

Montgomery College – Rockville  
Fencing PE 103/104  
CRN#  
Days/Time  
Room #

Course Syllabus

**I. Instructor Information**

Name:  
Phone #:  
Email:  
Office:  
Office Hours:

**II. General Course Description**

This course is an introduction to the Olympic sport of fencing. Beginning technique and strategy will be emphasized, along with modern competition format and rules, sport history and theory.

**III. Course Outcomes**

Students will be expected to be able to demonstrate a variety of offensive and defensive techniques. In addition, students will learn to apply strategic concepts, and present on an aspect of fencing theory or history.

**IV. Text**

On occasion, I may assign an online article or video for analysis. I will also provide a reading list to students interested in further research.

**V. Grading**

Attendance: 80%  
Exams: 20%

Standards

Final grades will be determined by total points accumulated through participation and exams. The final points necessary for a given letter grade will be based upon the following percentage scale:

90% of total possible points = A	90-100 points
80% of total possible points = B	80-89 points
70% of total possible points = C	70-79 points

60% of total possible points = D      60-69 points  
Less than 60% of total possible points = F      0-59 points

### Participation

Students are expected to attend class and to be on time. Excessive absences or tardiness will affect final grades. If you have excessive absences (more than two), as defined in the Student Handbook, you may be dropped from the course. If you simply stop coming to class, withdrawal from the course is ultimately the responsibility of the student. Students not dressed to participate will be marked as absent for the day.

### Exams

There will be two exams, consisting of short, written answers. Exams will cover all material presented in class. No makeup exams will be given. In case of an emergency, you must contact the professor before the exam. In the event of an emergency, appropriate documentation (traffic accident report, emergency room visit notice for that day, etc...) must be provided in order for a separate exam to be given.

## VI. **Classroom Policies**

### A. Attendance

Success in this course depends on constant participation. All material tested will be covered thoroughly during class, and ample opportunity for further practice will be given. Missing class will affect your attendance grade, but your exam performance will suffer as well, given that we will cover essential material in every class, material that is not easy to master elsewhere.

### B. Illness or Injury

All students should inform the instructor of any injury, illness or condition that may impair or prevent safe participation. At the instructor's discretion, a writing assignment may be given in order to help the student learn missed material. These assignments must be typed and will not be accepted later than the date specified by the instructor. Students will only be permitted one of these opportunities per semester without a note from a physician.

### C. Dress Code

To earn participation points for each class period, students must abide by the dress code. Students who do not dress appropriately for class will not be permitted to participate and will be marked as absent.

All participants must wear comfortable athletic shorts/pants, shirts, socks and shoes. No open-toed shoes are permitted. Shoes must also be appropriate for the floor surface. The instructor reserves the right to ask students to change shoes that may cause damage to the floor. Students may also wish to bring for class and for a shower after class.

In order to keep all participants as safe as possible, no clothing or jewelry will be permitted which can interfere with your ability to move and exercise or harm another student/equipment. This includes, but is not limited to large, dangling earrings, chains/necklaces not covered by clothing, belts, black-sole shoes, non-athletic shoes, shorts with cargo pockets, shorts which cannot remain near the waist and any clothing with zippers that impair movement. The instructor reserves the right to judge the safety of any clothing or shoes and may request that the student find more appropriate exercise attire.

#### D. Use of Technology During Class

The use of cell phones, computers, and all other electronic devices is not permitted during class. Use of any of these devices during class may adversely affect your grade.

#### Montgomery College Information

In addition to course requirements and objectives that are in this syllabus, Montgomery College has information on its web site (see link below) to assist you in having a successful experience both inside and outside of the classroom. It is important that you read and understand this information. The link below provides information and other resources to areas that pertain to the following: student behavior (student code of conduct), student e-mail, the tobacco free policy, withdraw and refund dates, disability support services, veteran services, how to access information on delayed openings and closings, how to register for the Montgomery College alert System, and finally, how closings and delays can impact your classes. If you have any questions please bring them to your professor. As rules and regulations change they will be updated and you will be able to access them through the link. If any student would like a written copy of these policies and procedures, the professor would be happy to provide them. By registering for this class and staying in this class, you are indicating that you acknowledge and accept these policies. All students must review this link prior to signing the syllabus acknowledgement form.

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