

# **HESC3504**

# Physical Activity and Health

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#### 2. Course Information

Units of credit: 6 UOC

**Pre-requisite(s):** HESC1511 Exercise Programs and Behaviour

**HESC2501 Exercise Physiology** 

HESC3511 Health, Exercise and Sport Psychology

#### Teaching times and locations:

Lectures: Online access asynchronous

Lectures will be available for the following week on a Thursday afternoon of the week prior. Students are to access and listen to lectures prior to attending scheduled laboratory class.

Tutorials: Tuesday 12.00pm - 1.00pm, 4.00 - 5.00pm and 5.00 - 6.00pm

Thursday 12.00pm - 1.00pm (Weeks 1 - 4 only)

Laboratories: 3 hours per week, please attend class as per allocated laboratory time

#### 2.1 Course summary

The focus of this course is on the effects of exercise on apparently healthy populations and those with increased cardiovascular risk across the lifespan. Psychological aspects of exercise, including the application of behaviour change and self-management strategies, comprise a significant component of this course. The literature addressing the impact of physical activity on cardiovascular risk reduction and the prevention of disease will be discussed in detail through examining the mechanisms by which exercise alters metabolic, vascular, muscular and cognitive function, both chronically and acutely. Health-based screening and intervention techniques (including basic nutrition assessments) will be applied with students undertaking a supervised lifestyle change project.

#### 2.2 Course aims

On completion of this subject, students will be able to:

- 1. Discuss key models explaining why people do (or do not) exercise and how it affects health.
- 2. Describe the effects of regular physical activity on a variety of physical and psychological health variables.
- 3. Demonstrate an understanding of the need for primary prevention in the health care model.
- 4. Apply this understanding of primary prevention in designing and implementing a four-week lifestyle change program (including addressing diet, exercise, physical activity and sedentary behaviour) to reduce/improve cardiovascular risk in an apparently healthy adult.

#### 2.3 Course learning outcomes (CLO)

On completion of this subject students should be able to:

- 1. Identify risk factors associated with sedentary lifestyles and metabolic dysfunction and explain the role of sedentary behaviour and physical activity in the aetiology, prevention and management of lifestyle-related chronic diseases namely obesity, metabolic syndrome and cardiovascular disease.
- 2. Select, develop and conduct a range of health assessments and screening tests that are safe, and effective for individuals with different levels of cardiovascular risk.
- 3. Record, analyse and interpret information from assessments and convey the results, including the accuracy and limitations of the assessments or exercise program, through relevant verbal and/or written communication with the client or involved professional.
- 4. Demonstrate basic knowledge of dietary assessment and a healthy food intake and use this to provide dietary recommendations to adults with different levels of cardiovascular risk.
- 5. Apply best-practice principles to design, implement and interpret results of a supervised lifestyle change program for individuals with different levels of cardiovascular risk.

# 2.4 Relationship between course and program learning outcomes and assessments

Course Learning Outcome (CLO)	LO Statement	Related Tasks & Assessment
CLO 1	Identify risk factors associated with sedentary lifestyles and metabolic dysfunction and explain the role of sedentary behaviour and physical activity	Assessment Tasks 1, 3, 4
CL0 2	Select, develop and conduct a range of health assessments and screening tests	Assessment Tasks 2, 4
CLO 3	Record, analyse and interpret information from assessments and convey the results, including the accuracy and limitations of the assessments or exercise program	Assessment Tasks 1, 2, 3, 4
CLO 4	Demonstrate basic knowledge of dietary assessment and a healthy food intake and use this to provide dietary recommendations	Assessment Tasks 1, 2, 4
CLO 5	Apply best-practice principles to design, implement and interpret results of a supervised lifestyle change program	Assessment Tasks 2, 3, 4

# 3. Strategies and approaches to learning

#### 3.1 Learning and teaching activities

Lectures – Lectures will provide you with the concepts and theory essential for understanding how regular physical activity impacts on health. In the lectures the aetiology of lifestyle cardiovascular conditions will be outlined and a description of the effects of exercise on risk factors will be given. Lectures will examine the current research regarding exercise and nutritional interventions for reducing cardiovascular risk and improving health. Lectures are pre-recorded and will be made available online for you to complete in your own time. Please check the timetable carefully. These lectures are designed to assist you in the weeks learning. Please ensure you have watched the lectures prior to your scheduled tutorial and laboratory time to ensure you are prepared for class.

