased from us can be exchanged for full trade in value at any time during the class if you have any problems with quality or fit. Purchasing quality gear is crucial to your success and enjoyment of scuba diving! Personal gear purchases from Adventure Sports will be around $275-375. **We offer a 10% discount on personal gear to our students.** We furnish all the major equipment you will need for the class including: regulators, buoyancy compensators, wetsuits and tanks.

# **Grading Criteria:** Your final letter grade will be determined on a total point (900) basis. Borderline grades will receive consideration based on participation. **Grade will automatically be a 0 if lab fee is not paid!**

Create SSI online profile by **January 19**: **100** You must upload a photo of yourself!

Homework: **100** (3 Homework Sections and Deco Worksheet)

Exams: **300** (Test 1, Test 2, Final, 100 points each)

Pool Lab: **300** (100 *skill points and 200 attendance points*)

Fresh Water Lab: **100**

Total points: **900**

*\*****Students shall not receive credit for homework turned in after the due dates\****

For more information please call Adventure Sports at **334-887-8005**

# **Attendance policy:** *There is* ***a MANDATORY attendance policy for the pool lab sessions*.** The optional dive trips can count towards missed lab totals, at the instructor’s discretion. If you do miss lab, you will be required to make up the lab and skills taught on the day of absence.

# **Test Make-Up:** Test make-up will only be granted to students with proper University approved excuses. Students with approved excuse have until **April 22, 2021** to make-up an exam.

**CERTIFICATION TRIPS ARE OUTLINED BELOW:**

**Lake Martin (Required):** This is an introduction to the open water. The dives are made at Anchor Bay Marina at Lake Martin located approximately 45 minutes northwest of Auburn. While at Lake Martin, you will make one snorkel dive and two SCUBA skills dives. The trip is one day and takes about four hours. You may substitute a day at Vortex Springs in place of the lake.

**Vortex Springs Weekend:** We will dive Saturday and Sunday morning at Vortex Springs. A night dive is optional Saturday night. At least one day is required if you are going on the Cozumel trip. This trip can take the place of the Lake Martin Trip.

**Cozumel Spring Break:** This all-inclusive trip runs from Wednesday until Sunday of Spring Break. Six dives, flight, lodging, and food is included. We **require** at least one day at Vortex before this trip.

**Vortex Spring/Panama City:** We will do 3 dives in Vortex Spring on Friday afternoon. On Saturday, dives are made in Panama City Beach. There will be a morning boat and a midday boat, and each which consists of two dives. Each boat will take four hours and is setup for you to receive an Open Water I certification. We **require** at least one day at the lake and Springs/two days at the Springs before diving at Panama City.

**Panama City Night Boat:** An optional 6-hour afternoon boat dive will be offered on the same Saturday as the Open Water dives. There will be a deep dive and a night dive on this boat. We **require** an AM boat before this dive.

**Florida Keys:** This trip includes six dives in the beautiful Florida Keys and leaves the Friday of finals week. We **require** at least one day at the lake or Vortex Springs before this trip. The price of this trip includes diving and lodging.

**Blackbeard’s Live Aboard:** This trip is a week-long trip on a live aboard sailboat in the Bahamas. This is trip is all-inclusive except for airfare. You can get up to 19 dives on this trip, including reef, wreck and shark dives. You must have a passport.

**\*\* To pass the class, only the Lake or a day at Vortex Springs is required\*\***

**\*\* To become scuba certified, you must dive at least one day at the Lake AND Vortex Spring AND go on a Panama City boat\*\***

