

PDP FT 114 Fitness Fundamentals

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Meets twice per week: 1.0 Credit

Course Description:

A course in fitness training principles and methods that will enable you to design your own fitness routine. The five components of fitness, cardiovascular, muscular strength, muscular endurance, body composition, and flexibility will be reviewed in depth.

Learning Outcomes:

As a result of successfully completing this course, the student will be able to:

- Explain the health benefits of aerobic exercise, flexibility training, and muscular strength training
- Learn proper exercise techniques
- Develop and engage in a personal fitness program
- Administer pre and post fitness tests using specified protocol
- Define basic terminology related to fitness principles and assessment
- Measure resting heart rate and determine target heart rate to achieve health benefits
- Identify the theory behind behavior change and physical activity adherence

Attendance Policy & Make-Up Classes:

Because this class is graded 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 5 absences. If you have more than 5 absences, you will need to arrange to make up the classes you have missed. You can do this by attending PDP FT 112, 115, 125 or 212.

Make-up slips may be obtained at the PERD office on the second floor of FitRec or on the first floor of the Fitness Center. They must be signed by the instructor of the make-up class and turned into either your instructor. Please contact the instructor of the make-up class that you would like to attend so that they can plan accordingly. It is your responsibility to keep track of your attendance record and make up any classes you have missed.

For a detailed 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/>

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.

Course evaluations:

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).

Curriculum:

Topic 1	Review Syllabus and Policies
Topic 2	Benefits/Barriers to Exercise
Topic 3	Cardiovascular Exercise and Personal Training
Topic 4	Flexibility/Static Stretching
Topic 5	Dynamic Stretching
Topic 6	Body Weight Exercises
Topic 7	Nutrition
Topic 8	Sleep
Topic 9	Plyometrics
Topic 10	High Risk Moves
Topic 11	Fitness Fallacies
Topic12	Stress
Topic 13	Post Test/ Instructor Evaluations