Laboratories – To assist in the development of practical skills in assessing health and fitness and implementing lifestyle change, practical laboratories will be held in all weeks except weeks 3 and 6. These classes allow students to engage in a more interactive form of learning than is possible in the lectures. The skills you will learn in the laboratory classes and in your involvement in planning and implementing a lifestyle change program are relevant to your development as professional exercise physiologists. From week 4 you will use your timetabled sessions to complete your Lifestyle Change Project on your client. In these sessions, under the supervision of an AEP, students will conduct a lifestyle and fitness assessment on their client, and then design and implement a lifestyle change health and exercise program. This will involve interviewing the client, then administering health and fitness assessments appropriate to the client's needs. See the assessment task section following for more detail. To assist with developing professional skills, students will be randomly allocated another student in the class as their client. Allocation will be blinded. If any issues arise regarding client allocation, these may be resolved through discussion with your class tutor.

**Tutorials** – To assist in the development of skills related to designing and implementing an exercise and lifestyle change program, 4 case study tutorials will occur from week 1 through to week 4. Across these tutorials we will review 2 case studies from initial assessment through to final report. The first case study will be presented in weeks 1 and 2, the second in weeks 3 and 4. These classes will help to provide students with skills required to complete the lifestyle change project. It is also an opportunity to discuss the assignment further and have any questions answered.

#### 3.2 Expectations of students

Students are reminded that UNSW recommends that a 6 units-of-credit course should involve about 150 hours of study and learning activities. The formal learning activities total approximately 50 hours throughout the term and students are expected (and strongly recommended) to do at least the same number of hours of additional study.

# 4. Course schedule and structure

Week: Date	Lecture 1 Online Access	Lecture 2 Online Access	Weekly Quiz <b>Online</b>	Laboratories Level 1 – Ex Phys Teaching Gym	Tutorials As per timetable	Lifestyle Change Project Milestone (To be completed)
1: May 29	Intro to HESC3504  How to deliver an AEP service?  How to complete a pre-exercise screen*?	How to screen for CV risk?  How to risk stratify your client?	Quiz 1	Assignment review/ health + pre- exercise screening	Case Study 1a	Client allocation & prep subjective assessment
2: Jun 5	AHA Life's Essential 8 <sup>©</sup> How to complete a diet analysis*?	How to complete a fitness assessment*?  How to write a needs assessment?	Quiz 2	Diet analysis and objective fitness assessments	Case Study 1b	Develop health & pre- ex screening
3: Jun 12	How to set SMART goals? How to write an exercise program*?	How to write SOAP notes?  How to write a GP report?	Quiz 3	No Labs due to Public Holiday Use time to prep for next week	Case Study 2a	Prepare objective assessment forms
4: Jun 19	What is sedentary behaviour? How to reduce sedentary behaviour?	What is physical activity and why do it? How to increase physical activity?	Quiz 4	<u>Client</u> Initial health, pre-exercise screening & diet analysis	Case Study 2b	Pre-screening, needs & goal setting
5: Jun 26	Techniques in how to change behaviour modules (Dr Kemi Wright)		Quiz 5	<u>Client</u> initial fitness assessment, goal setting & plan to ↑ PA & ↓ SB		Goal setting, PA/SB & fitness assessments
6: Jul 3		Flexibility Week (no new cont	ent)			Exercise programs
7: Jul 10	What is hypertension? How to prescribe exercise for hypertension?	What is dyspilidaemia? How to prescribe exercise for dyslipidaemia?	Quiz 6	<u>Client</u> exercise programming		Exercise program assessment and first training session
8: Jul 17	What is impaired fasting glucose?  How to prescribe exercise for impaired fasting glucose?	What is overweight/obesity?  How to prescribe exercise for overweight/obesity?	Quiz 7	<u>Client</u> exercise training		Training session assessment
9: Jul 24	Exercise & heathy aging modules (Dr Nattai Borges)		Quiz 8	Client final health & fitness assessments		Health & fitness test assessment
10: Jul 31	What is metabolic syndrome?  How to prescribe exercise for metabolic syndrome?	How to complete a client case defense Q & A	Quiz 9 Case Study	<u>Client</u> case defense		Overall oral client case defense assessment
	Behavi	iour Change Assignment due Monday 31st Ju	ly at 9.00am	via Turnitin on Moodle		

STUDY WEEK

Final Exam Period 11th August to 24th August 2023

Supplementary Exam Period 4<sup>th</sup> September to 8<sup>th</sup> September

<sup>\*</sup>Lectures are review lectures of information previously taught in the exercise physiology degree

