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SAN ANTONIO

Texas A&M University-San Antonio
College of Education & Human Development; Department of Counseling, Health, & Kinesiology

EDKN 1101 Jogging
Fall 2026

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Class time & Location: Madla 134

Platform for classes: Face to Face

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Virtual Office Hours: By Appointment Only

Office Location: Mod C 102

Required Text: n/a

Supplies: Proper attire (shoes, clothing).

Catalog Description: Instruction and participation in distance walking and jogging.

Course Objective: This course will introduce and promote the fundamentals of an aerobic conditioning program through walking and jogging. Students will not be required to run but will be expected complete set distances.

Student Learner Outcomes: Upon completion of this course, each student will be able to:

1. Understand the cardiovascular fitness component and its association to the prevention of health-related diseases.
2. Identify and describe fundamental skills and health benefits involved in a walking, jogging, and running program.
3. Identify and describe physiological adaptations associated with a consistent and continuous exercise program.
4. Identify basic nutrition guidelines essential to an exercise program.
5. Understand and identify prevention and treatment of walking and jogging injuries.
6. Develop or enhance the student's exercise routine in walking, jogging and/or running to increase cardiovascular and muscular endurance levels.
7. Measure and evaluate personal fitness levels using the health and fitness related components.

IMPORTANT POLICIES AND RESOURCES

Academic Accommodations for Persons with Disabilities: The Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act (ADAAA) of 2008 and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 are federal anti-discrimination statutes that provide comprehensive civil rights protection for persons with disabilities. Title II of the ADAAA and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act require that students with disabilities be guaranteed equal access to the learning environment through the provision of reasonable and appropriate accommodation of their disability. If you have a diagnosed disability that may require an accommodation, please contact Disability Support Services (DSS) for the coordination of services. The phone number for DSS is (210) 784-1335 and email is dss@tamusa.edu.

Academic Learning Center: All currently enrolled students at Texas A&M University-San Antonio can utilize the Academic Learning Center for subject-area tutoring. The Academic Learning Center is an appointment based center where appointments are made through the Navigate platform. Students access Navigate through Jagwire in the Student Services tab. The Center is active on campus outreaching to students to highlight services offered. You can contact the Academic Learning Center by emailing tutoring@tamusa.edu or calling (210)-784-1332. Appointments can also be made through JagWire under the services tab.

Counseling Resources: As a college student, there may be times when personal stressors interfere with your academic performance and/or negatively impact your daily functioning. If you or someone you know is experiencing life stressors, emotional difficulties, or mental health concerns at Texas A&M University – San Antonio, please contact the Student Counseling Center (SCC) located in Modular C, Room 166 (Rear entrance) or call 210-784-1331 between the hours of 8:00AM and 5:00PM. All mental health services provided by the SCC are free, confidential (as the law allows), and are not part of a student's academic or university record. SCC provides brief individual, couples, and group therapy, crisis intervention, consultation, case management, and prevention services. For more information, please visit www.tamusa.edu/studentcounseling. In a crisis situation, please walk-in to the Student Counseling Center (SCC) any time between the hours of 8:00AM and 5:00PM to be seen by a licensed clinician. After hours, please contact UPD at 911 or text "HOME" to 741-741 24/7/365 to connect with a trained crisis counselor. The National Suicide Prevention hotline also offers a 24/7/365 hotline at 1-800-273-8255.

Emergency Preparedness: JagE Alert is Texas A&M University-San Antonio's mass notification. In the event of an emergency, such as inclement weather, students, staff and faculty, who are registered, will have the option to receive a text message, email and/or phone call with instructions and updates. To register or update your information visit: <https://tamusa.bbcportal.com/>.

More information about Emergency Preparedness and the Emergency Response Guide can be found here: <https://www.tamusa.edu/upd/index.html>.

