I. **Course Description**  
(1132.001, Fitness Walking) Instruction and practice of fitness walking.

II. **Rationale**  
Emphasizes body mechanics and identifies concepts so the student may have a lifetime of walking enjoyment. It involves weekly goal setting incentives and focuses on a variety of walking experiences for fun and cardiovascular improvement.

III. **State Adopted Proficiencies for Teachers and/or Administrators/Counselors**  
A. **Learner-Centered Knowledge**: The teacher possesses and draws on a rich knowledge base of content, pedagogy, and technology to provide relevant and meaningful learning experiences for all students.

B. **Learner-Centered Instruction**: To create a learner-centered community, the teacher collaboratively identifies needs; and plans, implements and assesses instruction using technology and other resources.

C. **Equity in Excellence for all Learners**: The teacher responds appropriately to diverse groups of learners.

D. **Learner-Centered Communication**: While acting as an advocate for all students and the school, the teacher demonstrates effective professional and interpersonal communication skills.

E. **Learner-Centered Professional Development**: The teacher, as a reflective practitioner dedicated to all students’ success, demonstrates a commitment to learn, to improve the profession and to maintain ethics and personal integrity.

IV. **TExES Competencies (if applicable)**  
A. TExES Competencies  
Physical Education (EC-12)

Domain I – Movement Skills and Knowledge

Competency 001 – The teacher understands and applies principles of motor development and motor learning.

Competency 002 – The teacher understands principles and practices for developing, combining and integrating motor skills.

Competency 003 – The teacher understands and applies knowledge of movement concepts and biomechanical principles.
Competency 004 – The teacher understands and applies knowledge of individual, dual and team sports and activities.

Competency 005 – The teacher understands principles, techniques, skills and safety practices for dance, personal performance activities, cooperative and nontraditional games, recreational activities and outdoor pursuits.

Domain II – Health Related Physical Fitness
Competency 006 – The teacher understands major body systems, principles of physical fitness development and training and the benefits of a healthy, active lifestyle.

Competency 007 – The teacher understands principles and activities for developing and maintaining cardiovascular endurance.

Competency 008 – The teacher understands principles and activities for developing and maintaining flexibility, posture, and muscular strength and endurance.

Competency 009 – The teacher understands health and wellness concepts, including those related to nutrition, weight control and stress management and analyzes ways in which personal behaviors influence health and wellness.

Domain III – The Physical Education Program
Competency 010 – The teacher knows how to use effective, developmentally appropriate instruction and assessment to prepare physically educated individuals.

Competency 011 – The teacher understands factors relevant to learning and performance in physical education and uses this knowledge to create learning environments and opportunities that promote students’ development in various domains (e.g., cognitive, social, emotional).

Competency 012 – The teacher understands the structure, organization, goals and purposes of physical education programs.

Competency 013 – The teacher understands legal issues and responsibilities of physical education teachers in relation to supervision, planning and instruction, safety, first aid and risk management.

B. National Competencies & Proficiencies for Athletic Training (CAATE 4th Ed)
Risk Management:
Proficiencies instructed:
RM-P3 – Instruct a patient regarding exercises and the use of weight training equipment to include correction or modification of inappropriate, unsafe or dangerous lifting techniques.

V. Course Objectives/Student Learning Outcomes
This course is designed to enable students to:

A. BS Kinesiology EC-12 Kinesiology
   1. Knowledge of movement skills
   2. Knowledge of health-related physical fitness

B. BS Kinesiology Exercise Science
   1. Knowledge of fitness and exercise
   2. Knowledge of anatomy and physiology

C. BS Kinesiology Pre-PT/OT
   1. Knowledge of fitness and exercise

COURSE OBJECTIVES
This course is designed to enable students to:

A. Demonstrate an understanding of the principles of exercise and components of fitness (Proficiencies 1-5; Professional Development 02-Elementary and 03 Competencies 001-010 Domain I; 011-012 Domain III).

