PDP GS 114 Intro to Golf

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Meets once per week: 0.5 Credit

Course Description:
Each week will include general instruction followed by individual practice time. The main topics that will be covered are listed below:

- Setup Basics (Grip, Aim, Stance, Posture)
- Full Swing (Irons)
- Short Game (Chipping and Pitching)
- General Rules & Strategy

Required Equipment:
Comfortable clothing and athletic shoes are recommended. Students may want to purchase their own golf glove to avoid blisters and discomfort in the hands.

Course Goals:
Students should expect to:

- Understand the basic fundamentals of the golf swing.
- Hit the ball straight and in the air with various golf clubs.
- Develop short game skills such as pitching and chipping.
- Learn the basic rules and strategy of the game

Grading Policy:
This class will be graded Pass/Fail, based on attendance. Please visit the Registrar's website often to view relevant deadlines! Below is a list of possible grades you may receive in this class:

P – Pass: Completed course requirements, 80% or more classes attended

W – Withdraw: If you drop this class after the specified deadline, you will receive a “W” grade.

MG - Missing Grade: If you decide you do not want to take this course, but forget to drop it, this grade will appear on your transcript. You will still be allowed to graduate and it will not affect your overall GPA, however you are strongly encouraged to drop this course within the allotted deadline to avoid this grade. Dropping before the deadline will remove this class from your transcript entirely.

I – Incomplete: If you fail to meet the attendance requirements of this course, you will receive an “I” until you have made up all missed classes. Please make arrangements with your instructor to do so within the following semester. Your grade will be changed to a “P” once you have made up all classes.

AU- Audit: If you intend to audit this class, please fill out and ask your instructor to sign a Class Adjustment/AU form and turn it in to the Registrar’s Office by the deadline.
F- Fail: It is very unlikely that you will receive a failing grade. Your instructor is happy to work with you to make up any missed classes. A grade of “F” will only be given in extenuating circumstances.

Attendance Policy & Make-Up Classes:
Because this class is graded solely on attendance and learning is cumulative, it is important that you attend each class. You will need an 80% attendance record to receive a passing grade. You are allowed 3 unexcused absences. Excused absences (such as illness or injury with a doctor’s note or death of a family member) will not count against your attendance record. If you have more than 3 unexcused absences, you will need to arrange to make up the classes you have missed. You can do this by attending a section of golf.

Please contact Caleb Wong, Golf Instructor, if you plan on attending a section of class so that he can plan accordingly. It is your responsibility to keep track of your attendance record and make up any classes you have missed.

Blackboard, FitRec Website & Course Evaluation:
A Blackboard course site may be available for this class online at http://www.learn.bu.edu and can be accessed by entering your BU username and password. All students enrolled in this class should have access to this site, even if your school does not use Blackboard. This site will give you access to the course syllabus, any additional content, and allow you to email other students in this class. Emergency cancelations as well as other announcements may also be posted here.

For a broader explanation of PDP credit class policies, information on registration, or schedules please visit the FitRec’s website: http://www.bu.edu/fitrec/about/physical-education/

Course evaluations will be sent via email at midterm and at the end of the semester. Please take the time fill these out – your feedback is very important to us!

Student Conduct:
Boston University’s codes of conduct are enforced at the Fitness and Recreation Center at all times. Use of Boston University facilities is a privilege and participants are expected to be good citizens and respect the rights of others. Individuals who engage in unacceptable or irresponsible behavior may have their access to the Fitness and Recreation Center revoked or modified indefinitely as determined by the Executive Director of Physical Education, Recreation and Dance. Students may be subject to further university disciplinary action as outlined in the Boston University Code of Student Responsibilities (www.bu.edu/dos/policies/student-responsibilities).

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