5. Assessment		
5.1 Assessment tasks		
Summary of Assessments	Weight	<u>Due</u>
Assessment Task 1 – Online Quizzes & Case Study	10%	Weekly
Assessment Task 2 – Lifestyle Change Project (LCP)		
<ul> <li>a) Initial health, pre-exercise screening &amp; diet analysis</li> <li>b) Exercise programming</li> <li>c) Clinical skills assessments (Training &amp; Assessments)</li> <li>d) Lifestyle Change Project Oral case defense</li> </ul>	5% 10% 10% 10%	Week 4 Week 7 Week 8, 9 Week 10
Assessment Task 3 – Behaviour change assignment	20%	Week 10
Assessment Task 4 – Final examination	35%	Exam period

#### Assessment Task 1: Online Quizzes and Case Study (10%)

This quiz on Moodle will be conducted each week and will test your understanding and practical application of concepts covered during the weekly lectures. The format will be 5 multiple choice questions. The quiz is designed to help you identify key concepts and should aid your project design and study for your final exam.

The quiz will open on Thursday afternoon at 4.00pm of each week and should be completed by midnight on the Sunday of each week.

#### In total the 8 quizzes during weeks 1 to 8 are worth 5% towards your final grade.

On Monday 31st July, **Week 10**, you will be given access to a link that will open a case study (quiz 9) on a patient with metabolic syndrome.

You are required to complete this case study online by **5.00pm Friday 4<sup>th</sup> August**.

Your results from this case study will contribute to 5% of your overall mark.

#### Assessment Task 2: Lifestyle Change Project (35%)

#### Note: All assessments will be due in or conducted during lab class time

- a) Initial health, pre-exercise screening & diet analysis (Week 4)
- b) Exercise programming (Week 7)
- c) Clinical skills assessments: Exercise training (Week 8) & Fitness assessments (Week 9)
- d) Lifestyle Change Project Oral Case Defense (Week 10)

You will plan and implement a Lifestyle Change Project based on the individual needs of your client <u>who</u> <u>is another student from your class who has been randomly assigned to you</u>. Your client should be an apparently healthy adult. Clients who are deemed moderate cardiovascular risk maybe permitted after discussion with Dr Belinda Parmenter or Kelly McLeod. This permission to participate will depend on the potential participant's risk factors.

The project includes four pieces of assessment (a) Initial health, pre-exercise screening & diet analysis; (b) exercise programming; (c) 2 x clinical skills assessments and (b) a final oral case study defense. This project will give you 27 hours toward ESSA Exercise Science Accreditation.

\*\*\*You will be randomly allocated a client from your lab class during week 1. This allocation will be blinded. If you have any specific cultural, religious, or other requirements for your client, this will be accounted for. Please get in touch with A/Prof Belinda Parmenter on email at <a href="mailto:b.parmenter@unsw.edu.au">b.parmenter@unsw.edu.au</a> prior to your week 1 lab to discuss your needs\*\*\*

This assessment item will be marked in four phases during class time. Feedback and fine tuning of your project will be ongoing and provided throughout the term by your AEP demonstrators. Detailed marking criteria for each of the assessments are located at the end of this course outline. **Your client interactions will be supervised by qualified AEPs during your timetabled lab classes only.** 

#### Task 2a: Initial health, pre-exercise screening & diet analysis (Week 4) 5%

You will be allocated time in class during weeks 1 and 2, and then time at home in week 3 to prepare for this session. The session will cover the completion of your initial health & pre-exercise assessment screening, as well as taking a brief diet history on your client. Lectures and labs from weeks 1 and 2 will help you prepare for this. You will be given an allocated time to complete this consultation during your 2your lab time in week 4. Please see marking criteria on page 15 of this outline. Marks allocated to this piece of assessment are 5%.

#### Task 2b: Exercise programming (Week 7) 10%

You will spend time during your lab in week 5 developing your client goals, completing a needs assessment, writing an exercise program, and developing a plan for increasing physical activity and decreasing sedentary behaviour. During your week 5 lab we will provide you with feedback on your program and plan. In week 7 you will then be assessed on how you present your plan and deliver your exercise program to your client. We will assess you on the quality of your physical activity plan and exercise program and how they relate to your clients' goals and needs assessment. You will hand in a copy of your goals, needs assessment, physical activity plan and exercise program at the end of your session for your lab demonstrator to assess in more detail. All practical skills outlined in the skills checklist on page 20-21 will be marked as competent when these sessions are completed. Please see marking criteria on page 15 of this outline. Marks allocated to this piece of assessment are 10%.

