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Course Code: Title	GAS101: RITUALS IDOLS AND CONTROVERSIES IN SPORT		
Program Number: Name	:		
Department:	GENERAL ARTS & SCIENCE		
Semester/Term:	17F		
Course Description:	This course gives students the opportunity to examine the many rituals, idols, and controversies surrounding the world of sports. Students will debate, discuss, and present a variety of popular topics in sports such as athlete salaries, performance-enhancing drugs and athlete product endorsement. This course will explore the impact these issues have on social and cultural aspects of human behaviour.		
Total Credits:	3		
Hours/Week:	3		
Total Hours:	45		
Essential Employability Skills (EES):	 #1. Communicate clearly, concisely and correctly in the written, spoken, and visual form that fulfills the purpose and meets the needs of the audience. #2. Respond to written, spoken, or visual messages in a manner that ensures effective communication. #6. Locate, select, organize, and document information using appropriate technology and information systems. #7. Analyze, evaluate, and apply relevant information from a variety of sources. #8. Show respect for the diverse opinions, values, belief systems, and contributions of others. #9. Interact with others in groups or teams that contribute to effective working relationships and the achievement of goals. #10. Manage the use of time and other resources to complete projects. #11. Take responsibility for ones own actions, decisions, and consequences. 		
General Education Themes:			
	Personal Understanding		
Course Evaluation:	Passing Grade: 50%, D		
Evaluation Process and Grading System:	Evaluation Type Evaluation Weight		

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Film Analysis of Portrayal of Sports	30%
Group Debate on Controversy in Sports	30%
In-class Activities	20%
Presentation(s)/Research Report(s)	20%

Books and Required Resources:

No Text is Required

Course Outcomes and Learning Objectives:

Course Outcome 1.

Describe common rituals that exist in sports and examine their impact on society and human behaviour.

Learning Objectives 1.

- · Define what is meant by the term rituals in sports
- Identify and list rituals that commonly occur in a range of professional sports
- · Examine the impact rituals have on the player's and team's game and pregame mentality
- · Assess the impacts that rituals in sports have on society

Course Outcome 2.

Identify idols in professional sports and their influence on society.

Learning Objectives 2.

- · Define what the term idol means to the individual
- · Identify popular idols in sports and discuss what identifies them as an idol
- Analyze the impact idols have on the sport and society
- · Examine the idol's role in society and the sport itself

Course Outcome 3.

Examine and assess the various controversies that surround the world of sports and their impacts on societv.

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Learning Objectives 3.

 Identify the common controversies that exist in the world of professional sports and their impact on the sport and society

- · Evaluate the controversies and apply critical thinking skills to current issues
- · Formulate researched arguments about ethical dilemmas in sports

Course Outcome 4.

Examine the role of the media and film in portraying rituals, idols and controversies in sports.

Learning Objectives 4.

• Discuss the role of the media in dealing with rituals, idols and controversies in sports and its impact on the sport and fans

• Examine the role of film in dealing with the issues of rituals, idols and controversies in sports and its impact on the sport and society

Date:

Thursday, August 31, 2017

Please refer to the course outline addendum on the Learning Management System for further information.