Financial Aid and Verification of Attendance: According to the following federal regulation, 34 CFR 668.21: U.S. Department of Education (DoE) Title IV regulation, a student can only receive Title IV funds based on Title IV eligibility criteria which include class attendance. If Title IV funds are disbursed to ineligible students (including students who fail to begin attendance), the institution must return these funds to the U.S. DoE within 30 days of becoming aware that the student will not or has not begun attendance. Faculty will provide the Office of Financial Aid with an electronic notification if a student has not attended the first week of class. Any student receiving federal financial aid who does not attend the first week of class will have their aid terminated and returned to the DoE. Please note that any student who stops attending at any time during the semester may also need to return a portion of their federal aid.

Jaguar Writing Center: The Jaguar Writing Center provides writing support to graduate and undergraduate students in all three colleges. Writing tutors work with students to develop reading skills, prepare oral presentations, and plan, draft, and revise their written assignments. The Writing Center is currently holding all appointments digitally. Students can schedule appointments with the Writing Center in JagWire under the student services tab. Students wanting to work in realtime with a tutor can schedule an "Online Appointment." Students wishing to receive asynchronous, written feedback from a tutor can schedule an "eTutoring" appointment. More information about what services we offer, how to make an appointment, and how to access your appointment can be found on our website at www.tamusa.edu/Writing-Center. The Writing Center can also be reached by emailing writingcenter@tamusa.edu.

Meeting Basic Needs: Any student who has difficulty affording groceries or accessing sufficient food to eat every day, or who lacks a safe and stable place to live, and believes this may affect their performance in the course, is urged to contact the Dean of Students (DOS@tamusa.edu) for support. Furthermore, please notify the professor if you are comfortable in doing so. This will enable them to provide any resources they may possess.

Military Affairs: Veterans and active-duty military personnel are welcomed and encouraged to communicate, in advance if possible, and special circumstances (e.g., upcoming deployment, drill requirements, disability accommodations). You are also encouraged to visit the Patriots' Casa in-person room 202, or to contact the Office of Military Affairs with any questions at military@tamusa.edu or (210)784-1397.

Religious Observances: Texas A&M University-San Antonio recognizes the diversity of faiths represented among the campus community and protects the rights of students, faculty, and staff to observe religious holidays according to their tradition. Under the policy, students are provided an opportunity to make up any examination, study, or work requirements that may be missed due to a religious observance provided they notify their instructors before the end of the second week of classes for regular session classes.

Respect for Diversity: We understand that our students represent diverse backgrounds and perspectives. When we are equity-minded, we are aware of differences and inequalities and are willing to discuss them so we can act to resolve them. The University is committed to building cultural competencies, or the attitudes, skills, and knowledge that enable individuals and organizations to acknowledge cultural differences and incorporate these differences in working with people from diverse cultures. Respecting and accepting people different than you is vital to your success in the class, on campus, and as a future professional in the global community. While working together to build this community we ask all members to:

- Share their unique experiences, values, and beliefs.
- Be open to the views of others.
- Honor the uniqueness of their colleagues.
- Value each other's opinions and communicate respectfully.
- Keep confidential discussions that the community has of a personal (or professional) nature.
- Use this opportunity together to discuss ways in which we can create an inclusive environment in this course and across the A&M-San Antonio community.

The Six-Drop Rule: Students are subject to the requirements of Senate Bill (SB) 1231 passed by the Texas Legislature in 2007. SB 1231 limits students to a maximum of six (6) non-punitive course drops (i.e., courses a student chooses to drop) during their undergraduate careers. A non-punitive drop does not affect the student's GPA. However, course drops that exceed the maximum allowed by SB 1231 will be treated as "F" grades and will impact the student's GPA.

Statement of Harassment and Discrimination: Texas A&M University-San Antonio is committed to the fundamental principles of academic freedom, equality of opportunity and human dignity. To fulfill its multiple missions as an institution of higher learning, A&M-San Antonio encourages a climate that values and nurtures collegiality, diversity, pluralism and the uniqueness of the individual within our state, nation, and world. All decisions and actions involving students and employees should be based on applicable law and individual merit. Texas A&M University-San Antonio, in accordance with applicable federal and state law, prohibits discrimination, including harassment, on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression. Individuals who believe they have experienced harassment or discrimination prohibited by this statement are encouraged to contact the appropriate offices within their respective units.