#### Task 2c: Clinical skills assessments (Week 8 & 9) 10%

You should spend time in week 7 after your programming assessment to practice your skills for this assessment until you become competent (see skills checklist on page 19-20 of this outline).

<u>Week 8 Exercise training:</u> Your skills in training your client (supervising, motivating, monitoring, exercise execution, exercise appropriateness, progressions, and communication) will be assessed during week 8. Marks allocated to this assessment are 5%.

<u>Week 9 Final health & fitness assessment:</u> Your skills in performing your client's final fitness assessment (choice, administration and execution of tests, monitoring, organisation and professionalism) will be assessed during week 9. <u>We will observe you during your initial fitness testing in weeks 2 and 5 and provide you with feedback so you will know what skills you need to develop and improve upon for this assessment.</u> Please see marking criteria on page 15-16 and the clinical skills checklist on page 19-20 of this outline. Marks allocated to this piece of assessment are 5%.

All practical skills outlined in the skills checklist on page 19-20 will be marked as competent when these sessions are completed. If you are deemed not competent, you will be asked to repeat the skill until competency is achieved. Please do not worry if you are not deemed competent, as this is not a requirement to pass the course. It will mean however that you need to work on this competency during your clinical placements and future practical courses.

#### Task 2d: Client case study defense (Week 10) 10%

By the end of the term, you will have collected a lot of information on your client and learnt a lot about the results you achieved and the challenges you faced. As a part of the final summation of this project you will be allocated a time in class of no more than 10 minutes where you will be asked several questions about your overall lifestyle change program. Questions may include how you improved your client's incidental physical activity, reduced sedentary behaviour, what changes you made to your client's diet and why? Why did you choose the exercises you chose etc. During this defense you should be able to justify your exercise prescription and reflect on how you may have done things differently, now you have the benefit of hindsight. You will have 10 minutes to answer questions and defend your overall lifestyle change program, including the chosen fitness assessments and exercise program. Please see marking criteria on page 17 of this outline. Marks allocated to this assessment are 10%.

All other skills outlined in the skills checklist on page 19-20 will be marked as competent when this session is completed. If you are deemed not competent, you will be asked to repeat the skill until competency is achieved.

Note 1: You will make scheduled appointment times for your client's assessments, programming, training, and case study defense with your class demonstrator early in the term. These can be swapped with other students if all students agree.

Note 2: Each assessment task will be completed during class time, and you will be asked for copies of your screening forms, exercise program, physical activity plan for further assessment and feedback by lab demonstrators.

#### Assessment Task 3: Behaviour Change Assignment (20%) Due Week 10 Monday 31st July at 9am

This assignment is designed to allow you the opportunity to practice the challenging task of changing one's behaviour.

#### The Task:

- 1. Identify a problematic health or physical activity behaviour for your client in the Lifestyle Change Project. (If, for some reason, you're not able to choose one for your client, you can choose one for yourself instead).
- 2. Develop a specific plan for your client to help them change that problematic health or physical activity behaviour for the better. The approach you take to changing your client's behaviour should be based on one or more of the psychological theories/models of behaviour change you learnt in the lectures from week 5.
- 3. Help your client to implement your behavioural change plan and monitor their progress along the way.
- 4. Write up and submit a 2-page report detailing the experience by **Monday 31**st **July 9.00am** on Moodle. The Report: The report should be structured into the following sections:
- 1. <u>Background/rationale</u>: Identify the target behaviour. Justify why it was important to target that behaviour, why that particular behaviour was relevant to your client, and why changing that behaviour would improve their health. Refer to an appropriate psychological model to identify key factors that contribute to the client's current behaviour.
- 2. <u>Plan</u>: Outline your plan to change the target behaviour. This plan should be strongly linked to the psychological model you have chosen. Explain how your plan will address the key factors contributing to the current state of behaviour to change the behaviour. You should also base your plan around a goal setting theory covered in the lectures.

- 3. <u>Outcomes</u>: Describe how the behaviour was monitored, what was measured and how you defined success for your client. Be sure to provide evidence of data collected.
- 4. <u>Reflection</u>: Reflect upon the experience of the project. Did the client progress as expected, or did you have to make changes and adapt your plan along the way? Was the behaviour changed successfully? In hindsight, was the psychological model you chose an adequate theoretical framework? Comment on any challenges your client faced, and any insights you gained. What would you do differently next time?

Formatting: **This report has a strict TWO PAGE LIMIT**. Please use a font no smaller than size 12, and 1.5 line spacing. This limit is not including references or supplementary materials which are additional to the body of the assignment. Clearly structure your report according to the 4 sections identified above. Overall hint: Every section of the report must be strongly grounded in your chosen theoretical framework. Please refer to the marking criteria on page 18 of this course outline for further information.