B. Demonstrate an understanding of basic human anatomy, biomechanics, and systems of the body (Proficiencies 1-5; Physical Education 09-all level Competencies 001-003Domain I; 005 Domain II; 008-011 Domain III)

VI. Course Topics
The major topics to be considered are:

A. Components of fitness
B. Exercise principles
C. Systems of the body
D. Basic human anatomy and biomechanics
E. Basic nutrition

VII. Instructional Methods and Activities
(Methods and activities should be correlated with objectives/outcomes)

Methods and activities for instruction include:

A. Traditional Experiences (lecture/discussion; demonstration; drill; participation; video)

VIII. Evaluation and Grade Assignment
The methods of evaluation and the criteria for grade assignment are:

Hands-on demonstration and some traditional lecture are possible.

1. Attendance and participation 100 points
2. 3 Week Fitness Walking Program 25 points

Total 125 points
A. Methods and Percentage of Final Course Grade Each Assessment Constitutes

1. Pre-fitness testing  25 points
2. Post-fitness testing  25 points
3. Mid Term  50 points
4. Final exam  50 points
Total  150 points

B. Grading Scale

90-100%  = A
80- 89%  = B
70- 79%  = C
60- 69%  = D
Below 60%  = F

IX. Course Schedule and Policies
A. Course Schedule

(Please be aware these activities are subject to change)

8/28  Syllabus Review and Introduction to Class/Facilities
9/2   2 Mile Track Walk/Jog
9/4   Fitness Testing (Pre)
9/9   Dynamic Warm-ups & Static Stretching
9/11  Stair/Track Walk
9/16  Campus Walk – 45 mins
9/18  40/20 Bike – 45 mins
9/23  Hike and Bike Trail
9/25  Stripes Walk
9/30  Cardio Interval Training (Indoor Track)
10/2  Circuit Training
10/7  Mid-Term (3 miles: <40 mins)
10/9  Free Walk
10/14 Bike, Treadmill, & Elliptical Challenge
10/16 Basketball
10/21 Free Walk / Design 3 Week Fitness Walking Program
10/23 Turn in Fitness Walking Program / Free Walk
10/28 3 Mile Walk/Jog
10/30 Stair Walk
11/4-11/20 Follow 3-Week FW Program
11/25 Fitness Testing (Post)
11/27 Free Walk
12/2 Final Exam

B. Class Policies
1. **Attendance/Tardiness**
   Attendance **is required and expected**. Unexcused absences will result in a deduction of two (2) points per absence from your Attendance grade. *(Example 5 absences = 10 points lost.)* Excused absences are permitted only if Instructor is notified a minimum of 24 hours prior to foreseen absence, via email or phone call. **Class** begins promptly at **9:30 am**. Please do not come to my class late. However if you arrive within ten minutes of the class starting time do so in an appropriate and polite manner. **Students arriving after the ten-minute window will be allowed to participate; however, an unexcused absence will be deducted.**
   **Exercise** is a major part of this class, proper attire will be required on activity days (gym shoes, athletic shorts/sweat pants, and a t-shirt). Not participating in class activities will constitute an unexcused absence.

2. **Late Work and Make-Up Exams**
   You are responsible for the material covered in class regardless if your absence is excused or not. Late Work will be allowed to be turned in before the end of the next class; however, will only receive a maximum grade of 80 percent. Make-Up Exams will be discussed with instructor.

3. **EXTRA CREDIT**
   From the list below, up to 3 extra credit opportunities can be applied at any time during the semester. **Proof of extra credit must be provided according to the following guidelines for each opportunity.**
   1. **Appointment with the Writing Center**
      The writing center staff member who meets with the student must email the instructor stating that they have completed a session within 10 days of appointment.
   2. **Attend an ENTIRE athletic event**
      Student must email the instructor a photograph of them self at the event as well as two additional photos, which must show the score, board at both the beginning and end of regulation. Does not apply to students that are required to work game!
   3. **Group fitness class at Dugan Wellness Center**
      Documentation must include:
      1) Type of workout or class
      2) Length of workout or class
      3) Date and signature of instructor or DWC attendant
      4. **Participate in 5k Fun Run or greater**
      Student must show proof via runner number or photograph of self at race. Race must be >5k. The instructor will provide students with various opportunities.
   4. **Cell phones** are not to be used in class and must be either turned off or set
to vibrate during class

5. **Academic Integrity/Plagiarism.**

University students are expected to conduct themselves in accordance with the highest standards of academic honesty. Academic misconduct for which a student is subject to penalty includes all forms of cheating, such as illicit possession of examinations or examination materials, falsification, forgery, complicity or plagiarism. (Plagiarism is the presentation of the work of another as one’s own work.)