Texas A&M University-San Antonio faculty are committed to helping create a safe learning environment for all students and for the university as a whole. If you have experienced any form of sex- or gender-based discrimination or harassment, including sexual assault, sexual harassment, domestic or dating violence, or stalking, know that help and support are available. A&M-San Antonio has staff members trained to support survivors in navigating campus life, accessing health and counseling services, providing academic and housing accommodations, and more. The university strongly encourages all students to report any such incidents to the university. Please be aware that all A&M-San Antonio employees (other than those designated as confidential resources such as counselors and other healthcare providers are required to report information about such discrimination and harassment to the university. This means that if you tell a faculty member about a situation

of sexual harassment or sexual violence, or other related misconduct, the faculty member must share that information with the university's Title IX Coordinator. If you wish to speak to a confidential employee who does not have this reporting responsibility, you can contact the Student Counseling Center at (210) 784-1331, Modular C.

Students' Rights and Responsibilities:

The purpose of the following statement is to enumerate the essential provisions for the student freedom and responsibility to learn at Texas A&M University-San Antonio. All students are required to follow all policies and regulations as set forth by The Texas A&M University System. This includes the [A&M-San Antonio Student Code of Conduct](#).

Students' Rights

1. A student shall have the right to participate in a free exchange of ideas, and there shall be no university rule or procedure that in any way abridges the rights of freedom of speech, expression, petition and peaceful assembly as set forth in the U.S. Constitution.
2. Each student shall have the right to participate in all areas and activities of the university, free from any form of discrimination, including harassment, on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin, religion, sex, disability, age, sexual orientation, genetic information or veteran status in accordance with applicable federal and state laws.
3. A student has the right to personal privacy except as otherwise provided by law, and this will be observed by students and University authorities alike.
4. Each student subject to disciplinary action arising from violations of university student rules shall be assured a fundamentally fair process.

Students' Responsibilities

1. A student has the responsibility to respect the rights and property of others, including other students, the faculty and the administration.
2. A student has the responsibility to be fully acquainted with the published University Student Rules found in the Student Handbook, Student Code of Conduct, on our website, University Catalog and students must comply with them and the laws of the land.
3. A student has the responsibility to recognize that student actions reflect upon the individuals involved and upon the entire university community.
4. A student has the responsibility to recognize the University's obligation to provide an environment for learning.
5. A student has the responsibility to check their university email for any updates or official university notification.
6. We expect that students will behave in a manner that is dignified, respectful, and courteous to all people, regardless of sex, ethnic/racial origin, religious background, sexual orientation or disability. Behaviors that infringe on the rights of another individual will not be tolerated.

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Instructional Format: To achieve the course objectives, the class will involve:

Lecture
Individual assignments
Class Exams

<u>Course Evaluation:</u>	
Reflections	60%
Attendance	40%
Total	100%

<u>Criteria:</u>	
90-100	A
80-89.99	B
70-79.99	C
60-69.99	D
0 - 59.99	F

Assignments

- **Weekly Meeting**
- **Blackboard discussions**
 - **Each week there be a discussion board topic, students will be required to make one original post and reply to two (2) peers. Original posts and replies should consist of at least 150 - 250 words.**
- **All students will be required to participate in jogging activities. See Blackboard for schedule. You will also be required to “check in” once a week with a picture of yourself out on the trail jogging on your own through blackboard discussion boards (we’ll help motivate you towards your goal!)**
- **Goals Assignment**
- **Training Plan**

In-class tests will use a green rectangular scantron (882E) and a #2 pencil, available at the bookstore.

On-line tests will be taken on Blackboard and these are also intended for you to work INDIVIDUALLY. If you are caught collaborating with others during on-line testing, you will be [reprimanded](#). Use of electronic equipment during exams will result in a score of 0% for the test and may result in further discipline.

A grade of “C” or better must be earned in this course to satisfy Kinesiology requirements. Majors who do not earn a grade of “C” or better will be required to repeat the course.

