



University of Florida
 College of Health and Human Performance
 Department of Tourism, Recreation and Sport Management

**LEI 2000: Introduction to Tourism, Recreation and Sport Management
 Fall 2008, Section 7810**

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Office Hours: I will be available for meeting with students during office hours both (1) in my office, and (2) online using Skype – a free video/voice over internet software program.

Contact information (in order of effectiveness)

	<p>clane@hnp.ufl.edu</p> <p>I check my email many times a day. Your email to me must say “Lei 2000” in the subject line. Your message to me must appear in the body of the email, and not as a text attachment. I will not open attachments to read messages.</p>
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<p>Office</p>	<p>325-A Florida Gym Office Hours: Tuesday periods 8-9, Wednesday periods 5-6-7. Or, anytime, on Skype.</p>
<p>Telephone</p>	<p>392-4042 x1299 The telephone is, by far, the least effective method of reaching me.</p>

About Your Email...

It is your responsibility to check your UF email account (and WebCT) for information about this class. Every semester a few LEI 2000 students lose the opportunity to complete required work because their UF mailbox is full...

Course Description & Purpose:

LEI 2000 is a course designed to introduce students to an understanding of the various roles of tourism, recreation and sport management in society. Students are encouraged to develop an awareness of leisure and recreation in their lives and to



explore the variety of professional opportunities available in the recreation, sport management and tourism fields. The major topics addressed in this course include the following:

- The nature and evolution of play, recreation, sport and leisure
- The influence of play, recreation, sport and leisure during various life stages
- The impacts of leisure, recreation and sport within individuals and societies
- Various forms of recreation, including commercial recreation, public recreation, state and federal parks, and tourism
- History of tourism, recreation and sport management
- The tourism industry
- Sport tourism
- Career success in sport management
- Sport facility management
- Sport agency and sales
- Current issues in sport and sport management
- Career opportunities in the fields of recreation and sport management

Class Meets:

Online, through UF e-Learning (WebCT) for lectures and assignments.

Course Materials:

	<p>The instructional videos will be available from the university streaming server through links provided on the UF eLearning (WebCT) LEI 2000 class homepage. You must have a valid Gatorlink ID to access the class homepage. Class reading assignments will be listed on the WebCT class homepage.</p>
	<p>The lecture videos are in RealPlayer format. You will need to have the RealPlayer viewer installed on your computer to view the lecture videos. You can download a free copy of the RealPlayer viewer at their website: http://www.real.com/</p> <p>If, for any reason, you are unable to view the lecture videos from your home computer you can use any UF computer lab to do so.</p>
<p>There is no required textbook for this class.</p>	

You are responsible for the information given in the lectures and assigned supplemental readings. It is your responsibility to obtain materials or information provided during your absences.

Course Requirements:

Exams (3 @ 100 points):

Three exams (100 points each) will be administered. Each exam will be new this semester – old exams for this course will not be reused. Exams will cover material from assigned readings, video lectures, and assignments. Exams are to be taken during the scheduled time frame. There is no final exam for students who have completed the 3 regular exams in a timely fashion.

You must take the 3 exams at the scheduled times:

September 29 (Monday)

November 3 (Monday)

December 8 (Monday)

Additionally, **20 points** toward your final grade will be awarded through “involvement work”. The University of Florida is an R1 (Research 1) university. University faculty members in every department, including Tourism, Recreation & Sport Management are routinely involved in conducting studies aimed at improving our understanding in many areas of research.

As a part of your grade for this class (20 points), I would like you to “give something back” by participating in the research process here at UF. You can do so in 1 of the 3 following ways:

- I am arranging for LEI 2000 students to enter the pool of participants to complete a total of 2 online surveys in the areas of tourism research, recreation research, or education research. The demographic of this class (students of all ages from diverse majors across campus) can be particularly useful for some research projects.
- Many University researchers need data collectors on an ongoing basis. I can arrange data collection assignments for those students who feel that this activity would be a more beneficial use of their time.
- Lastly, for students who would prefer to do their own research rather than participate in University research, I will accept a 5-10 page term paper on an approved topic. Contact me for details.

Lastly, there will be a **5 point** online quiz on the contents of this syllabus available online on **Wednesday, September 3.**

Grades

Syllabus quiz	5 pts
Survey 1	10 pts
Survey 2	10 pts
Exam 1	100 pts
Exam 2	100 pts
Exam 3	100 pts

Grading Scale:

A	= 90 – 100%
B ⁺	= 87 – 89.9%
B	= 80 – 86.9%
C ⁺	= 77 – 79.9%
C	= 70 – 76.9%
D ⁺	= 67 – 69.9%
D	= 60 – 66.9%
E	= 59.9% or below

Total 325 points

Missed Exams, Surveys, Quizzes, etc.

Due to the large number of students in LEI 2000, make-up exams will not be given. That said, students who miss an exam for any reason can take a comprehensive final exam at the end of the semester and substitute that final exam score for their missing test grade.

Students who miss a scheduled online survey (10 points) will not be able to complete this work after the survey closes.

Course Objectives:

Upon completion of this course students should be able to:

- Describe meanings of leisure, recreation, sport and play in a variety of individual and social contexts
- Demonstrate an understanding of historical influences on recreation and sport
- Explain the nature of recreation in human development
- Interpret the interplay of individual and social influences pertaining to leisure experience
- Demonstrate an understanding of contemporary issues pertaining to various forms of recreation and sport, including but not limited to tourism and commercial recreation perspectives, and sport management and services

Expectations:

- View all the lecture videos in a timely manner (don't lag behind).
- Log on and complete the online surveys at the appointed time

Fault vs. Responsibility

It is your responsibility to view the lecture videos in a timely manor. In an online environment, technical problems may naturally occur – your computer may crash, or you may lose connectivity with your ISP, or you may be out of town and working on an unfamiliar computer. I understand that none of these, or other, problems is your fault. That said, viewing the lecture videos in a timely manor is still your responsibility. Should you experience computer problems at home you may need to use one of the on-campus computer labs to view the lecture videos.

Accommodations for Students with Disabilities:

Students requesting classroom accommodation must first register with the Dean of Students Office. The Dean of Student Office will provide documentation to the student who must then provide this documentation to the Instructor when requesting accommodation.

Academic Honesty:

As per the University's Student Rights and Responsibilities (www.dso.ufl/STG) any student found cheating, plagiarizing a written assignment, or falsifying a course requirement will either receive a failing grade for the course or be referred for university disciplinary action.