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## **Advanced Open Water – Spring 2026**

**PHED-1700-01**

**Lecture: Tuesday 6:00-8:00 pm**

Pool Sessions: TBD

**Adventure Sports, 747 E. Glenn Ave. - 334-887-8005**

**Class Begins: 1/13/2025 at 6:00 pm at Adventure Sports**

### **PREREQUISITES**

- You must have a Nationally recognized SCUBA certification card or completion of the Adventure Sports “Scuba 1” Open Water Diver course through the store or university class. All OWD dives must be completed to take this course.

### **CLASSROOM: 15-18 HOURS**

- Classes will be held at Adventure Sports every Tuesday night at 6:00 pm. The specialties involved with this course are the following:
- Navigation and compass work
- Night and limited visibility diving
- Stress and Rescue
- React right
- Deep diving
- Nitrox

### **POOL WORK: 4-6 HOURS**

We will have **TWO** pool sessions for the duration of this course. Dates are TBD. They will be on a Sunday evening and we will discuss at orientation\*

### **OPEN WATER WORK: 5-7 HOURS**

Throughout the duration of the class, REQUIRED dives for certification purposes will be made at Vortex Springs and Panama City. Each certification trip and price will be broken down at the end of the packet. Optional trips will include Panama City Day dives and other fun trips you would like to go on.

### **Costs:**

- Class fee is \$479 paid to Adventure Sports (covers all digital books and certification cards through SSI). Online books WILL NOT be turned on until this is paid!
- Rental equipment fee is \$75 (if you will need BC, regulator)
- You will need to purchase an SMB and reel, as well as FLASHLIGHT/Lights
- Trip fees (broken down at the end)

## **Grading Criteria for University Students:**

- You can take this course for the 2 hour university credit, or take it outside of Auburn and receive no credit (if you do not have room in your schedule)
- There will be tests for each specialty, as well as review/homework sections that will be completed weekly.
- You will receive a 0 in canvas if these are not completed

## **Test Make-Up Policy**

- At any point if you need to miss a test or lecture night it is REQUIRED that you have a university approved excuse. This excuse must be given or emailed BEFORE the scheduled class.
- If you do miss a class and have a university approved excuse, you have until the NEXT scheduled class to make up the test.
- All other circumstances will result in a ZERO on canvas. No exceptions.

## **EXTRA FEE's/TRIP BREAKDOWN**

### **Vortex Springs Weekend \*\*REQUIRED\*\* March 6<sup>th</sup> – March 8<sup>th</sup>**

Cost: \$160

\*\*Navigation and Stress / Rescue

### **Panama City NIGHT Dive \*\*REQUIRED\*\* April 18<sup>th</sup>**

Cost: \$200

\*\*60-80 feet for first deep dive requirement, second night dive for night dive requirement\*\*

### **Panama City Offshore Sunday Dives \*\*REQUIRED\*\* Oct. 26**

Cost: \$250

\*\* 80-100 feet, 100-120 feet deep dives\*\*

### **Vortex Springs Single Day \*\*OPTIONAL\*\* April 17<sup>th</sup>**

Cost: \$75

### **Panama City Day Dives \*OPTIONAL\* April 18<sup>th</sup>**

\$200 per boat, 7 am boat or 11 am boat

### **THE BAHAMAS (Liveboard Boat) \*OPTIONAL\* May 16<sup>th</sup> – May 22<sup>nd</sup>**

\$1405 (see shop for details)

\*\*Can obtain deep, and night diving certification on this trip

### **COZUMEL, MX: SPRING BREAK \*OPTIONAL\* March 10<sup>th</sup> – March 14<sup>th</sup>**

\$1799 (see shop for details)

\*\*Can obtain deep, and night diving certification on this trip

## **Planning on going onto the master diver course you need to UP YOUR DIVE COUNT!!**

The course outline is listed on the following page. All required trips are in red. Please note when homework is due.

<b>1/13</b>	<b>Orientation at Adventure Sports- 6:00 PM</b>
<b>1/18</b>	<b>11:59 pm- Navigation HW due</b>
<b>1/20</b>	<b>Navigation (lecture/test) Lab fees due</b>
<b>1/25</b>	<b>11:59 pm- Night and Limited Visibility HW due</b>
<b>1/27</b>	<b>Night and Limited Visibility (lecture/test)</b>
<b>2/1</b>	<b>11:59 pm- Stress and Rescue HW due</b>
<b>2/3</b>	<b>Diver Stress and Rescue (lecture/test)</b>
<b>2/8</b>	<b>11:59 pm- React Right HW due</b>
<b>2/10</b>	<b>React Right (First Aid, CPR, O2, AED)</b>
<b>2/17</b>	<b>CPR and O2 Practical- Session 1</b>
<b>2/24</b>	<b>CPR and O2 Practical- Session 2</b>
<b>3/3</b>	<b>NO CLASS</b>
<b>3/6 – 3/8</b>	<b>Vortex Springs Weekend</b>
<b>3/10</b>	<b>NO CLASS</b>
<b>3/17</b>	<b>6:00 pm- Deep Diving HW due Deep Diving (lecture)</b>
<b>3/24</b>	<b>Deep Diving (math problems/test)</b>
<b>3/29</b>	<b>11:59 pm- Nitrox HW due</b>
<b>3/31</b>	<b>Nitrox Lecture/Math/Test</b>
<b>4/7</b>	<b>Class makeup day</b>
<b>4/14 &amp; 4/15</b>	<b>Lake Martin Day 1 and 2</b>
<b>4/17</b>	<b>Vortex Springs Single Day</b>
<b>4/18</b>	<b>Panama City Day Boats and Night</b>
<b>4/19</b>	<b>Panama City 6-hour Offshore (DEEP)</b>
<b>4/21</b>	<b>Training Record Completion</b>

