

# WALKING FOR FITNESS: PHED 124

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## **COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

This class is an introductory level physical conditioning course with the emphasis on improving cardiorespiratory endurance, muscular strength and endurance, body composition, and flexibility. Students will be exposed to practical application of both anatomy and exercise physiology.

## **COURSE OBJECTIVES:**

**To gain knowledge and understanding of:**

1. Evaluate the 5 health related components of physical fitness: cardiorespiratory endurance, muscle strength, muscle endurance, body composition, and flexibility.
2. Demonstrate basic anatomy, exercise physiology, and wellness principles.
3. Apply nutrition and exercise habits as a lifestyle.
4. Assess and improve one's own physical fitness level.
5. Develop an individual fitness program using 'S.M.A.R.T.' goals.
6. Develop a variety of training principles used to improve overall physical fitness.

## **PHYSICAL EDUCATION PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:**

**Students will understand the importance of sound health and fitness principles as they relate to better health and will be able to:**

- Define the various health components of fitness.
- Recognize the physical and mental benefits of increased activity.
- Understand anatomy, basic bio mechanical principles and terminology.

**Students will be exposed to a variety of activities providing them the opportunity**

- to:**
- Empower themselves by setting and working toward realistic individual goals.
  - Apply learned fundamental skills.
  - Utilize physical activity as a tool to manage stress.

**Students will demonstrate proficiency through knowledge and acquired skills enabling them to:**

- Understand and utilize various training methods.
- Assess individual levels of fitness components.
- Develop an appreciation of physical activity as a lifetime pursuit and a means to better health.

## **REQUIRED TEXTBOOK:**

Class reader available on Blackboard.

**BLACKBOARD: <http://blackboard.usc.edu>**

We will use resources and information posted on Blackboard™ including lecture reviews.

**EQUIPMENT:**

Proper workout attire, water, towel, notebook, and pen/pencil are required. You will not be allowed to participate in the designated physical activity if you do not have proper workout attire and will lose participation points.

**LOCKERS:**

**USC PHED is NOT responsible for any lost, stolen or damaged property.** If you choose to bring any valuables to class, it is strongly recommended that they be locked up during class. Locker rooms are available in the PE building and the Lyons Center.

**INJURIES:**

Please notify me of any injuries, illness or medical conditions- including pregnancy- prior to starting the practice. This is confidential and necessary to avoid complications and to help adapt the practice to your specific needs as best we can.

**CLASS MEETING INFORMATION:**

Classes will meet in front of the main entrance of the P.E. building and on rainy days inside the lobby, unless specified otherwise by the instructor.

**PARTICIPATION/ATTENDANCE:**

Consistent attendance and active participation is a minimum requirement for completing a performance class and is a large determinant and component of your final grade.

**Evaluation Criteria:**

Cognitive: 50%      S.M.A.R.T. Goals Setting – 5%  
                             S.M.A.R.T. Goals Reflection – 5%  
                             Midterm – 15%  
                             Final Exam – 25%

Psychomotor: 50%    Fitness Pre-Test 10%  
                             Fitness Post-Test 10%  
                             Participation – 30% - Attend, arrive on time, and participate  
                             in individual routine for entire class period.

**Participation Make-Up Credits:**

In case of emergencies, students are able to receive up to 3 make-up credits per semester. A general make-up assignment consists of performing a 30-minute minimum make-up walk, outside of class time. Students will email the instructor, [jadecast@usc.edu](mailto:jadecast@usc.edu), indicating the date of absence, a 2-4 sentence description of their make-up walk, plus a picture of their walk tracking log.

**GRADING SCALE**

94% - 100% = A	80% - 82% = B-
90% - 93% = A-	77% - 79% = C+
87% - 89% = B+	73% - 76% = C
83% - 86% = B	70% - 72% = C-

67% - 69% = D+  
63% - 66% = D  
60% - 62% = D-  
0% - 59% = F

## **Pass/No Pass Policy**

70% and above is a passing grade. 69% or less results in a "No Pass" grade.