#### Assessment Task 4: Final Exam (Scheduled Exam Period) 35%

This exam will be online during the scheduled exam week and will be multiple choice.

#### **Further information**

UNSW grading system: <a href="https://student.unsw.edu.au/grades">https://student.unsw.edu.au/grades</a>

UNSW assessment policy: https://student.unsw.edu.au/assessment

#### 5.2 Assessment criteria and standards

See Appendix for marking criteria for the Lifestyle Change Project and Behaviour Change Assignment.

#### 5.3 Submission of assessment tasks

#### **Late Submission**

Late submissions will be penalized at 5% per day capped at five days (120 hours). Students will not be permitted to submit their assessments after this date.

#### **Special Consideration**

If you experience a short-term event beyond your control (exceptional circumstances) that impacts your performance in a particular assessment task, you can apply for Special Considerations.

You must apply for Special Consideration **before** the start of your exam or due date for your assessment, except where your circumstances of illness or misadventure stop you from doing so.

If your circumstances stop you from applying before your exam or assessment due date, you must **apply** within 3 working days of the assessment, or the period covered by your supporting documentation.

More information can be found on the **Special Consideration website**.

#### 5.4 Feedback on assessment

Your weekly quizzes will be marked online, and you will receive your mark as soon as you have completed the quiz.

Feedback regarding the components of the Lifestyle Change Project are outlined above in the appropriate section.

Feedback regarding clinical skills will be ongoing throughout the semester. It is your responsibility to seek out feedback from your demonstrators and aim to improve over the course of the semester prior to the formal skills assessments in Week 9 and 10. You will receive feedback on your clinical skills assessment at the time.

# 6. Academic integrity, referencing and plagiarism

**Referencing** is a way of acknowledging the sources of information that you use to research your assignments. You need to provide a reference whenever you draw on someone else's words, ideas or research. Not referencing other people's work can constitute plagiarism.

Please use APA referencing style for this course.

Further information about referencing styles can be located at <a href="https://student.unsw.edu.au/referencing">https://student.unsw.edu.au/referencing</a>

**Academic integrity** is fundamental to success at university. Academic integrity can be defined as a commitment to six fundamental values in academic pursuits: honesty, trust, fairness, respect, responsibility and courage. At UNSW, this means that your work must be your own, and others' ideas should be appropriately acknowledged. If you don't follow these rules, plagiarism may be detected in your work.

Further information about academic integrity and plagiarism can be located at:

- The Current Students site <a href="https://student.unsw.edu.au/plagiarism">https://student.unsw.edu.au/plagiarism</a>, and
- The ELISE training site <a href="https://subjectguides.library.unsw.edu.au/elise">https://subjectguides.library.unsw.edu.au/elise</a>

The Conduct and Integrity Unit provides further resources to assist you to understand your conduct obligations as a student: <a href="https://student.unsw.edu.au/conduct">https://student.unsw.edu.au/conduct</a>.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> International Center for Academic Integrity, 'The Fundamental Values of Academic Integrity', T. Fishman (ed), Clemson University, 2013.

### 7. Readings and resources

See also: Learning Resources

#### **Computing Facilities**

There are computing facilities in Wallace Wurth, rooms G2, G4, 108 and 109. SERVE and FOODWORKS, along with VHI exercise kits have been downloaded for your use.

#### **Compulsory Textbook**

The below text will be available for purchase through the book shop. In addition, copies are available in the High Use section of the main library.

American College of Sports Medicine (2021) ACSM's Guidelines for Exercise Testing and Prescription, 11th Edition, Philadelphia, PA Wolters Kluwer

#### Print:

https://www.bookshop.unsw.edu.au/details.cgi?ITEMNO=9781975150181

https://unswbookshop.vitalsource.com/products/-v9781975150228

#### **Recommended Textbooks**

Each of the below texts will be available for purchase through the book shop. In addition, copies are available in the High Use section of the main library.

Coombes, JS. and Skinner, TL. (2022).ESSA's Student Manual for Health, Exercise and Sport Assessment. 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition. Chatswood, NSW. Elsevier.

Ehrman J.K., Gordon P.M., Visich P.S. and Keteyian S.J. (2013). Clinical Exercise Physiology. 3rd Edition. Champaign, IL. Human Kinetics. (This is the same text that HESC3541 recommends) Cameron, M., Selig, S., Hemphill, D. (2011) Clinical Exercise: A case-based approach. 3rd Ed. Chatswood, NSW. Elsevier.

