

AUBURN UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN PERFORMANCE
PHED 1500 Tennis - Summer session 2010
1st five weeks

Instructor

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***In accordance with university policy,
students are expected to check e-mail regularly
for announcements and assignments!***

**** ALWAYS USE A SUBJECT IN THE SUBJECT LINE! ****

Course Description

This course is designed for the beginning player. Students learn the skills, etiquette, rules, and strategy associated with the game of tennis so that he/she may participate in and enjoy tennis as a lifelong leisure activity.

Objectives

- A. For students to become competent in the skills of tennis in order to play at an enjoyable level.
- B. For students to learn and demonstrate court courtesies, rules, tactics, for singles and doubles play.
- C. For students to demonstrate responsible personal and social behavior in class; including applying safe practices, rules, and etiquette; showing sensitivity to the feelings of others; respecting the opponent; and accepting the line calls of the opponent.
- D. For students to identify and discuss health concepts relevant to tennis; including potential safety hazards; importance of physical fitness; importance of proper warm-up and cool-down.

Content

Court, equipment, etiquette, rules and scoring

Basic strokes: volley, groundstrokes, service

Service return, court sense

Advanced strokes: drop shot, overhead, passing shot, lob

Tactics: singles and doubles

Textbook

Johnson, Xanthos, & Lebedeff (2003). *Tennis* (8th ed.); McGraw-Hill Winning Edge Series.

Required Equipment

Student must bring his/her own tennis racquet, and two new, **UNopened** cans of tennis balls.

Evaluation

Written Quizzes	50%
Skills	40%
Participation Points	10%

Grading Scale: A = 90-100 B = 80-89 C = 70-79 D = 60-69 F = below 60%

Course policies

Class Schedule: Class will meet from 8 to 9:30 on MTWRF. Any modifications to meeting times/days will be announced in class.

Attendance and Tardies: Because this class is of a laboratory nature, regular attendance is required. The instructor reserves the right to deduct points if a student is late to class, leaves, early, or does not fully participate. Unexcused absences cannot be made up and will result in a **three (3) point** 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 or a combination of the two types)** will not be permitted to take the final examination and will receive a grade of FA. **Students are responsible for any material missed if tardy or absent.**

Class Attire: Students must dress every class meeting in appropriate athletic shorts, shirts, socks, and **tennis or court shoes**. Shoes designed for running or walking are **inappropriate** and **unsafe** for tennis play!

Equipment: Students must provide his or her own racquet and **two new, unopened cans** of USTA approved hard court tennis balls. Tennis balls must be provided by May 24.

Weather: It will be HOT!! You are encouraged to wear light (weight and color) clothing, bring sunscreen, a towel, and a WATER BOTTLE. (No other food or drinks may be brought onto the courts.)

Inclement weather: Meet in Memorial Coliseum room _____. Class **will meet** in the event of rain! Bring book, expect a quiz or written assignment.

Electronic and wireless devices: Students will not use phones, personal listening devices, or other wireless devices during class. Use of such devices in class will be considered non-participation.

Honesty Code: The University Academic Honesty Code and the Tiger Cub Rules and Regulations pertaining to Cheating will apply to this class. As a professional, the student is expected to uphold the standards of academic integrity. It is the student's responsibility to understand appropriate use of the work of others, and that which constitutes plagiarism. Collaborative assignments and individual assignments are clearly indicated. Accordingly, tests are to be completed

INDIVIDUALLY and with NO RESOURCES. This includes quizzes and tests given on-line on BLACKBOARD.

Email and Blackboard: Communication with the professor outside of class can be done using Tiger mail. Additionally, course materials (assignment guidelines, rubrics, lecture outlines, and additional resources) are posted on Blackboard.

Accommodations: Students who need accommodations are asked to arrange a meeting during office hours the first week of classes, or as soon as possible if accommodations are needed immediately. If you have a conflict with my office hours, an alternative time can be arranged. To set up this meeting, please contact me by e-mail. Bring a copy of your Accommodation Memo and an Instructor Verification Form to the meeting. If you do not have an Accommodation Memo but need accommodations, make an appointment with the Program for Students with Disabilities at 1244 Haley Center, 844-2096 (V/TT).