

HMD 587: Seminar in Concepts and Methods of Dietetic Practice

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Required Textbook

John W. Creswell and Vicki L. Plano Clark. (2015). Understanding Research: A Consumer's Guide. 2nd Ed., Pearson, Boston, MA: ISBN: 978-0-13-290223-6

Additional course materials, readings, PowerPoint slides, assignments, etc. will be posted on Blackboard (<http://blackboard.wku.edu>).

Course Description

Discussions and student presentations of topics of current interest in the practice of dietetics. This course will be primarily online with the course culminating the last week of the internship in which the interns will have presentations, case studies, and an exit interview.

Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Competencies

To successfully complete this course, the student will be expected to meet the following competencies for entry-level dietitians:

CRD 1.5 Conduct research projects using appropriate research methods, ethical procedures and statistical analysis

CRD 2.2 Demonstrate professional writing skills in preparing professional communications

CRD 2.10 Serve in professional and community organizations

CRD 2.12 Perform self-assessment, develop goals and objectives and prepare a draft portfolio for professional development as defined by the Commission on Dietetics Registration

CRD 4.4 Participate in public policy activities, including both legislative and regulatory initiatives

Course Website:

This course uses a computerized system (website) called Blackboard.

- You will use this website to access all course information and materials.
- The web address is <https://blackboard.wku.edu>.
- After you reach this web address, you will be given instructions for "logging in"- this is the same as your WKU email (your student 3letter/4number logon and password).

- After you log in, you will be on a new page; this will be the “My WKU” screen. Under “My organizations” on this webpage, click on “**HMD 587: Seminar in Concepts and Methods of Dietetic Practice**” and this link will take you to the course website.
- The buttons on the left side of the screen are folders containing the various parts of the course. Please click on all of them to see what is available and where things are located.

Grading

Your final grade will be calculated as:

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| • Assignments | 25% |
| • Exam | 10% |
| • Proposal | 15% |
| • Research paper | 50% |
| ○ Report | 25% |
| ○ Presentation | 25% |
| Total | 100% |

The final grade scale is as follows:

A = 90 – 100%

B = 80 – 89%

C = 70 – 79%

D = 60 – 69%

F = 59% and Below

Email and Communication

It is required that students enrolled in this class use only their **TopperMail** account as the primary means of communication and **check it at least one time per day**. Information will also be placed on the Blackboard course site, so be sure to check the course web page often for updates. When emailing please remember to be professional and courteous in your email. Emails that are not properly written and do not have a subject will not be returned. To ensure a prompt response to any and all email communication, you are expected to put “**HMD 587**” in your subject line as a prefix. For example, your subject line could be: **HMD 587/ Question About Syllabus**.

Academic Dishonesty

The following list describes the types of academic misconduct that will not be tolerated in any way in this class:

1. **Cheating:** Use of an unauthorized “aid” while taking a test, having another person take an exam or quiz in the place of the student, stealing an examination, using group work as an individual student's work, or unauthorized use of assistance from a lab or computer technician. **Note:** If a proctor at a test site sees/finds a paper, electronic device, or writing on a body part (e.g. hand, arm, leg, etc.) with course information during the exam, this will be considered as cheating and the student will receive a zero for the exam and possibly an “F” in the course. It is incumbent on the student to assure that all books,

papers, notes, and electronic devices that contain course information are securely stored away -- there is a no tolerance in this area.

2. **Fabrication:** Falsifying data in laboratory results, inventing information for a report, falsifying citations to sources of information.
3. **Facilitating Academic Dishonesty:** Aiding another student in committing academic misconduct. This would include, but is not limited to, providing another student with answers for any graded assignment.
4. **Interference:** Stealing, changing, destroying, or impeding another student's work. Impeding includes stealing, defacing, or mutilating resources to deprive someone the use of resources.
5. **Plagiarism:** Using the ideas, words, or statements of another person without giving credit to that person. A student shall give credit to the works of others if the student uses another person's words, ideas, opinions, or theories or borrows facts, statistics, or other illustrative material unless the information is common knowledge.
6. **Online Courses:** When taking an exam, only one browser window/tab can be open – the exam. If you have another browser window open or another browser tab open, this would be considered cheating regardless of what is in the second window/tab.
7. **Violation of Course Rules:** Not following course rules as outlined in the course syllabus, other course documents, email messages, and as instructed on the course website.

Title IX Misconduct/Assault Statement

Western Kentucky University (WKU) is committed to supporting faculty, staff and students by upholding WKU's Title IX Sexual Misconduct/Assault Policy (#0.2070) at

<https://wku.edu/eoo/documents/titleix/wkutitleixpolicyandgrievanceprocedure.pdf> and Discrimination and Harassment Policy (#0.2040) at https://wku.edu/policies/hr_policies/2040_discrimination_harassment_policy.pdf.

Under these policies, discrimination, harassment and/or sexual misconduct based on sex/gender are prohibited. If you experience an incident of sex/gender-based discrimination, harassment and/or sexual misconduct, you are encouraged to report it to the Title IX Coordinator, Andrea Anderson, 270-745-5398 or Title IX Investigators, Michael Crowe, 270-745-5429 or Joshua Hayes, 270-745-5121.

Please note that while you may report an incident of sex/gender based discrimination, harassment and/or sexual misconduct to a faculty member, WKU faculty are "Responsible Employees" of the University and MUST report what you share to WKU's Title IX Coordinator or Title IX Investigator. If you would like to speak with someone who may be able to afford you confidentiality, you may contact WKU's Counseling and Testing Center at 270-745-3159.

ADA Accommodation Statement

In compliance with University policy, students with disabilities who require academic and/or auxiliary accommodations for this course must contact the Student Accessibility Resource Center located in Downing Student Union, 1074. SARC can be reached by phone number at 270-

745-5004 [270-745-3030 TTY] or via email at sarc.connect@wku.edu. Please do not request accommodations directly from the professor or instructor without a faculty notification letter (FNL) from The Student Accessibility Resource Center.

***I reserve the right to revise this syllabus and alter this course at my discretion.**