#### **Suggested Email Memberships**

- 1. Harvard Healthbeat https://www.health.harvard.edu/healthbeat
- 2. American Heart Association Cardiovascular Daily <a href="http://professional.heart.org/professional/index.jsp">http://professional.heart.org/professional/index.jsp</a>

#### Suggested Readings Books available at Main Library:

- 1. Hardman, A., and Stensel, D. (2009) Physical activity and health: The evidence explained. 2nd Ed, Milton Park, Abingdon, Routledge.
- 2. Curt Lox, Kathleen A Martin, Kathleen Anne Ginis, Steven J Petruzzello (2010) The Psychology of Exercise: Integrating Theory and Practice. 3rd Ed., Scottsdale, Arizona: Holcomb Hathaway Publishers.

#### 8. Administrative matters

Student enquiries should be submitted via student portal <a href="https://portal.insight.unsw.edu.au/web-forms/">https://portal.insight.unsw.edu.au/web-forms/</a>

# 9. Additional support for students

- The Current Students Gateway: <a href="https://student.unsw.edu.au/">https://student.unsw.edu.au/</a>
- Academic Skills and Support: <a href="https://student.unsw.edu.au/academic-skills">https://student.unsw.edu.au/academic-skills</a>
- Student Wellbeing and Health <a href="https://www.student.unsw.edu.au/wellbeing">https://www.student.unsw.edu.au/wellbeing</a>
- UNSW IT Service Centre: <a href="https://www.myit.unsw.edu.au/services/students">https://www.myit.unsw.edu.au/services/students</a>
- UNSW Student Life Hub: https://student.unsw.edu.au/hub#main-content
- Student Support and Development: <a href="https://student.unsw.edu.au/support">https://student.unsw.edu.au/support</a>
- IT, eLearning and Apps: <a href="https://student.unsw.edu.au/elearning">https://student.unsw.edu.au/elearning</a>
- Student Support and Success Advisors: <a href="https://student.unsw.edu.au/advisors">https://student.unsw.edu.au/advisors</a>
- Equitable Learning Services (Formerly Disability Support Unit): <a href="https://student.unsw.edu.au/els">https://student.unsw.edu.au/els</a>
- Transitioning to Online Learning <a href="https://www.covid19studyonline.unsw.edu.au/">https://www.covid19studyonline.unsw.edu.au/</a>
- Guide to Online Study <a href="https://student.unsw.edu.au/online-study">https://student.unsw.edu.au/online-study</a>

# 10. Appendix A: Marking Criteria

# 10.1 Lifestyle Change Project Marking Criteria

# 2a Week 4 Initial health, pre-exercise screening & diet analysis (5%)

Assessment component	How do I achieve top marks?	Allocated marks
Strategic component	Choose and administer appropriate subjective pre-exercise screening tool for your client.	
	<ol> <li>Demonstrate ability to complete suitable pre-exercise risk stratification with correct interpretation of results that guide appropriate choice of fitness assessments.</li> </ol>	/5
	3. Choose and administer appropriate health & fitness assessments for your client.	
	4. Present the pre-exercise program fitness tests in an organized form that is easy to follow and record results and provide a copy for your lab demonstrator to keep at the end of your session.	
	<ol><li>Keep the form length to a minimum whilst still obtaining all the appropriate information needed from your client.</li></ol>	

#### 2b Week 7 Exercise Programming Assessment (10%)

Assessment component	How do I achieve top marks?	Allocated marks
Strategic component	The timing of the exercises is appropriately scheduled.	
	2. Provide an appropriate warm-up for each activity.	
	3. Provide exercises to address all aspects of the client's health	
	that need addressing, as well as to help them reach their goals.	/5
	4. Provide adequate advice on modification and/or progression	
	of the exercise program from an intensity, type or volume perspective.	
	5. Prescribe exercises that the client can easily manage without	
	putting them in any danger of injury.	
Professionalism	Arrange and deliver sessions professionally.	
	2. Remain professional in client instruction, interaction, and at all times during the session.	
	3. Dress appropriately in the UNSW clinical placement uniform.	/=
	4. The student is on time and well prepared.	/5
	5. Demonstrate ability to build rapport and develop a	
	comfortable relationship and suitable environment for	
	behaviour change counselling.	