## **ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATIONS:**

USC seeks to maintain an optimal learning environment. General principles of academic honesty include the concept of respect for the intellectual property of others, the exception that individual work will be submitted unless otherwise allowed by an instructor, and the obligations both to protect one's own academic work from misuse by others as well as to avoid using another's work as one's own. All students are expected to understand and abide by these principles. S Campus, the Student Guidebook, ([www.usc.edu/scampus](http://www.usc.edu/scampus) or <http://scampus.usc.edu>) contains the University Student Conduct Code (see University Governance, Section 11.00), while the recommended sanctions are located in Appendix A.

Students requesting academic accommodations based on a disability are required to register with Disability Service and Programs (DSP) each semester. A letter of verification for approved accommodations can be obtained from DSP when adequate documentation is filed. Please be sure the letter is delivered to me as early in the semester as possible. DSP is open Monday-Friday, 8:30 am - 5:00 pm. The office is in the Student Union 301 and the phone number is (213) 740-0776.

## **Statement on Academic Conduct and Support Systems**

### **Academic Conduct:**

Plagiarism – presenting someone else's ideas as your own, either verbatim or recast in your own words – is a serious academic offense with serious consequences. Please familiarize yourself with the discussion of plagiarism in SCampus in Part B, Section 11, "Behavior Violating University Standards" [policy.usc.edu/scampus-part-b](http://policy.usc.edu/scampus-part-b). Other forms of academic dishonesty are equally unacceptable. See additional information in SCampus and university policies on scientific misconduct, <http://policy.usc.edu/scientific-misconduct>.

### **Support Systems:**

Student Counseling Services (SCS) – (213) 740-7711 – 24/7 on call

Free and confidential mental health treatment for students, including short-term psychotherapy, group counseling, stress fitness workshops, and crisis intervention. [engemannshc.usc.edu/counseling](http://engemannshc.usc.edu/counseling)

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline – 1 (800) 273-8255

Provides free and confidential emotional support to people in suicidal crisis or emotional distress 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. [www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org](http://www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org)

Relationship and Sexual Violence Prevention Services (RSVP) – (213) 740-4900 – 24/7 on call

Free and confidential therapy services, workshops, and training for situations related to gender-based harm. [engemannshc.usc.edu/rsvp](http://engemannshc.usc.edu/rsvp)

Sexual Assault Resource Center

For more information about how to get help or help a survivor, rights, reporting options, and additional resources, visit the website: [sarc.usc.edu](http://sarc.usc.edu)

Office of Equity and Diversity (OED)/Title IX Compliance – (213) 740-5086 Works with faculty, staff, visitors, applicants, and students around issues of protected class. [equity.usc.edu](http://equity.usc.edu)

Bias Assessment Response and Support

Incidents of bias, hate crimes and microaggressions need to be reported allowing for appropriate investigation and response. [studentaffairs.usc.edu/bias-assessment-response-support](http://studentaffairs.usc.edu/bias-assessment-response-support)

The Office of Disability Services and Programs Provides certification for students with disabilities and helps arrange relevant accommodations. [dsp.usc.edu](http://dsp.usc.edu)

Student Support and Advocacy – (213) 821-4710

Assists students and families in resolving complex issues adversely affecting their success as a student EX: personal, financial, and academic. [studentaffairs.usc.edu/ssa](http://studentaffairs.usc.edu/ssa)

Diversity at USC

Information on events, programs and training, the Diversity Task Force (including representatives for each school), chronology, participation, and various resources for students. [diversity.usc.edu](http://diversity.usc.edu)

#### USC Emergency Information

Provides safety and other updates, including ways in which instruction will be continued if an officially declared emergency makes travel to campus infeasible. [emergency.usc.edu](http://emergency.usc.edu)

USC Department of Public Safety – UPC: (213) 740-4321 – HSC: (323) 442-1000 – 24-hour emergency or to report a crime. Provides overall safety to USC community. [dps.usc.edu](http://dps.usc.edu)