

**SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, HUMAN PERFORMANCE AND RECREATION
COURSE SYLLABUS**

Department of: Health, Human Performance and Recreation
Title of Course: Sport Ethics

Course No: SM 340
New: Spring 2005

Department Approved: September 13, 2004
College Council Approved: October 6, 2004

I. Catalog Description and Credit Hours of Course:

Examination of ethical principles relating to sport-specific issues within the context of managing sport services. (3)

II. Prerequisite: PL 204

III. Course Objectives:

The student will:

- A. Compare concepts of moral reasoning.
- B. Apply theories of ethics to sport specific situations.
- C. Articulate codes of ethics for sport management professionals.
- D. Explain the rights and responsibilities of sport management professionals in relation to professional ethics.
- E. Develop personal and management values in sport settings and
- F. Prepare a personal philosophy of social responsibility in sport management.
- G. Identify potential ethical dilemmas facing sport participants and sport managers.
- H. Apply moral reasoning concepts to resolution of ethical dilemmas facing sport participants and sport managers.

IV. Expectations for students

The student will:

- A. Participate actively in class discussions.
- B. Complete course assignments and examinations.
- C. Uphold the University's academic honesty policy.

V. Course Outline/Learning Experiences:

Hours

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| A. | Historical review: Theories of ethics | 6 |
| | 1. Ethics driven by duty (Kant) | |
| | 2. Ethics driven by utility (Mill and Bentham) | |
| | 3. Ethics driven by rights (Locke) | |
| | 4. Ethics driven by virtue (Aristotle) | |
| B. | Concepts of moral reasoning | 9 |
| | 1. Kohlberg's theory of moral development | |
| | 2. Haan's model of interactional morality | |
| | 3. Rest's model of moral action | |

4.	Personalized process of moral reasoning	
a.	Moral values selection	
b.	Developing moral principles	
c.	Applying the principles to situations	
C.	Ethical & moral issues in sport participation	12
1.	Competition and sportsmanship	
2.	Violence in sport	
3.	Performance enhancing drugs	
4.	Building character through sport	
D.	Ethical & moral issues in sport management	9
1.	Ethical decision making in marketing sport	
2.	Social Responsibility in sport	
3.	Eligibility rules	
4.	Sport elimination	
5.	Hiring and retention of employees	
E.	Professional codes of ethics	3
1.	Officials & Coaches	
2.	Marketers	
3.	Managers	
4.	Athletic Directors	
5.	Agents	
F.	Development of personal code of ethics	6
1.	Personal values	
2.	Personal management philosophy	
3.	From values to decision making principles	
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		Total 45

VI. Textbook and Other Required Materials:

A. Textbook

Lumpkin, A., Stoll, S. K., and Beller, J. M. (2003) *Sport ethics: Applications for fair play*. (3rd Ed.) New York: McGraw-Hill.

B. Supporting Resources:

Simon, R. L. (2004). *Fair play: The ethics of sport*. (2nd ed.) Boulder, CO: Westview Press

DeSensi, J. and Rosenberg, D. (2003). *Ethics in sport management*. (2nd ed.) Morgantown, WV: Fitness Information Technology.

Morgan, W. J., Meier, K. V., & Schneider, A. J. (2001). *Ethics in sport*. Champaign, IL: Human Kinetics.

Shields, D. & Bredemeier, B. (1995) *Character development and physical activity*. Champaign, IL: Human Kinetics.

VI. Basis for Student Evaluation:

A.	Written Examinations	50 %
	Examination 1	25%
	Examination 2	25%
B.	Writing Assignments	50%
	1. Case Analysis Papers	25%
	2. Personal Philosophy Paper	25%
C.	Grading Scale	
	90-100% = A	
	80-89% = B	
	70-79% = C	
	60-69% = D	
	<60% = F	