

# KNEA 275 – Beginning Tennis

## Course Syllabus

**Statement :** (1,2,2) For the student who has little or no experience in tennis. Emphasis on basic skills and knowledge.

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**Required Text:** Gould, Dick (2000). Tennis, Anyone? 6<sup>th</sup> Ed., Mayfield Publishing Company

### Other Requirements:

1. Dress appropriately for class each day. Inappropriate attire includes jeans, dress clothes, boots, sandals, blouses, no shirt or any offensive attire.
2. Wear socks and rubber sole tennis shoe that gives support and comfort.
3. Bring two (2) cans of new, unopened tennis balls within the first two weeks of school. Avoid buying multi-colored balls.
4. Bring your own tennis racquet, if possible. Racquets may be checked out at the Intramural Office.
5. Student must have active UL Lafayette e-mail address and access to blackboard. Students without a UL Lafayette e-mail account must go to Stephens Hall on campus to set up account.
6. No smoking or alcohol permitted during class time.

### Objectives:

1. Demonstrate skills appropriate to beginning level of play.
2. Demonstrate a knowledge of history, rules, terminology, etiquette, basic strategy, basic strokes, equipment.
3. Have acquired an understanding and appreciation of his/her personal abilities and limitations in relation to the potential of other members of the class.

### Grading Scale:

100-89.5 =A  
89.4-79.5=B  
79.4-69.5=C  
69.4-59.5=D  
59.4 =F

1) Participation Grade = 150 points  
2) Skills Tests = 100 points  
3) Written Tests = (2x50 points)

## **Attendance:**

This course is designed around participation. Attendance will be taken at each class meeting. You will be allowed two absences (excused or unexcused) after which, 8 **points** will be deducted **per absence** from your participation grade.

You will be expected to make up all missed assignments, skills tests, and/or written tests the day you return to class. Excused absences are allowed as per UL Lafayette absence/attendance policy found in your catalog. I expect a phone call or e-mail in regards to your situation as soon as circumstances allow.

Deductions from your participation grade can also be made for inappropriate or unsportsmanlike behavior.

## **Topics To Be Covered:**

1. Skills- forehand, backhand,serve,volley.
2. Knowledge – rules and scoring,etiquette, terminology,basic court strategy.
3. Drills
  - Ground Strokes(drop and hit into wall/fence, hit from partner/teacher toss, hit to targets.)
  - Serve(toss accuracy, toss and hit to fence/wall, serve from service line to base line, serve and return)
  - Volley(hit from partner/teacher toss or hit)