#### 2c Week 8 Clinical Skills Exercise Training (5%)

Assessment component	How do I achieve top marks?	Allocated marks
Strategic component	<ol> <li>Timing/order of the exercises is appropriately scheduled.</li> <li>(E.g., Clients aren't up and down off the floor or taking shoes on and off and on again).</li> </ol>	
	2. Appropriate resting measures are taken prior to commencing exercise training (e.g., resting heart rate and blood pressure)	/2

	3.	There is an appropriate warm up for the program.	
	4.	Regular feedback, both motivational and correctional is	
		provided to the client.	
	5.	Adequate progression is provided to the client through their	
		program to ensure they are working hard enough.	
Education component	1.	Engagement and education are provided to the client about	
		the exercise training throughout the session. Example:	
		Appropriate RPE for training at home.	
	2.	Appropriate supervision of the client is provided, and the	/1
		student engages the client enthusiastically.	/ 1
	3.	Exercise technique and intensity monitoring is provided	
		throughout the entire training session.	
	4.	Empower your client to exercise at home safely, and promote	
		client self-management in the gym exercise setting e.g.	
		teaching client how to set up equipment, monitor their	
		effort/intensity, record their exercise training, provide	
		appropriate feedback to the EP.	
Professionalism	1.	Professional in client instruction, interaction, and conduct.	
	2.	Student is appropriately and professionally dressed in the	
		UNSW clinical uniform.	/2
	3.	The student is on time and well prepared.	
	4.	The student always addressed the client professionally.	

# 2c Week 9 Clinical Skills Final Health & Fitness Assessment (5%)

Assessment component	How do I achieve top marks?	Allocated marks
Strategic component	Timing/order of the assessments are appropriately	
	scheduled. The flow of the final interview and assessments	
	runs smoothly (E.g., Clients aren't up and down off the floor or	
	taking shoes on and off and on again).	/2
	2. Appropriate resting measures are taken prior to commencing	72
	exercise training (e.g., resting heart rate and blood pressure)	
	3. There is an appropriate warm up for the program.	
	4. Regular feedback, both motivational and correctional, is	
	provided to the client.	
	5. Adequate progression is provided to the client through their	
	program to ensure they are working hard enough.	
Education component	1. Engagement and education are provided to the client about	
	the exercise assessment results and how they can be used	
	for ongoing exercise training at home. Example: Appropriate	/1
	exercise training and RPE for training at home.	
	2. Appropriate supervision of the client is provided, and the	
	student engages the client enthusiastically.	
	3. Exercise technique and intensity monitoring is provided	
	throughout the entire training session.	
Professionalism	Professional in client instruction, interaction, and conduct.	
	2. The student is appropriately and professionally dressed in the	
	UNSW clinical uniform.	/2
	3. The student is on time and well prepared.	
	4. The student always addressed the client professionally.	

2d Week 10 Lifestyle Change Project Oral Case Defense (10%)

Assignment component	How do I achieve top marks?	Allocated marks
Pre-Exercise Screening	The choice of screening tools is justified appropriately.	/2
Dietary	Appropriate answers were provided to questions on food	10
Recommendations	recommendations for the client eating healthy for their heart.	/2
Fitness Testing	Fitness tests chosen were appropriate to the goals and	
	needs of the client and the student justified these well.	/2
Activities/Exercise Program	<ol> <li>The exercises address the needs and goals of the client and were appropriately justified.</li> <li>A clear rationale for each exercise prescribed in the program</li> </ol>	/2
	was provided.	
	<ol><li>The progression plans for the exercise program were appropriate and justified well.</li></ol>	
	4. At least 2 strategies to increase the client's PA and decrease the clients SB were provided and appropriate. This includes 1 strategy to Sit Less & Move More.	
Strategic & Education Component	The planned strategies for improving exercise and lifestyle are appropriate for the needs and goals of the client.	/2

#### **Case Study Defense Sample Questions:**

**Question 1**: What did you learn by completing the fitness assessments and writing the exercise program in the Lifestyle Change Project? Was it useful? How? What could you have done better?

**Question 2**: What did you learn when training your client in the Lifestyle Change Project? Was it useful? How? What could you have done better?

**Question 3**: What did you learn through completing your client's final assessment? How did the program work? Were your clients' goals met? What were its strengths and weaknesses? What could you have done better for your client? Do you have any future recommendations for your client?

Question 4: Discuss which skills you have acquired that you didn't expect to develop through this course?

Question 5: How will you take what you have learned in this course beyond this year?

