Liverpool John Moores University

Title: PRACTICAL SPORTS NUTRITION

Status: Definitive

Code: **7042SPOSCI** (120337)

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Owning School/Faculty: Sports Sciences Teaching School/Faculty: Sports Sciences

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Academic Credit Total

Level: FHEQ7 Value: 20.00 Delivered 24.00

Hours:

Total Private

Learning 200 Study: 176

Hours:

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 1

Component	Contact Hours	
Lecture	16.000	
Practical	8.000	

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Test	Fat test		25.0	1.00
Test	Energy tes		25.0	1.00
Report	Meal plan		50.0	

Aims

The aim of this module is to provide practical training in the hands on skills that are required for a career in sports nutrition. Sessions will typically take place in the

laboratories at LJMU and will begin with a short lecture/discussion on the theory and importance of the skill in question. Students will then engage in directed practice and practical training. The body composition lectures and training will be aligned with ISAK standards and it is envisaged that all students will then sit the ISAK examination to allow professional accreditation. The skills taught in this module will be essential for 7045SPOSCI in semester 2 where the students will engage in an applied work placement.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- LO1 Critically assess the available techniques to assess body composition including their reliability and validity.
- LO2 Critically analyse the validity and reliability of techniques to assess energy intake and energy expenditure
- LO3 Develop a critical understating of the specific requirements of team, power and endurance based sports
- LO4 Critically evaluate the skills required to assess the dietary needs of athletes and gain hands on experience in these skills

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

The assessment item list is assessed via the learning outcomes listed:

In class test on body comp	LO 1	
In class test on energy exp	LO 2	
Design/justify meal	LO 3	LC

Outline Syllabus

Week 1 Body composition lecture

Week 2 Body Composition practical

Week 3 Energy Intake and expenditure

Week 4 Energy expenditure practical

Week 5 Interview skills (lecture and practical)

Week 6 Meal planning

Week 7 Reflection

Week 8 Hydration practical

Week 9 Special populations lecture

Week 10 Nutrition for team sports

Week 11 Nutrition for sprint/power/strength based sports

Week 12 Nutrition for endurance sports

Learning Activities

Lectures will be taught by experienced academics who also work in applied practice. A combination of lectures, seminars and practicals will be utilised as well as lots of time made available for students to practise the techniques being taught. Specialist guest lectures will be brought in to deliver sessions such as interview techniques and ISAK accredited staff will perform the ISAK exam to allow students to attempt to gain ISAK accreditation.

References

Course Material	Book	
Author	Arthur Stewart and Laura Sutton	
Publishing Year	2012	
Title	Body Composition in Sport, Exercise and Health	
Subtitle		
Edition	First	
Publisher	Routledge	
ISBN	978-0415614986	

Book
Neil Spurway and Don MacLaren
2007
Nutrition and Sport
First
Churchill Livingstone
978-0443103414

Notes

To work in the field of sports nutrition it is imperative that students not only understand the fundamental science but also have the ability to translate this into real world practical advice. This module is therefore designed to equip the students with the practical skills essential to work as a sports nutritionist. The module will cover key skills such as interview techniques, assessment of energy intake and expenditure and the assessment of body fat (aligned to ISAK standards). The module will then look at how these techniques are implemented in a variety of sporting contexts. Importantly, students will be given the opportunity to sit the ISAK exam to allow them to gain a formal professional accreditation in body fat assessment. This module is designed to equip the students with the skills required to commence the placement in semester 2.