

Western University
Faculty of Health Sciences
School of Kinesiology

**KIN 1080B - Introduction to Psychomotor Behaviour
Winter 2021**

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NOTE: All course information including video lectures, grades, assignment outlines, deadlines, etc. are available via OWL. Check the website regularly for course announcements.

Calendar Course Description (including prerequisites/anti-requisites):

Fundamental concepts and theories related to movement learning and control will be introduced. The material will address many of the factors that affect the production of voluntary movement. Students will learn about the basis for movement skill and variables that can be used to improve level of skill.

Extra Information: online instruction only

2. Memory (Chapter 3)

E. Fundamentals of Motor Control

1. Sensory Contributions to Motor Control (Chapter 4)
2. Central Contributions to Motor Control (Chapter 5)
3. Principles of Simple Movements (Chapter 6)

Assistance with Class Material:

1. The instructor and your assigned teaching assistant will hold weekly drop in Zoom meetings (see above Instructor Office Hours). The drop in Zoom meetings serve as the preferred means for assistance with all course materials.
2. An email to the instructor or teaching assistant is not a preferred means of communication.
3. It is the student's responsibility to get information from a colleague in the class if they miss a class (i.e., students must get this information from a colleague in the class). The instructor will not provide an ancillary lecture in the case of a missed class.

Lab/Discussion Assignments:

This component of the course will contribute 20% to your final grade. The timeline and due dates for lab/discussion assignments are found here: **XXXXXX**. Completed assignments are to be posted to your OWL discussion board prior to 4:30 pm EST on the due date. If you do not post your answer prior to 4:30 pm EST then you will receive a grade of zero (0) for that assignment. There are not exceptions to this course rule.

NOTE: there are 13 lab/discussion assignments. For this course, you are required to complete 10 of the 13 lab/discussion assignments. You can elect to complete all 13 assignments, and in such a case the 10 assignments with highest graded will be used to derive your lab grade.

Lab/Discussion assignments are predicated on the completion of readings and videos. For example, at the end of the first lecture (see video for Lecture 1) you will read a research article and answer four questions related to the article. For this, and subsequent assignments, you will post your answers to your assigned small group OWL discussion board. Each group will have approximately 25 members from the class (see OWL for your assigned discussion group). The goal of this component is to collect/analyze/interpret data, think critically, synthesize information, write efficiently and effectively and critique the work of others.

For each lab/discussion assignment your answers posted to OWL will be graded by your assigned TA, and each assignment is evaluated out of 10 points. The discussion board will also allow you to comment/interact with the answers of your fellow group members and this board will be moderated by the assigned TA.

As mentioned above, each lab/discussion assignment will be evaluated out of 10 points. The breakdown of the 10-point evaluation is based on the following:

- < 4 points awarded based on writing efficiency and effectiveness (i.e., writing quality),
- < 4 points awarded based on the answer content and/or the appropriate analyses/presentation of data (i.e., did you answer the question correctly),
- < 1 point awarded based on integration of external evidence supporting your answer and/or position statement, and
- < 1 point awarded based on posting a commentary to a peer response.

Course/University Policies

1. Test and Exam Policy

Tests and examinations in this course may be conducted using both Zoom and the remote

Proctortrack will require you to provide **personal information** (including some biometric data). The session will be **recorded**. By taking this course, you are consenting to the use of this software. More information about remote proctoring is available in the Online Proctoring Guidelines at the following link:

<https://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/onlineproctorguidelines.pdf>.

Completion of this course will require you to have a reliable internet connection and a device that meets the system and technical requirements for both Zoom and Proctortrack. Information about the system and technical requirements are available at the following links:

<https://www.proctortrack.com/tech-requirements/>,

<https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us>.

* Please note that Zoom servers are located outside Canada. If you would prefer to use only your first name or a nickname to login to Zoom, please discuss this with your instructor in advance of the test or examination.

2. **Academic offences:** They are taken seriously and students are directed to read the appropriate policy, specifically, the definition of what constitutes a Scholastic Offence, at the following Web site: https://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic_policies/appeals/scholastic_discipline_undergrad.pdf

A) Students must write their assignments in their own words. Whenever students take an idea, or a passage from another author, they must acknowledge their debt both by using quotation marks where appropriate and by properly citing such as footnotes or citations. Plagiarism is a major academic offence (see Scholastic Offence Policy in the Western Academic Calendar). All required papers/assignments may be submitted for submission for textual similarity review to the commercial plagiarism detection software under license to the University for the detection of plagiarism. All papers/assignments submitted for such checking will be included as source documents in the reference database for the purpose of detecting plagiarism of papers subsequently submitted to the system. Use of the service is subject to the licensing agreement, currently between Western University and Turnitin.com <http://www.turnitin.com>

B) Computer marked multiple-choice tests and exams may be subject to submission for similarity review by software that will check for unusual incidences in answer patterns that may indicate cheating.

3. **Health and Wellness:** Information regarding health and wellness-related resources available to students may be found at <http://www.uwo.ca/health>

Students may also refer to Mental Health Services at Western University for more information about mental health resources.

At various locations around campus, including but not limited to the following: Student Centre, Student Union, and the Student Centre.