# 10.2 Behaviour Change Assignment Marking Criteria (20%)

Assignment	How do I achieve top marks?	Allocated
Component		Marks
Background/Rationale	Justify the target behaviour.	
	2. Make reference to an appropriate psychological model	/1
	and use the model as a theoretical framework for	0
	developing your clients behavioural change plan.	
The Plan	1. Provide a clear description of the plan for change.	
	2. Make sure your plan matches the theoretical	/1
	framework you are working in.	0
	3. Use appropriate goal setting techniques in establishing	
	the plan.	
Outcomes	1. Clearly describe the outcomes of your project and how	
	your client's progress was monitored.	/1
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Reflection	Comment on the success of your project.	/1
	2. Link your experience of the project back to theoretical	/1 0
	framework you chose.	U
Presentation	1. The report should be well written, concise and easy to	/-
	read. There should be no spelling, grammatical or	/5
	typographical errors.	
	2. Graphics and/or tables should support the information	
	in the text.	
	3. The report should be 1.5 line spaced and appropriately	
	referenced.	
	4. Pages must be numbered.	
Effort	Put an honest effort into helping your client achieve	
	their goal and change their behaviour.	/5
	2. Show evidence of this effort.	

# 11. Appendix B: Clinical Skills Checklist

Skills Checklist for HESC3504 Physical Activity and Health Name \_\_\_\_\_\_zID \_\_\_\_\_AEP \_\_\_\_\_

		Competency Established							
Week	Skill	Date	Initial	Initial Ass.		Date	Re-A	SS.	Comment
			Yes	No	Comment	Date	Yes	No	Comment
1	Develop a comprehensive pre-exercise screening questionnaire								
1	Administer a comprehensive pre-exercise screening questionnaire including one of								
ı	the ESSA or ACSM risk stratification tools on another UNSW student								
1	Stratify cardiovascular risk according to commonly used tools (ESSA/ACSM)								
2	Understand and administer a body map to identify injuries or musculoskeletal								
	issues								
2	Measure height and body mass, and then establish body mass index (BMI)								
2	Know BMI values for overweight and obese classifications, with regard for ethnicity								
2	Perform waist circumference measurement and understand classification according								
_	to different ethnicities								
2	Know corresponding guidelines for increased cardiovascular risk according to waist								
	circumference								
2	Measure heart rate manually at rest and during exercise at radial pulse								
2	Measure blood pressure manually at rest and during exercise								
2	Perform safe and hygienic point-of-care tests for blood lipids (triglycerides, total								
	cholesterol) and blood glucose Understand different questionnaires that are used to estimate physical activity								
4	levels, and apply these to various individuals								
	Understand how to measure objective physical activity levels and the limitations								
4	associated with various devices								
	Complete the YMCA protocol on a cycle ergometer on another student monitoring								
2-4	HR, BP pre and post and HR, BP and RPE during exercise								
	Complete a sub-max treadmill test on another student monitoring HR, BP pre and								
2-4	post and HR, BP and RPE during exercise								
2-4	Complete a 6MW test on another student								
2-4	Complete a step-up strength assessment on another student								
2-4	Complete a squat strength assessment on another student								
2-4	Complete a lunge strength assessment on another student								
2-4	Complete a grip strength assessment on another student								
2-4	Complete a push up strength assessment on another student								
2-4	Complete a plank endurance and strength assessment on another student								
2-4	Complete a trunk flexor endurance assessment on another student								
2-4	Complete a lateral trunk flexor endurance assessment on another student								
2-4	Complete a 10RM strength assessment on another student								
2-4	Complete a 1RM strength assessment on another student			-			-		
3-5	Understand and develop SMART goals for clients in Lifestyle Change Project								

4	Administer a comprehensive pre-exercise screening questionnaire including one of the ESSA or ACSM risk stratification tools on a client for the UNSW Lifestyle Change Project (Client will be a student from your class)				
1-5	Understand and calculate cardiovascular risk scores in establish risk assessment tools for your lifestyle change program client (Framingham, ASCVD, etc.)				
4-5	Select a suitable aerobic fitness assessment from the YMCA, Trd and 6MW tests and perform it on the client for the Lifestyle Change Project				
4-5	Select either a 1RM or 10RM strength or functional assessment or combination of both RM and functional strength assessments from the above list and perform it on the client for the Lifestyle Change Project				
2-5	Perform a diet recall and dietary assessment and provide basic recommendations to your client for the Lifestyle Change Project				
7	Write an exercise program for your client for the lifestyle change project				
8	Perform an exercise training session under supervision in your timetabled lab on your client for the Lifestyle Change Project				
9	Complete the follow-up fitness and CV risk assessment on your client after the training program				