#### ADVANCED COURSE SCHEDULE

### Courses Covered:

Navigation  
Night/Limited Visibility  
Diver Stress and Rescue  
React Right – First Aid, CPR, O2, & AED  
Deep Diving  
Enriched Air Nitrox (40%)

### Class Policy Statements

#### Physical Activity and Wellness Program Attendance Policy

The material and experiences in this class are important and if you are not in class, you cannot take an active role as a student. Class attendance and appropriate participation is paramount to your success as a student. Participation is defined as, but not limited to, "fully engaging in the course content and activities at a level that is deemed appropriate by the instructor." Failure to appropriately participate in the course content and activities can result in a deduction of points from a student's overall course grade at the discretion of the instructor. Moreover, at the discretion of the instructor, students arriving tardy to class will lose 1% of their final grade per offense. Unexcused absences cannot be made up and will result in a 3% deduction from the student's final grade per absence. **Once a student has accrued five (5) unexcused absences he/she will not be permitted to take the final examination and will receive a grade of FA (as stipulated by the Physical Activity and Wellness Program guidelines). Moreover, students who accrue eight (8) absences (excused, unexcused and/or combination of each type) will not be permitted to take the final examination and will receive a grade of FA.**

Excused absences will be treated as follows:

- Students must provide the instructor with a valid excuse upon returning to class (refer to Auburn University's policy concerning class attendance and excused/unexcused absences): and
- Make-up work developed and assigned at the discretion of the instructor must be completed within a week of the student returning to class.

If the student fails to follow these instructions the excused absence in question will be calculated as an unexcused absence. There are times when unforeseen circumstances will not allow you to attend class. Exceptions to this policy due to extreme circumstances are only permitted with the professor's timely knowledge and approval. Arrangements to make up missed assignments and examinations due to properly authorized excused absences shall be initiated by the student within a week of the excused absence as mandated by Auburn University. Again, the format of any make-up work/assignments will be at the instructor's discretion. Finally, the instructor will address all issues concerning absences at his/her discretion. Students are encouraged to refer to Auburn University's policies concerning attendance, absences, academic honesty, and make-up work as found in the Auburn Bulletin.

#### AU BULLETIN EXCUSED ABSENCE POLICY

"Arrangement to make up missed major examinations (e.g. hour exams, midterm exams) due to properly authorized excused absences (as defined by the Tiger Cub) shall be initiated by the student within one week from the end of the period of the excused absence. Normally, a make-up exam shall occur within two weeks from the time that the student initiates arrangements for it... Instructors are expected to excuse absences for:

- Illness of the student or serious illness of a member of the student's immediate family. **The instructor may request appropriate verification.**
- The death of a member of the student's immediate family. **The instructor may request appropriate verification.**
- Trips for members of the student organizations sponsored by an academic unit, trips for University classes, and trips for participation in intercollegiate athletic events. When feasible, the student must notify the instructor prior to such absences, but in no case more than one week after the absence. **Instructors may request formal notification from appropriate University personnel to document the student's participation in such trips.**
- Religious holidays. Students are responsible for notifying the instructor in writing of anticipated absences due to their observance of such holidays.
- Subpoena for court appearance. **The instructor may request appropriate verification.**

**Academic Honesty Policy:** All portions of the Auburn University student academic honesty code (Title XII) found in the *Tiger Cub* will apply to university courses. All academic honesty violations or alleged violations of the SGA Code of Laws will be reported to the Office of the Provost, which will then refer the case to the Academic Honesty Committee.

**Disability Accommodations:** Students who need special accommodations in class, as provided by the Americans with Disabilities Act, should arrange for a confidential meeting with the instructor during office hours in the first week of classes (or as soon as possible if accommodations are needed immediately). The student must bring a copy of their Accommodations Letter and an Instructor Verification Form to the meeting. If the student does not have these forms, they should make an appointment with the Program for Students with Disabilities, 1288 Haley Center, 844-2096 (V/TT).

**Course contingency:** ***\*\*This is a dynamic Syllabus and is subject to change\*\****

If normal class and/or lab activities are disrupted due to illness, emergency, or crisis situation, the syllabus and other course plans and assignments may be modified to allow completion of the course. If this occurs, an addendum to your syllabus and/or course assignments will replace the original materials.