For more information please call Adventure Sports at **334-887-8005**

**COSTS** (only lab and lake/Vortex fees are mandatory)  
**\*Dates are tentative\***

**Lab Fee:** $295 (Paid to Adventure Sports Scuba) Due by **Jan 19**

**Vortex Spring Weekend** $160 **March 6-7**

**Cozumel Spring Break:** $1599 **March 10-14**

**Lake:**  $65 **April 13-14**

**Vortex Spring:** $90 **April 16**

**Panama** **City:** $160 **April 17** Optional night boat is an extra $120

**Florida Keys:** $840 **TBD**

**Blackbeard’s:** $1299 **May 8-14**

**CLASS SCHEDULE:**

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| **Date** | **Lecture** | **Homework** |
| Jan 12 | Introduction |  |
| Jan 19 | Gear / Risk Awareness / Folders | Make Online SSI Profile **Lab Fees and Profile Due** |
| Jan 26 | Intro to Physics | Online Section 1 and 2 |
| Feb 2 | Intro to Physiology | Online Section 1 and 2 |
| Feb 9 | Physics and Physiology | Online Section 1 and 2 |
| Feb 16 | **Wellness Day – No Class** |  |
| Feb 23 | **Test 1** | Online Section 1 and 2 **Due** |
| Mar 2 | Review Test 1 | Online Section 3 and 4 |
| Mar 6-7 | **Vortex Spring Weekend** |  |
| Mar 9 | Dive Tables and Physiology | **Be in class!**  Deco worksheet |
| Mar 10-14 | **Cozumel Trip** |  |
| Mar 16 | Dive Tables | **Be in class!**  Online Section 3 and 4 |
| Mar 23 | **Test 2** | Online Section 3 and 4 **Due** |
| Mar 30 | Review Test 2 | Online Section 5 and 6 |
| April 6 | Diving Opportunities and Beyond  Review for Final | Online Section 5 and 6 |
| April 13-14 | **Lake Martin – No Class** |  |
| April 16-17 | **Vortex Spring and Panama City** |  |
| April 20 | **Final** | Online Section 5 and 6 **Due**  **Turn in deco worksheet** |
| May 8-14 | **Blackbeards Liveaboard** |  |

**Pool Sessions:**

**Tuesday pool sessions begin January 19**

**Wednesday pool sessions begin January 20**

**Thursday pool sessions begin January 21**

**Sunday pool sessions begin January 31**

**Class Policy Statements**

**Physical Activity and Wellness Program Attendance Policy**

The material and experiences in this class are important and if you are not in class, you cannot take an active role as a student. Class attendance and appropriate participation is paramount to your success as a student. Participation is defined as, but not limited to, “fully engaging in the course content and activities at a level that is deemed appropriate by the instructor.” Failure to appropriately participate in the course content and activities can result in a deduction of points from a student’s overall course grade at the discretion of the instructor. Moreover, at the discretion of the instructor, students arriving tardy to class will lose 1% of their final grade per offense. Unexcused absences cannot be made up and will result in a 3% deduction from the student’s final grade per absence. **Once a student has accrued five (5) unexcused absences he/she will not be permitted to take the final examination and will receive a grade of FA (as stipulated by the Physical Activity and Wellness Program guidelines). Moreover, students who accrue eight (8) absences (excused, unexcused and/or combination of each type) will not be permitted to take the final examination and will receive a grade of FA.**

Excused absences will be treated as follows:

a. Students must provide the instructor with a valid excuse upon returning to class (refer to Auburn University’s policy concerning class attendance and excused/unexcused absences): and

b. Make-up work developed and assigned at the discretion of the instructor must be completed within a week of the student returning to class.

If the student fails to follow these instructions the excused absence in question will be calculated as an unexcused absence. There are times when unforeseen circumstances will not allow you to attend class. Exceptions to this policy due to extreme circumstances are only permitted with the professor’s timely knowledge and approval. Arrangements to make up missed assignments and examinations due to properly authorized excused absences shall be initiated by the student within a week of the excused absence as mandated by Auburn University. Again, the format of any make-up work/assignments will be at the instructor’s discretion. Finally, the instructor will address all issues concerning absences at his/her discretion. Students are encouraged to refer to Auburn University’s policies concerning attendance, absences, academic honesty, and make-up work as found in the Auburn Bulletin.