Blackboard: All assignments will be turned in and all notes, announcements, etc., will be posted on [Blackboard](#) (except for those that require signatures). Please check that your account is working, otherwise you will fall

behind. If you have problems accessing Blackboard, call [210-784-4357](tel:210-784-4357). **Assignment Dropbox** (course content folder) in Blackboard will be used to turn in electronic assignments. Click on the Assignment Dropbox and attach your document.

To access Blackboard, go to the [TAMU-SA homepage](#).

If you need to pull up an assignment, notes, etc., my suggestion is to save it to your computer or disk, THEN open it.

If you have a question, comment, etc. about an assignment or any other matter, please contact me through **email** first aolague@tamusa.edu, then work phone (voicemail 210-784-1349), but NOT Messaging.

Late Penalties: All assigned work is due on the date and time assigned; work received later than the due date will be penalized **one letter grade** per day, after which 4 days will result in a zero (F).

- *I do not offer extra credit.*
- *I do not offer Independent Studies if an acceptable grade is not earned*

Attendance Policy:

- Quizzes and assignments related to weekly topics will be completed inside and/or outside of class. In-class quizzes and assignments missed because of absence will *not* be made up.
 - Although attendance and tardies are not part of your grade, you will have **20 points** deducted if you do not participate in lab. This deduction will take place on the written laboratory assignment unless you have a valid excuse (see below)
1. The general policy outlined by the University will be followed as stated in the [student handbook](#). There are no 'free' unexcused absences.
 2. The instructor's policy for this course includes:
 - a. Your presence is expected in class daily except for emergencies. Students assume responsibility for any material missed in class. Arrange to pick up handouts as soon as possible. It is YOUR responsibility to make up missed work.
 - b. Requests to be absent from class for official University business (athletics, field trips, student government, etc.) shall be made prior to the anticipated absence. Arrangements for missed work will be made at that time.
 - c. If you miss an exam or quiz or do not show up on the day of a presentation or when an assignment is due without **prior arrangement** with the instructor, no make-up will be allowed unless there is a *documented* emergency.
 - i. If there is an emergency (hospital, funeral, etc.) please contact me the day of the problem or the day you missed class.
 - ii. If you cannot participate in a lab you must have documentation (hurt ankle, sick, etc.), otherwise you will receive half credit for being there but not participating.
 1. This includes not participating in one or more assessments for that lab.
 - iii. If you completely miss a lab and have no documentation, 20 points will be deducted from the written assignment

- d. Points will be deducted from any participation grade that may be required of class as a result of unexcused absences.
 - i. Excused absences: *In the event that you need to be away for a given period of time (e.g. funerals, hospital stays, family emergencies, military duty, etc.), you should contact [Student Counseling and Wellness](mailto:StuCounseling@tamusa.tamus.edu) (210-784-1331 (or 1329); StuCounseling@tamusa.tamus.edu or StuWellness@tamusa.tamus.edu). If you will be missing more than a week of classes (whether continuous or not), inform them of the situation and they can send a notice to all your instructors rather than you having to explain to each of them your circumstances.*
- e. Do not make doctor's appointments on the days of class, tests, labs, or presentations.

Tentative Schedule: This is a tentative schedule. The course schedule will change as the demands of the students dictate. There may be a quiz at the beginning of each class over the previously covered material, except on test days.

Schedule of Course Activities: The course schedule may change as the demands of the students dictate.

August	
24	Introduction, Syllabus, Class Expectations, Goals assignment due Aug. 31st at 11:59pm
31	Class Discussion – Motivation Goals assignment due Aug 31st at 11:59pm
September	
14	Class Discussion – Equipment
21	Class Discussion – Gait
28	Class Discussion – All Terrain Gait Observation Due Sep. 28 at 11:59pm
October	
5	Workout
12	Workout Midterm Reflection due by 11:59pm
19	Workout
26	Workout
November	
2	Workout
9	Workout
16	Workout
23	Workout
30	Workout and Final Reflection Due by 11:59pm