

SMHM 2460 INTRODUCTION TO NUTRITION SCIENCE

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Course Description

This course is an introduction to the relationship between nourishment, lifestyle choices, and long-term health. Topics include classes, sources, and functions of nutrients; and their digestion, absorption, and metabolism. Investigation of eating patterns using database technology demonstrates the relationship between food consumption and nutrient adequacy. The economic, cultural, and psychological implications of food choices and eating behaviors are studied.

UNT Over Arching Objectives (OAO)

1. Gain an awareness of fundamental areas of knowledge and the interrelationships among them
2. Gain the skills required to explore and test ideas
3. Have the ability to read intelligently, write clearly and speak well
4. Value different ideas, perspectives, cultures and viewpoints
5. Demonstrate personal and social responsibility

UNT Exemplary Educational Objectives for Natural Sciences (EEO)

1. To understand and apply the scientific method and appropriate technology to the study of natural sciences.
2. To recognize scientific and quantitative methods of inquiry, and to be able to communicate findings, analyses, and interpretations based upon these methods.
3. To identify and recognize the differences among competing scientific theories.

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Learning Outcomes

After successfully completing this course you are able to:

1. Describe the process by which the body obtains nutrients from food
2. Identify the macronutrients and outline their relationship to energy production
3. Explain the role of electrolytes in maintaining fluid balance
4. Describe health implications edible plant phytochemicals
5. List nutrients important to bone health and explain their function
6. Describe the scientific method and its application to research in nutrition science
7. Write hypotheses and discuss procedures for accepting or rejecting hypotheses
8. Use reliable methods for data collection and analysis, and interpretation of results
9. Demonstrate how to form and communication conclusions

Textbook

Thompson JL, Manore MM & Vaughn L. *Nutrition, An Applied Approach*. San Francisco, CA; Pearson.
Connors, P. *Discovering the Science of Nutrition*. Denton, TX: UNT Press; 2009.

Grade Determination (This is a 3-credit hour course with 3 hours of lecture and 2 hours of lab)

Component	Points	
Lesson/Lecture quizzes	50	A = 450-500 points
Lab quizzes	50	B = 400-449
Lesson/lecture exams	225	C = 350-399
Labs reports	150	D = 300-349
Lab final	<u>25</u>	F = < 299
Total Points	500	

Online Quizzes: There are 11 online quizzes, each is worth 5 points and the lowest grade is dropped.

Lab Quizzes: There are 11 lab quizzes, each is worth 5 points and the lowest grade is dropped.

Lab Reports: There are 11 lab reports, each is worth 15 points and the lowest grade is dropped.

Lecture Outline

1. Global sustainable nutrition
2. Nutrition basics
3. Nutrition recommendations
4. Human body, digestion and absorption of nutrients
5. Macronutrient: carbohydrate
6. Macronutrient: lipid
7. Macronutrient: protein
8. An review of vitamins & minerals
9. Nutrients involved in fluid and electrolyte balance
10. Nutrients and antioxidant function
11. Nutrients and bone function

Lab Outline

1. Scientific method and measurement
2. Food groups and buffets
3. Meeting Dietary Reference Intakes
4. Wheat free for a week
5. Sweetened/non-sweetened breakfast cereals
6. Dietary fats
7. Vegetarian for a week and protein adequacy
8. Dietary calcium and vitamin D
9. Sensory evaluation of water
10. Plant phytochemicals and pH, time, and temperature
11. Dietary balance

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