Disciplinary action for academic misconduct is the responsibility of the faculty member assigned to the course. The faculty member is charged with assessing the gravity of any case of academic dishonesty, and with giving sanction to any student involved.

Penalties that may be applied to individual cases of academic dishonesty include one or more of the following:

1. Written reprimand.
2. Requirement to re-do work in question.
3. Requirement to submit additional work.
4. Lowering of grade on work in question;
5. Assigning grade of ‘F’ to work in question;
6. Assigning grade of ‘F’ for course;
7. Recommendation for more severe punishment, such as dismissal from the program or from the University.

See the University Catalog for more information.

**Dropping a Class**

I hope that you never find it necessary to drop this or any other class. However, events can sometimes occur that make dropping a course necessary or wise. Please consult with me before you decide to drop to be sure it is the best thing to do. Should dropping the course be the best course of action, you must initiate the process to drop the course by going to the Student Services Center and filling out a course drop form. Just stopping attendance and participation WILL NOT automatically result in your being dropped from the class. (11/07/2014) is the last day to drop a class with an automatic grade of “W” this term.

**Preferred methods of scholarly citations**

**Classroom/professional behavior**

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, as an academic community, requires that each individual respect the needs of others to study and learn in a peaceful atmosphere. Under Article III of the Student Code of Conduct, classroom behavior that interferes with either (a) the instructor’s ability to conduct the class or (b) the ability of other students to profit from the instructional program may be considered a breach of the peace and is subject to disciplinary sanction outlined in article VII of the Student Code of Conduct. Students engaging in unacceptable behavior may be instructed to leave the classroom. This prohibition applies to all instructional forums, including classrooms, electronic classrooms, labs, discussion groups, field trips, etc.
Statement of Civility (can be in place of classroom/professional behavior)
Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi has a diverse student population that represents the population of the state. Our goal is to provide you with a high quality educational experience that is free from repression. You are responsible for following the rules of the University, city, state and federal government. We expect that you will behave in a manner that is dignified, respectful and courteous to all people, regardless of sex, ethnic/racial origin, religious background, sexual orientation or disability. Behaviors that infringe on the rights of another individual will not be tolerated.

Grade Appeals
As stated in University Procedure 13.02.99.C2.01, Student Grade Appeal Procedures, a student who believes that he or she has not been held to appropriate academic standards as outlined in the class syllabus, equitable evaluation procedures, or appropriate grading, may appeal the final grade given in the course. The burden of proof is upon the student to demonstrate the appropriateness of the appeal. A student with a complaint about a grade is encouraged to first discuss the matter with the instructor. For complete details, including the responsibilities of the parties involved in the process and the number of days allowed for completing the steps in the process, see University Procedure 13.02.99.C2.01, Student Grade Appeal Procedures. These documents are accessible through the University Rules Web site at http://www.tamucc.edu/provost/university_rules/index.html. For assistance and/or guidance in the grade appeal process, students may contact the Dean’s office in the college in which the course is taught or the Office of the Provost.

Disabilities Accommodations
The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is a federal anti-discrimination statute that provides comprehensive civil rights protection for persons with disabilities. Among other things, this legislation requires that all students with disabilities be guaranteed a learning environment that provides for reasonable accommodation of their disabilities. If you believe you have a disability requiring an accommodation, please call or visit Disability Services at (361) 825-5816 in Corpus Christi Hall 116.

If you are a returning veteran and are experiencing cognitive and/or physical access issues in the classroom or on campus, please contact the Disability Services office for assistance at (361) 825-5816.

Statement of Academic Continuity
In the event of an unforeseen adverse event, such as a major hurricane and classes could not be held on the campus of Texas A&M University–Corpus Christi; this course would continue through the use of Blackboard and/or email. In addition, the syllabus and class activities may be modified to allow continuation of the course. Ideally, University facilities (i.e., emails, web sites, and Blackboard) will be operational within two days of the closing of the physical campus. However, students need to make certain that the course instructor has a primary and a secondary means of contacting each student.

X. Required or Recommended Readings
Textbook: N/A

Recommended or Supplemental Reading:

Website: (N/A)

XI. Bibliography
The knowledge bases that support course content and procedures include: N/A

XII. List of Supplies
(N/A)