

**PE 129 Karate and Self-defense
(Spring 2009, MWF 12:50 to 1:40 pm)**

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Catalog Description:

Introduction to the history, philosophy, and basic knowledge of karate, self-defense and martial arts in general. Students are introduced and taught with a variety of skills in karate, self-defense, and martial arts with an emphasis on self-discipline. These are to be accomplished by participating in lectures sessions, discussions, and a various exercise programs such as punching, kicking, blocking with emphasis on physical fitness, respect, and attitudes.

Course Objectives:

At the conclusion of the course, students will be able to:

1. Explain the definition of self-defense as it may be interpreted under the law and a philosophy that emphasizes avoidance of conflicts.
2. Explain the philosophy and history of karate.
3. Apply terminology and basic principles of karate.
4. Demonstrate basic skills such as punching, blocking, striking, and kicking.
5. Apply techniques such as release, grasp-re-grasp, and joint locks for self-defense and neutralization of an attack.
6. Improve personal health and fitness.
7. Demonstrate karate forms.
8. Explain a various perspectives on the sex assault avoidance.

Course Topics:

- A. Lectures: Class orientation, general introduction; history, legend, styles and development of modern karate; principles, philosophy, and fundamental knowledge of karate.
- B. Class Activity: Basic karate skills such as punching, blocking, kicking etc.; applications in self-defense; sparing; Shotokan Karate Kata (form).

Instructional Activities and Methodology:

A developmental and systematic approach will be employed for teaching this course. Students will be provided with a variety of lecture and practice sessions, and activities to improve their cognitive knowledge and motor skills.

Evaluation:

A. Skill Tests (35%) 350 points

Test 1: Step in punching face and stomach, step back rising block & outside-center block; front kick, step back downward block.	60
Test 2: Step back inside block, knife hand block, & side snap kick.	30
Test 3: Three-step sparing: punching stomach, face, and front snap kick; outside-center, rising, and downward block.	30
Test 4: Heian Shodan Kata (Form)	30
Test 5: Final Skill Test:	200

- a. Fundamental skills: five blocks , two punches (face and stomach), two kicks (front and side snap).
- b. Sparing: Three step sparing.
- c. Shotokan Karate Kata Form: Heian Shodan

B. Written Exams (35%) 350 points

First Written Exam:	100
Second Written Exam:	100
Third Written Exam:	100
(One of the lowest exams' grades will be dropped)	
Final Exam:	150

C. Participation and Motivation (30 %) 300 points

Students will earn **200 points** for their final grade if they do not miss more than **three (3)** classes.

Students will earn **100 points** if they are motivated and actively participating **all of the activities of the class** (it is my subjective evaluations to each student).

D. Grading Summary:

A=900 – 1000 B=800 – 890 C=700 – 790 D=600 – 690 F=0 – 590

Class Attendance Policy:

- A. You are expected to attend the class at the scheduled times, thus tardy and absence will be counted and considered for your final grade. **The Maximum three (3) classes (one-week class) will be allowed to be used for illness and emergencies. There are no UNEXCUSED absences in this class. It is strongly suggested that you communicate with me before or immediately after you have missed any class for any reasons you might have. I may or may not ask why you miss the class; it is your responsibility to initiate the communication with me and keep the record for each of your absence.**
- B. After 3 allowed absences, **each of the following absence will be panelized with a deduction of your participation's grade points. Five percent (5%) 50 points will be deduced for absence three to five (4-6). Ten per cent (10%)**

100 points will be deducted for number seven (7). After that, if one has eight (8) or more absences, one automatically fails the class.

- C. Religious Holidays approved by the college may be excused. However, you must inform me and seek approval in advance for each of the holidays. You may also be responsible to make up the missed classes if it is needed.
- D. Students are expected to come to the class on time. If you arrive after roll-call, you are late. You are allowed to be late for **two times without a penalty**. After two times, **10 points will automatically be deducted from each tardy**.
- E. Under the special circumstances, **I may give** opportunities to let a student to make up his/her absences if I consider the absences to be reasonable and the student has no control of the situations. For example, if you have to use your allowed two absences for illness and emergency legitimately, and you cannot help to miss more classes, in this case, **it is your responsibility to initiate the meeting with me and present to me the justifiable reasons and record for the missed classes**. I will discuss with you and make decision accordingly. **If such a meeting called upon by you and you are giving opportunities to make up those missed classes, you are responsible to give effort and make them up within certain period of time.**

Honor Code:

Oxford College considers any academic misconduct such as cheating of any form on a quiz, examination or homework to be a very serious offense. Any students not adhering to the honor code policy will be subject to likely consequences.

General Requirements and Information:

- A. **No cell phone**, food, drinks, or gum chewing is allowed in the class.
- B. Dress: Loose sportswear, t-shirts, shorts, sweat pants and so on are required and highly recommended. **No Jeans except Lecture time. Failure to wear proper Gym cloth may not be allowed to take part in the class and marked as an absence.**
- C. Try not to wear jewelry during classes and glasses worn should be secured.
- D. **Attention:** Class activities may include vigorous exercises. If you have any medical condition or physical problems to prevent you from full participation in such activity, it is your responsibility to inform me of its nature (e.g., weak knee joint, history fainting etc.). If you have a condition which would limit your potential for fulfilling the requirements of this class you should have your physician fax a letter immediately to me stating a) the nature of the limitation(s) and b) his/her suggestions for activities which would help you meet the requirements of this course.

Text Book: No textbook are required and I will give handouts. You are responsible to take notes.

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Karate and Self-Defense Calendar

W	Month	Day	Activities
1	January 14	W	Introduction
	16	F	Skill preparation
2	19	M	MLK Jr Day
	21	W	Skill practice
	23	F	Skill practice
3	26	M	Skill practice
	28	W	Lecture
	30	F	Skill practice
4	February 2	M	Skill practice
	4	W	Lecture
	6	F	First Written Exam
5	9	M	Skill practice
	11	W	Skill practice
	13	F	Skill Test 1 and Skill practice
6	16	M	Skill practice
	18	W	Lecture
	20	F	Skill practice
7	23	M	Skill practice
	25	W	Go over First Written Exam and Lecture
	27	F	Skill practice
8	March 2	M	Skill practice
	4	W	Second Written Exam
	6	F	Skill Test 2
9	9	M	Spring Break-No class
10	16	M	Skill practice
	18	W	Go over Exam 2 and Lecture
	20	F	Skill practice
11	23	M	Skill practice
	25	W	Lecture
	27	F	Skill practice
12	30	M	Skill practice
	April 1	W	Lecture
	3	F	Skill Test 3
13	6	M	Skill practice
	8	W	Third Written Exam
	10	F	Skill practice
14	13	M	Skill practice
	15	W	Final Exam Reviewing
	17	F	Skill Test 4
15	20	M	Final Skill Test Review
	22	W	Final Skill Test
	24	F	Final Exam Review
16	27	M	Final Exam

All dates and activities are subject to change. Instructor will give proper notice of such change(s).