**AU BULLETIN EXCUSED ABSENCE POLICY**

“Arrangement to make up missed major examinations (e.g. hour exams, midterm exams) due to properly authorized excused absences (as defined by the Tiger Cub) shall be initiated by the student within one week from the end of the period of the excused absence. Normally, a make-up exam shall occur within two weeks from the time that the student initiates arrangements for it... Instructors are expected to excuse absences for:

a. Illness of the student or serious illness of a member of the student’s immediate family. **The instructor may request appropriate verification.**

b. The death of a member of the student’s immediate family. **The instructor may request appropriate verification.**

c. Trips for members of the student organizations sponsored by an academic unit, trips for University classes, and trips for participation in intercollegiate athletic events. When feasible, the student must notify the instructor prior to such absences, but in no case more than one week after the absence. **Instructors may request formal notification from appropriate University personnel to document the student’s participation in such trips.**

d. Religious holidays. Students are responsible for notifying the instructor in writing of anticipated absences due to their observance of such holidays.

e. Subpoena for court appearance. **The instructor may request appropriate verification.**

**Academic Honesty Policy:** All portions of the Auburn University student academic honesty code (Title XII) found in the *Tiger Cub* will apply to university courses. All academic honesty violations or alleged violations of the SGA Code of Laws will be reported to the Office of the Provost, which will then refer the case to the Academic Honesty Committee.

**Disability Accommodations:** Students who need special accommodations in class, as provided by the Americans with Disabilities Act, should arrange for a confidential meeting with the instructor during office hours in the first week of classes (or as soon as possible if accommodations are needed immediately). The student must bring a copy of their Accommodations Letter and an Instructor Verification Form to the meeting. If the student does not have these forms, they should make an appointment with the Program for Students with Disabilities, 1288 Haley Center, 844-2096 (V/TT).

**Course contingency: *\*\*This is a dynamic Syllabus and is subject to change\*\****

If normal class and/or lab activities are disrupted due to illness, emergency, or crisis situation, the syllabus and other course plans and assignments may be modified to allow completion of the course. If this occurs, an addendum to your syllabus and/or course assignments will replace the original materials.

**\*\*COVID-19 POLICIES\*\***

**Attendance Policy**

Your health and safety, and the health and safety of your peers, are my top priorities. If you are experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19, or if you discover that you have been in close contact with others who have symptoms or who have tested positive, you should not attend in-person classes. My hope is that if you are feeling ill or if you have been exposed to someone with the virus, you will stay home to protect others.

Please do the following in the event of an illness or COVID-related absence:

* Notify me in advance of your absence if possible (or within 48 hours of missed class)
* Keep up with coursework as much as possible
* Participate in class activities and submit assignments electronically as much as possible
* Notify me if you require a modification to the deadline of an assignment or exam

Finally, if remaining in a class and fulfilling the necessary requirements becomes impossible due to illness or other COVID-related issues, please let me know as soon as possible so we can discuss your options.

**Face Covering Policy**

In response to COVID-19, and in alignment with Auburn University's Presidential directives, and local, state, and national health official guidelines face coverings are required at all times while on campus, except when alone in a private office. This includes the classroom, laboratory, studio, creative space, or any type of in-person instructional activity, and public spaces. "A “face covering” is defined as a “covering that fully covers a person’s nose and mouth, including without limitation, cloth face mask, surgical mask, towels, scarves, and bandanas.

If a student has a medical exception to the face covering requirement, please contact the Office of Accessibility to obtain appropriate documentation.

**Instructional Contingency Plan**

If normal class and/or lab activities are disrupted due to illness, emergency, or crisis situation (such as a COVID-19 outbreak), the syllabus and other course plans and assignments may be modified to allow completion of the course. If this occurs, an addendum to your syllabus and/or course assignments will replace the original materials. If the method of delivery should need to be changed throughout the course of the semester, please look to your Canvas page for announcements.

* Back-up instructors are Stephen Jellenc (sdj0008) and/or Kaitlyn Baker (kwb0018).
* In the event Wade Lloyd is unable to instruct, contingency plans include back-up instructors filling in for normal class and lab meetings OR meetings will be moved to online. All announcements will be made through Canvas.